

WROCKWARDINE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 9th April 2002 at Wrockwardine Parish Hall, Wrockwardine at 8.24. p.m. (Immediately following the Annual Parish Meeting)

Present:

Cllr. - Mrs. R. Hargrave - Chairman.
Cllrs. K. J. S. Ballantyne, B.C. Brown, Mrs. M. A. Carver,
E. A. Cowling, Mrs. E.S. Jones, A. Orrell, D. Powell,
S.C. Rawlings and Mrs. J. Savage.
Mr. M. Goldstraw - Clerk

Also in attendance: Twenty seven members of the public.
Cllr. D. Blackwell and Cllr. J. Seymour (T&WC)
Press reporter (Shropshire Star)

02/62 Chairman's Remarks

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and stated that she would be taking item 13 of the agenda before item 12.

02/63 Apologies for Absence

All Members being present, there were no apologies.

02/64 Declaration of Interest

There were no new declarations made.

02/65 Minutes

Cllr. Mrs. Jones asked that the minutes be more specific in relation to the grant of £750 to St. Peter's Church Wrockwardine (02/59 Grants). It was agreed that the minutes should be amended to read : " It was **resolved that a grant of £750 be awarded for the maintenance of the Church yard**".

02/66 Matters Arising

a) Footway Lighting

The Clerk reported that T&WC solicitors were looking into the matter.

b)Wrockwardine Playing Fields

Cllr. Orrell reported that the ground was currently closed off whilst the cycle track was being built. Otherwise, the ground would be marked as soon as possible.

c) Planning Green Paper

The Clerk confirmed that the parish response had been forwarded.

d) Pot Holes

Cllr. Mrs. Jones reported that some of the requested repairs had been carried out. She stated that the repairs had been done, not well done but done.

e) Fly Tipping

Cllr. Rawlings expressed concern over the growing problem of fly tipping. He reported incidents where matters had been reported to T&WC by farmers and the farmers themselves had been asked to pay for the clearance.

Cllr. Mrs. Carver stated that she had recently reported an instance of fly tipping to the Clerk who had ensured that T&WC attended to the problem on the same day. Members agreed that problems should be reported to the Clerk and the response by T&WC monitored.

Cllr. Mrs. Jones, on behalf of Members, thanked Cllr. Brown and his wife for hosting the celebration to mark the Council's lease of Admaston Fields.

02/67 Provision of Notice Boards within the Parish

Cllr. Mrs. Jones stated that although more and more electors were attending the meetings of the Council, there were still a large number of residents who were unaware of the meetings. There being no notice board provided at the Bratton end of the parish, some form of notice provision was requested. The Clerk was asked, in the first instance, to contact St. Peter's School to see if it would be possible to place a notice on the school notice board.

Cllr. Powell drew to the attention of the meeting the fact that the notice board at the shopping parade was "around the corner and out of the way". Members agreed that, if possible, an additional notice should be placed in the Post Office.

02/68 The Golden Jubilee of H.M. The Queen

Cllr. Ballantyne gave a report on progress made. He stated that the most immediate two projects which could be achieved would be the provision of benches and planting on Admaston Green. For the planting, it was suggested that the gaps in the roadside hedge be filled. For the benches, Cllr. Ballantyne asked the Council to consider the allocation of a sum of money; he proposed the sum of £1000.00 be set aside for the provision of benches. Seconded by Cllr. Mrs. Savage, it was **resolved that £1000.00 be set aside for the provision of benches.**

[Cllr. Mrs. Carver took no part in the debate and did not vote]

Cllr. Ballantyne stated that the other matters were still in progress.

The Chairman thanked the working group for looking into jubilee matters.

02/69 Correspondence

1. Telford & Wrekin Council

(a) Conservation Officer - Details of planning requirements.

Members noted that the details and information which had been requested by the Parish Council had not been forthcoming. Cllr. Orrell agreed to look at the information which had been supplied and report back to the Council.

(b) Urban Bus User Group - minutes and agenda. Cllr. Orrell commented that the only way the parish was affected was through the Wrockwardine route and the Admaston through route.

(c) Street naming - 75 dwellings The Grange Bratton Road
The Clerk was asked to remind T&WC that a list of recommended names had already been forwarded.

(d) Boundary Committee for England - T&WC Ward changes.
Members discussed and noted the proposals.

2. OTHER CORRESPONDENCE

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| SCC | Bus User info - Cllr. Ballantyne. |
| CPRE | T&W District Group - details of the inaugural meeting of the group. Noted. |
| NT3P | Minutes and agenda - noted. |
| DEFRA | Letter from the minister Alun Michael MP assuring Parish Councils that their future was not in doubt. |
| WPCC | Letter of thanks for grant. |
| Admaston Action Group | 75 identical letters objecting to an "Admaston by-pass" running along a line south of Admaston ridge north of Aldermead Close and south of Admaston Meadows. Noted. (29 had no address of petitioner). |

02/70 Planning Matters

Applications

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| | W02/0314 | Erection of single storey extension, two storey rear extension and porch to side: Bank Farm, Wrockwardine. There were no objections. |
| floor | W02/0297 | Proposed first floor extension to existing dwelling and first playroom above garage: 18 Aldermead Close, Admaston. There were no objections. |
| | W02/0305 | Formation of a self contained residential annex over garage: Redwood House, Allscott. There were no objections. |
| | W02/0265 | Erection of a two storey side extension: The Mallows 11 Walcott. There were no objections. |
| | W02/0294 | Erection of a dwelling: Land at rear of 16 Bratton Road, Bratton. |

Members expressed concern over the possible encroachment of the existing countryside. Clerk to write to planning officer expressing concern.

Determination under part 24 of the GPDO for erection of a 15m high monopole, 1no. equipment cabin, 1no. 0.3m dish and 2no. 0.6m dishes at 12.5m, 3no. 1.7m antennas at 13.3m and development ancillary thereto: Duncote Farm Walcott. Noted.

Members noted the following permissions:

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| W02/0006 | Demolition of existing single storey rear accommodation and erection of two storey rear extension and conservatory: 15 Bratton Road, Bratton. |
| W02/0128 | Change of use of existing store to retail area and modification condition 4 of planning permission W01/0044 for the benefit of Mrs. J. Woodhall: Elephant House, Long Lane Farm, Long Lane. |
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02/71 Accounts for Payment

Receipts & Payments - It was RESOLVED - that these be approved and paid as tabled.

Statement 103 was tabled along with the reconciliation and was approved.

The clerk withdrew the request for Members to consider the purchase of "A Practitioners Guide" to the Light Touch Audit Scheme.

02/72 Members to sign the Declaration of Acceptance of Office

All Members signed their Declarations.

02/72 Reports

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| Cllr. Orrell - | Reported that he had attended the North Telford Parish Paths Partnership meeting and there were a considerable number of additions to be made to the definitive plans. In addition, he requested that the parish contacted Wellington Town Council with a view to the possible extension/creation/restoration of the railway line footpath into Wellington for use especially as a school route. Reported concerns over vehicles parking on the grass verge at Wrekin View Wrockwardine; Clerk to request action. Reported that the recently planted daffodil bulbs had successfully grown but unfortunately along the Silkin |
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Way, contractors had been instructed by T&WC to “landscape” the area. The result of the “landscaping was to crudely rip up the earth and plant trees. This had resulted in the loss of those bulbs which had been planted along the Silkin Way.

Cllr. Powell - Commented that T&WC had dumped a load of salt and grit on the garden of a resident and had failed to remove it despite being asked several times. In the end the householder had removed it himself. asked Members to note that the grit bins by the shops had been vandalised.

Cllr. Rawlings - Reported pot holes at Rushmoor Lane, lorry gone off the road leaving a gully 20 - 30 yards long which was dangerous. Reported concerns over the current development at Orchard House - the access to the site being used by contractors was little more than a hole in the hedge which constituted a dangerous sight line for entry and egress.

Cllr. Brown - Reported that the daffodils bulbs planted at the village entrance signs and those at the junction of Wrockwardine were all coming up quite well.

Cllr. Mrs. Jones - Stated that it was nice to see the daffodils, thanked
Cllrs. Brown and Orrell for their work and requested that the Council continue to plant in future years. Stated that she would be more than willing to help in the planting of future bulbs.

Reported a pot hole on the railway bridge at Duncott stating that motorists have to almost go into the middle of the road to avoid it.

Cllr. Ballantyne stated that this hole regularly appeared as a result of HGV's using the route. The middle axle does not turn and as a consequence, wears the road. Continually filling the hole was not solving the

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The Clerk was asked to make it clear that the problem would continue until something was the HGV problems in the area.

Cllr. Mrs. Jones requested that the newly requested road name (correspondence) be Gateway Drive as it is near to the Gate Inn.

Cllr. Mrs. Carver - Reported that the white line after Station Bridge had worn away - requested reinstatement.

Cllr. Mrs. Savage - Reported that some of the Wrockwardine pot holes had been repaired but that the work was poor.
Reported that some of the safety surfacing at Wrockwardine Playing Fields was beginning to come away. The clerk was asked to get immediate repairs under way. Further reported that a new gate had been put on the field and that JDM (the contractors) would need a new lock.
Reported garden overgrowing onto the road at a private dwelling in Wrockwardine (road safety considerations).
The Clerk was asked to write to the householder.

Cllr. Cowling - Reported that there were problems with the new floodlighting on the Maidens site; drivers were being dazzled.

Cllr. Mrs. Hargrave read a formal statement which stated that at the close of the meeting, it was her intention to resign from both the Chair and the Council. She wished the Parish well and thanked members who had supported her over the years.

The meeting closed at 9.28 p.m.

Signed _____
Chairman

Date _____