

CULMINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Parish Council Meeting
On TUESDAY 8th January 2019, at Culmington Village Hall
The Meeting commenced at 7pm

MINUTES

Present: Cllr Steele, Cllr Alderson, Cllr Turley, Cllr Norton, Cllr Holland, Cllr Watts, Cllr Mear, Cllr Pike, Cllr Motley, Shropshire Council plus 6 members of the public.

In Attendance: J Disley Clerk. Mr Jubb (Emergency Officer)

1.0 Apologies for Absence –: Cllr Seabrook

2.0 Declarations of Interest relating to this meeting

Members are requested to declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests they may have in matters to be considered at this meeting in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 s32 and The Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012.

3.0 Public involvement session: (Agenda Items only) Members of the public had the opportunity to voice their concerns regarding planning application **18/04815/OUT (Agenda Item 9.1)** which included overlooking existing properties, a narrow entrance/drive, a shared septic tank with no capacity to add in an additional property and being adjacent to a Grade 11 property. All members of the public had concerns regarding access onto an increasingly busy main road, particularly as the site would be opposite the small industrial site which already accommodates constant delivery vehicles as well as the general public. Seifton being part of Community cluster as sited in the application was also touched on, which had been of considerable concern to Cllr's. Cllr Motley updated the meeting with reference to a recent email confirming that Seifton did not belong to a cluster within the Culmington parish boundary.

4.0 Minutes

RESOLVED (unanimous) that the Minutes of the ordinary meeting of Culmington Parish Council held on 6th November 2018 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

Proposed: Cllr Turley

Seconded: Cllr Alderson

5.0 Matters Arising

Members were asked to receive any updates from the ordinary meeting of 6th November 2018 not included elsewhere on the agenda:

5.1 (Agenda Item 5.5) The lack of action regarding potholes, repairing the road in Seifton Batch and digging out Castle Barn ditch was discussed. Cllr Motley to forward concerns to Steve Brown. Clerk to send a list of previously reported issues.

5.2 (Agenda Item 16.0) An email reply from Lucy McFarlane was read to the meeting regarding

Portin Hollow previously being a public footpath, confirming it would be difficult to add now as a public right of way, other than approaching the current landowner and getting support for a permissive path.

6.0 Reports from Members: Cllr Motley updated Cllrs;

- On her involvement with writing a 'Rural Strategy which has been instigated by Mark Barrow (Director of Place). This coincides with Rural Services Network doing something similar which should prove useful.
- The Community Enablement Team will facilitate updating Place Plans
- Advice to Cllr's to consider whether Culmington needs to update its housing needs survey on an annual basis
- Another meeting is planned with Liz Truss from The Treasury regarding the needs of rural areas

Other Reports: None

7.0 Correspondence

- 7.1** Shropshire Council Street Works – Notices of road closures
- 7.2** Derek Owen – Active spaces – outdoor gym
- 7.3** Shropshire Council – Update on CIL (Community Infrastructure Levy)
- 7.4** Shropshire Council- Bring Banks Consultation **Clerk to complete**
- 7.5** SALC Bulletins – new pay scales, Election information, Planning letter, NALC Legal update
- 7.6** Shropshire Council – Precept Requirements for Culmington
- 7.7** West Mercia Commissioners Safer Roads Fund information
- 7.8** Western Power – Winter Resilience
- 7.9** Rural Bulletins
- 7.10** NALC – Share your opinions on small councils merging – Consultation
- 7.11** SALC – notice of Lord Lieutenant for Shropshire – Mrs Anna Turner
- 7.12** SALC – Wheelie Bin Speed Stickers
- 7.13** Shropshire Council – news on Community Enablement Team
- 7.14** NHS – Media Release on Shrewsbury and Telford Hospital Trust in special measures
- 7.15** Shropshire Council – Fostering and the Joint Adoption Service – Posters
- 7.16** Autism West Midlands – Family support news.
- 7.17** PCC – consultation on next year's budget open to January 20th
- 7.18** Shropshire's Great Outdoors newsletter

8.0 Cheques Requested:

8.1 J Disley (Clerk) Salary Oct, Nov, Dec 18 £691.86

8.2 J Williams – Tools for Footpath work £100.41

8.3 J Williams – Gravel for new Kissing gate - £68.45

8.4 Culmington Village Hall £150.00

Proposed: Cllr Turley

Seconded Cllr Mear

9.0 Planning Applications:

9.1 18/04815/OUT – Outline application for the erection of a single dwelling to include means of access. Land to the North of Seifton House, Seifton.

Cllr's discussed the application in light of the confirmation that Seifton was not part of a Community Cluster and therefore classed as 'open countryside' which would not allow for open market development. The principle objection therefore would be not conforming to policy CS5, MD7a or S7.2(2).

Further concerns were expressed in relation to the traffic on the B4365 which has been raised as a concern with the relevant authorities over the last months in particular requesting speed calming measures therefore extra vehicles turning out onto the road would be at risk. The narrow

driveway and lack of any information on drainage and the visibility splay and limited vision turning onto the road were also of concern.

Cllr's Resolved to Object to the application (unanimous)

Proposed: Cllr Holland

Seconded: Cllr Turley

9.2 18/05279/FUL – Demolition of existing double garage and erection of a new triple garage with office/playroom above accessed by external timber staircase. The Thatches, 1 Vernolds Common, Craven Arms. SY7 9LP.

Cllrs Resolved to support the application (unanimous)

Proposed: Cllr Alderson

Seconded: Cllr Turley

10.0 Finance

10.1 Current Account Balance £11,353.15

10.2 Bank Reconciliation/Check/Sign

10.3 Remittance Advice – Footpath grant £200.00

10.4 Budgets for 2019/20 – Members are asked to consider presented budget which was discussed alongside the proposed Precept figure of £3,530.00. (remaining the same as 2018/19)

10.5 Precept 2019-20 – Members are asked to discuss and approve the Precept
RESOLVED (unanimous) that the Precept figure of £3,530 be applied for 2019/20

Proposed: Cllr Pike

Seconded: Cllr Watts

11.0 Highway Maintenance: Contact Gary about outstanding issues at Burley and Seifton Batch.

Include clearing the leaves by the Bridge in Clay Lane.

Report a leak to Severn Trent – behind the Old Village Hall

Report again to Highways the ancient milestone which needs to be repaired

Inform Severn Trent of an open stop tap without a cover on the verge opposite the bus stop.

12.0 Environmental Maintenance Grant: The change to the grant was discussed, with Parish Councils now required to match fund the grant. The Clerk reported an application for £1,000.00 had been submitted.

Cllrs agreed to match fund 2018/19 grant request

Proposed: Cllr Turley

Seconded: Cllr Alderson

13.0 Severn Trent work: Cllr Alderson reported on the water problems experienced at Burley from a leaking collection tank which Severn Trent were due to fix. However, the pipes located on a triangle of ground were very shallow and could not be set any deeper, therefore someway of protecting the ground would be very useful to prevent damage in the future from vehicles driving over it. Contact Highways to discuss possible measures (possibly collapsible posts)

14.0 March meeting: Cllrs agreed to move the March meeting to Tuesday 12th March due to the Clerk being unavailable on the previously agreed date of 5th March.

15.0 Data Protection: Members discussed ongoing actions.

16.0 Flood Action Group: A drain walk had taken place in early December. Blocked drains reported to Highways. A meeting to be arranged.

17.0 Items for the next meeting (for dissemination of information only)

Concern raised on a seeming the lack of support for vulnerable people in need of care. Cllr Mear to forward a Helpline number to be published in Ripples which might be useful to residents. Other suggestions for help from Cllr Motley.

18.0 Date of next Meeting **5th February, 7pm** at Culmington Village Hall. There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.50 pm.