

WROCKWARDINE PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday
13th April 2005 at Wrockwardine Parish Hall at 7.30 p.m.**

Present:

Cllr. - K.J.S. Ballantyne - Chairman
Cllrs. C. Carver, E. A. Cowling, T. Kiernan, D. Powell and
Mrs. J. Savage..
Mr. M. Goldstraw – Clerk

Also in attendance: Three members of the public.
Cllr. D. Blackwell (Borough Member)

05/60 Chairman's remarks

The Chairman welcomed all to this the last meeting of the municipal year.

05/61 Police Report

PC McPherson was not present. Members agreed to defer the police report until later in the meeting.

05/62 Apologies for Absence

Apologies along with reasons for absence were received and accepted from Cllr. Ms. Kenny, Cllr. Dawes and Cllr. Craik. Cllr. Rawlings had forwarded advance notice that he may be late for the meeting due to business commitments. Courtesy apologies were received from Borough Councillor Miss J. Seymour.

05/63 Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

05/64 Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting held on 9th March 2005 were confirmed and signed, by the Chairman, as a true record.

Due to the confidential nature of some items to be referred to in the F&GP report Members agreed to move that item of the agenda to the end of the meeting.

05/65 Development Plan

The Chairman presented the amended draft development plan and asked Members if they had any questions. Members asked for a clause setting out the Council's policy on Grants and it was agreed that the matter should be delegated to the F&GP Committee to resolve prior to bringing the whole back to council for approval.

05/66 Report from Parish Representative on Admaston House Trust

There was no report.

Cllr. Powell stated that the Trustees had reconsidered their request for permission to erect signs on Council property and found that the original idea would not be practical. On behalf of the Trustees Cllr. Powell apologised for wasting Parish Council time. The apology was accepted.

05/67 Proposed Play Area

The Chairman gave a report on a meeting of the steering group. Cllr. Mrs. Savage expressed concerns that both pieces of land in Admaston could be legally used for such play provision. The Chairman agreed to ask Mr. Owen to investigate any legal clauses which might prevent such usage.

05/68 Proposed redevelopment of Community Facilities

There was nothing to report.

05/69 Possible adoption of Admaston Bus Shelter

The Clerk asked Members to consider the adoption of the bus shelter at Admaston explaining that the Borough had not been able to demonstrate effective or economic maintenance of the shelter and it was the only one remaining in the parish which was not adopted.

RESOLVED to adopt the Bus Shelter in Admaston if the Borough will permit.

05/70 Traffic and Transport Matters

a) Shawbirch Road

Members were concerned that the project had not appeared to be successful. The zebra crossing had yet to be seen and the chicane had been found to be so unsuccessful and unpopular (even dangerous) that it had, within days of its placement, been removed. The Clerk was asked to inform the Borough that the Parish was most dissatisfied with the way the project had been handled and that it did not expect the cost of the failed chicane to be taken out of the original budget and that it expected the project to be reconsidered and the zebra crossing to be completed soonest.

8.13 p.m. Cllr. Rawlings joined the meeting.

b) Meeting with Keith Harris (BT&W)

Members received a report from the Chairman and Clerk on the meeting held with officers of the Borough to discuss the wider traffic and transport issues in the Parish. Mr. Harris had agreed to look at HGV's within the Parish and try to find a cost effective solution.

05/71 Parish Improvements

a) Finger posts

The Clerk reported that Mr. Cowley had begun cleaning the posts and would be providing a report on all.

b) Awards For All grant – Wrockwardine Playing Field.

There was no progress to report.

c) Wallcot Playground.

There was nothing to report.

d) Lighting Dulwich Grange

It was resolved to adopt the lights in Dulwich Grange if they were offered to the Parish.

05/72 Annual Parish Meeting - Venue etc.

The meeting noted that the Annual Parish Meeting would be held at Wrockwardine Parish Hall at 7.30 p.m. on Thursday May 12th.

05/73 Correspondence

1. Correspondence requiring a decision

Admaston House Trust	Proposed development. The Clerk was asked to respond stating that there is no policy, Council simply wish to discuss a proposal.
BT&WC	School Governance. Noted.
BT&W	Local Transport workshop 12 th May
Int. Tree Foundation	Corporate woodland Admaston – the Clerk was asked to invite the author of the letter to the APM.
Mr. A. Orrell	Parish Improvements – Chairman to respond.

2. Correspondence not requiring a decision

SALC _ WAC	Meeting report – noted.
BT&W	Walkabout Wrekin
Wrockwardine PCC	Thanks for grant.
CPRE	Countryside Voice – noted.
CPRE	Fieldwork newsletter – noted.
CPRE	Annual Report – noted.

05/74 Planning Matters

The following application was considered:

- To consider the following applications:

W05/0330 (full)	Change of use from Dwelling to Bed and Breakfast Dovecote Grange Bratton. There were no objections.
W05/0329 (outline)	Demolition of existing shed, erection of agricultural shed, 3no poly tunnels and glasshouse. Land at Rushmoor. Members expressed concerns over access and egress along with a possible increase in traffic to the site.
W05/0334 (full)	Conversion of bungalow into dormer dwelling with double garage. Ennerdale Allscott. There were no objections.
W05/0350 (full)	Proposed side extension to rebuild garage with bedroom

over and playroom to rear 6 Whiteways Drive Bratton. There were no objections.

- W05/0351 (full) Erection of conservatory to rear 62 Brandon Avenue Admaston. There were no objections.
- W05/0240 (full) Erection of first floor extension 6 Spa Crescent. There were no objections.
- W05/0269 (full) Erection of two storey extension to rear 11 Woodford Green. There were no objections.
- W05/0277 (full) Erection of a first floor extension to detached garage Underhill 14 Charlton. There were no objections.

Permissions

1. The following permissions were received::
 - W05/0166 Erection of conservatory to rear 18 Aldermead Close
 - W04/1495 Conversion of existing barn to holiday let Barn at Wrekin Farm Cluddley.
 - W05/0159 Erection of a replacement garage and carport at 40 and a replacement garage at 42 – 40 and 42 Station Road Admaston.
 - W05/0115 Erection of two storey rear extension Rodwin Allscott.

Refusals

The following refusal was received:

- W05/0075 Erection of a detached dwelling and garage and formation of a new vehicular access Land at Rushmoor Lane.

05/75 Accounts for Payment

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

Members noted and approved the additional payment to Cllr. Ballantyne in the sum of £33.34 for postage.

Statement 138 was tabled along with the reconciliation and was approved.

Appointment of Internal Auditor. Members resolved to appoint Mr. John Nichols as Internal Auditor for the next audit.

05/76 Press Statement

The press statement was delegated to the Chairman.

Cllr. Mrs. Savage asked if the Clerk could write to the post office to inform

them that the residents of Wrockwardine were not at all happy with the present early collection time of mid day.

05/77 Next Meeting

The Chairman reminded members that the next meeting of the Council was scheduled Wednesday, 11th May 2005 to commence at 7.30 p.m. at Admaston House – this was to be the Annual General Meeting of Council.

RESOLVED That under section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and accredited representatives of newspapers be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act by virtue of the paragraph specified against the item.

05/78 Finance & General Purposes Committee

It was RESOLVED that: that Council becomes a member of the Local Government Pension Scheme as administered by Shropshire County Council and that makes its statutory contributions to all employees Membership of that scheme as and when any employee joins the scheme and that the Committee should further recommend to Council that the gratuity due to the Clerk [Mr. Goldstraw] which should have been set aside in the sum of £xxxxxxx be vired from reserves and put at the Clerks disposal for the purposes of securing an enhanced pension contribution for himself.

05/79 Chairman's Closing Remarks

Cllr. Blackwell commented on the Draft development Plan.
The Chairman thanked all for attending.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.42 p.m.

Signed _____
Chairman

Date _____