

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 6th February 2007 IN THE JUBILEE ROOM OF THE VILLAGE HALL

Present: Councillors: Lynette Wilcox (Chairperson), S. Mather, P.Ashman and L. Thornton (Clerk)

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Action

152/07 Open Forum

County Councillor Andrewartha reported that Sainsbury's submitted their planning application on the 1st February 2007. Also Rednock School was awarded planning permission on 31st January 2007. This permission included the wind generator which was objected to by Dursley Town Council. The target completion date is September 2009 with the demolition of the old school taking place during July/August 2009.

Cllr Andrewartha reported that The Close is scheduled for re-surfacing in the 2007/8 programme. Also there is a motion before Council to have 20mph speed limits installed outside all schools in Gloucestershire.

Cllr Andrewartha advised the Council that planning permission was given for two In Vessel Composters (IVC) in Gloucestershire, one in the Forest of Dean and the other in Sharpness. The IVC is used to convert food waste to compost quickly and hygienically. All packaging that has been contaminated by food can also be recycled by this system. This should allow SDC to plan a significant increase in recycling.

153/07 Apologies

Apologies had been received from Cllr Chalmers, Cllr Randall, Cllr Bryant and District Councillor Janet Wood.

154/07 Declarations of Interest by Councillors

None

155/07 Minutes of the meeting held on 9th January 2007 were approved and signed as a true and correct record by those present at the meeting.

156/07 Planning

The Council Considered:

- a) S.07/0117/FUL–Corner Cottage, Corner Lane – Ground floor and first floor rear extension.

Council resolved to support this application, with a comment that off road parking would be desirable.

The Council had received permission for:

a) S.06/2572/VAR – The Lanterns, The Street – Variation of condition 3 of planning permission S.06/2020/FUL for the repositioning of windows to bedroom 2.

157/07 Accounts

a) Incomes received and payments for authorization

Income:

NALC	200.00	Clerks Training Bursary
Coaley Rovers	100.00	Hire of the Recreation Field
A-Z Services	45.00	Newsletter Advertisement

Payments for authorization:

L. Thornton	322.40	Clerks Wages (January 07)
SLCC	145.00	Working with your Council Portfolio
Buckstops	212.00	Newsletter Feb/March 2007
GAPTC	60.00	Nuts and Bolts Course Cllr Ashman
L.Thornton	65.00	Editing of Feb/March Newsletter
L.Thornton	23.55	Stamps and expenses
Flash Uk	500.00	Parish Grant for Dursley Rugby Club
Data Protection	35.00	Annual Renewal

Accounts approved by Council.

158/07 Clerks Report

1. The clerk read out an invitation to Gloucestershire County Council's First seminar for Parish & Town Councils on Tuesday 6th March. Unfortunately this is the same date as the next Parish meeting, so the Clerk was instructed to request a copy of the minutes.
2. The clerk had received a letter from Dursley & District Good neighbours scheme who requested to be part of Coaley Parish Plan. The organisation provides affordable and suitable transport to and from medical appointments for the elderly and infirm. The clerk had been in touch with the secretary and explained the plan was already published but invited them to write a piece for the newsletter
3. A letter had been received from David Drew's office with a copy of his speech from the recent bill which went before cabinet. The speech was placed in the circulation envelope.
4. Richard Belliss of GAPTC retires at the end of March and the Council has been asked if they would like to contribute to his retirement gift. Cllr Wilcox requested the clerk find out the average amount being donated.
5. Golden Valley Classic M.C.C. have written to advise they will be holding an event on Sunday 4th March.
6. Cotswold Canal Area Action Plan has now been issued this was placed in the circulation envelope.

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7. A thank you letter had been received from Dursley Rugby Club, the £500 which was awarded as a Parish grant has been used to purchase tour shirts.
8. The clerk has received a training bursary of £200.00.
9. The interactive warning sign should be available from April, the location which was suggested by the Parish Council needs to be approved by highways
10. An e-mail from CoJac was placed in the circulation envelope, they advised a ticket machine has now been installed at Cam & Dursley Station.
11. A medal of Courage poster had been received by the Clerk and has been placed on the noticeboard by the shop.

159/07 Playarea

The clerk had spoken to Jane at SDC about the possibility of upgrading the playarea at Betworthy. SDC will have grants available in the near future but those Parish Councils who have identified in their Parish Plans the need for improved playarea will be given priority. Any application would need to provide exact costings, bid applications and show that consultation has taken place.

160/07 Allotment Check

Nothing to report, Hamshill and Far Green all okay.

161/07 Area of Responsibility for Cllr Ashman

This was deferred until the next meeting when more Councillors will be present.

162/07 Guest Speaker for the Annual Assembly

The clerk is to approach the Woodlands Trust who are responsible for Coaley woods, if they are unable to attend the meeting then Golden Valley M.C.C. to be contacted.

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163/07 Parish Grants

A grant application had been received for Here to Help, an organisation of the Churches in Cam. They have requested assistance to purchase a new computer. The Councillor awarded them £400.00, clerk to write to them. Coaley playgroup had also submitted a grant application; they had provided the Council with a wish list of supplies. Councillors awarded £380.00 to the playgroup. The clerk to contact them.

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164/07 Village Maintenance

Nothing to report

165/07 Highways repairs and Maintenance

Trenley road is becoming a serious hazard with the potholes, clerk to contact Cllr Randall to verify how high up the list Trenley road is and if Cllr Randall has managed to speak to Mr Portlock.

Cllr Wilcox read a letter from Mr Bazett, whose wife had an accident on Box

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road at the corner near Ford Farm, the Clerk is to write to the County Council and request more signs are placed on this corner to warn drivers of the hazard.

Cllr Wilcox had also been approached by a few parishioners concerned about the new fencing which has been erected by Mr Carter at Twyning Ash; it is thought the fence now blocks a Public Bridleway. The clerk to contact SDC to verify if this is a public right of way.

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166/07 Matters for Forward Consideration

Website – Update

Bank Accounts

Parish Grants

Richard Belliss of GAPTC

167/07 Items for press release & publicity on the website

Minutes

Date of the Next Meeting

Meeting Closed at 8.35pm