

## **WROCKWARDINE PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday  
8<sup>th</sup> February 2006 at Admaston House at 7.00 p.m.**

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**Present:**

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

**Also in attendance:** One member of the public.  
Robin Griffiths and Guy Maxfield

**05/232 Chairman's remarks**

The Chairman welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending early. He explained that the meeting had been called early to allow Robin Griffiths and Guy Maxfield to present their long term proposals for Barrats Field.

**05/233 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Cllr. Craik.  
Courtesy apologies were received from Cllrs. Blackwell and Miss Seymour (Borough Councillors).

Members welcomed Cllr. Cowling to the meeting and hoped that he was recovering well.

**05/234 Declaration of Interest**

There were no declarations made.

**05/235 Long term proposals for Barrats Field**

Robin Griffiths and Guy Maxfield presented the long term proposals for Duncote Farm Walcott to Council and answered questions put to them by members.

***7.13 p.m. Cllr. Powell joined the meeting***

The Chairman asked the representatives to explain why there had been segmented applications made for what was in effect an overall scheme. The reply was that Mr. Griffiths had been advised by Borough planning officers to deal with the application in such a way.

***7.18 p.m. Cllr. Blackwell joined the meeting***

The representatives gave the reasons for choosing that particular site and outlined their future business plans. Assurances were given over the routes taken by the vehicles involved in servicing the site.

The representatives stated that there would most likely be an additional unit

next year followed by another the year after and then (as far as was envisaged) there would be no more.

Members heard details of the general business plan and the commercial pricing of potatoes, market forces and competitive pricing which was driving the Griffiths need to be competitive and act now to develop the potential of the site.

Cllr. Ballantyne thanked the representatives for attending and asked them if they would be kind enough to provide details of vehicle movements as and when they had them.

**05/236 Police Report**

PC McPherson had forwarded her apologies to the meeting.

Cllr. Ballantyne presented the police report on behalf of PC McPherson.

Members discussed policing matters.

**05/237 Minutes**

**The Minutes of the meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> January 2006 were confirmed and signed, by the Chairman, as a true record.**

**05/238 Finance & General Purposes Committee**

Cllr. Cowling presented the minutes of the meeting to Council and they were accepted and noted.

**05/239 Admaston House**

**a) Report from Parish Representative on Admaston House Trust**

There was no report.

**05/240 Liaison Group Leaton Quarry**

Members were reminded by the Chairman that it had been informally agreed at a previous meeting with representatives from the quarry that a liaison group should be formed between the parish council and the quarry management for the benefit of the community.

Cllr. Mrs. Savage proposed that such a liaison group be formed; seconded by Cllr. Carver it was RESOLVED.

The Chairman proposed that the membership of the group should be the Chairman and Vice Chairman, Cllr. Mrs. Savage, Cllr. Carver and the Clerk.

Cllr. Carver declared an interest. The Chairman stated that the nature and conduct of the group was restricted to gathering information and would not have delegated powers. The proposal was seconded by Cllr. Cowling and it was RESOLVED.

**05/241 Traffic and Transport Matters**

**a) Traffic calming Shawbirch Road and Station Road Zebra Crossing.**

The Clerk informed the meeting that Mr. Roderick had replied to requests for clarification as to the project funding by stating that the cost of the aborted portion of the project now meant that there were no more funds available and the project was at an end.

The Chairman stated that the Clerk had responded to Mr. Roderick informing him that the aborted scheme was neither asked for by the parish council nor wanted by the parish council and it was an affront to imagine that a scheme that was imposed upon us should be paid for out of funds set aside by English Partnerships to assist the parish in solving traffic problems when this scheme did absolutely nothing.

Members discussed the abortive chicane and it was made clear that its removal was ordered by John Charles.

**b) Parish wide traffic matters.**

Members received a written report from Cllr. Craik detailing his attendance at the LTP2 meeting. Cllr, Craik was thanked for his report.

Cllr. Blackwell responded to the comments made by Mr. Roderick stating that Carl Longland undertook to get Neil (Roderick) to respond [members agreed that he had now responded but that his response was not acceptable].

Cllr. Blackwell asked what the future was to be and suggested that they could at least come back to tidy up.

Cllr. Blackwell reported meeting with Mr. Evans and Mr. Frater where he had been informed that there would be more investment in Merideth Evan's department which covers planning and highways.

Cllr. Carver asked the Clerk to once more report to the Borough the terrible state of Blacksmiths Lane.

Members reported a number of highway maintenance matters.

**05/242 Parish Improvements**

a) Lighting in the Parish.

The Clerk reported that the Borough were adamant that the lamps in Dulwich Grange were not to be handed over to the parish. Cllr. Blackwell passed to the parish the lighting specification from which he had received from the Borough Lighting Engineer Gordon Little. The document outlined the differences between Highway Lighting and footway lighting.

b) Admaston Bus shelter adoption.

The Chairman informed the meeting that Trevor Turner had been expected to attend the meeting with the legal documents assigning the shelter to the Parish Council. In the confident expectation that Mr. Turner would arrive he put the matter back to be dealt with later in the meeting.

Members gave their permission for a helicopter to land on parish council land after receiving assurances that all safety procedures, supervision and public liability insurance were in place.

**8.18 p.m. Cllr. Powell left the meeting**

c) Renewal of present annual contract for grass cutting

***Cllr. Rawlings took no part in this item of business***

Proposed by Cllr. Mrs Savage that the contract for grass cutting within the parish by the present contractor be renewed; seconded by Cllr. Cowling it was RESOLVED.

**05/243 North Telford Parish Paths Partnership**

Cllr. Rawlings informed the meeting that the NTP3 partnership were seeking a contribution of £1370.00 from Wrockwardine Parish Council for the next funding year. This represented a 1.5% increase over and above inflation. Following discussion the proposition was seconded by Cllr. Kiernan and it was RESOLVED.

Cllr. Carver proposed that the required sum be vired from reserves; seconded by Cllr. Mrs. Savage it was RESOLVED.

**05/244 Correspondence**

**1. Correspondence requiring a decision**

Oakengates TC	Christmas tree lights – notification that Oakengates Town Council proposed to object to the Borough’s new policy on the removal of Christmas tree decorations following the end of the festive season because it would prove to be prohibitively expensive. Council noted the view of OTC but felt that the Borough policy was unlikely to affect WPC because, in the event that it did have Christmas decorations, it would not contract the Borough to install and remove them but would use the existing lighting contractor.
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**8.31 p.m. Mr. Turner (T&WBC) joined the meeting**

With the approval of Council the Chairman and Clerk signed and sealed the legal document transferring the bricks and mortar only of the Admaston bus shelter to the Parish Council.

**8.36 p.m. Mr. Turner left the meeting.**

BT&W	Rescheduled meeting from 8 <sup>th</sup> March to 29 <sup>th</sup> March ?? Noted.
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A. Orrell	Local Transport Plan/LDF – members asked the Clerk to respond according to the policy of
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BT&W	Council. Copy of response to letter from Mr. Orrell. Noted.
SCC	Progress Salop CC Local Transport Plan. Noted.
WAC SAPTC	Minutes and Agenda – noted.
Little Chicks	Request for release of grant funding – the Clerk informed the meeting that the cheque was before them for signing.
WM Police Auth	Restructuring report – noted.
SCC	Pensions Policy – the meeting agreed to pass this to the F&GP Committee for a recommendation.
SALC	Open invitation to a meeting – Cllrs. Kiernan and Dawes to attend.

## **2. Correspondence not requiring a decision**

CPRE	Shropshire Landscapes Magazine – Cllr. Rawlings
SALC	Parish Pump and enc.

## **05/245 Planning Matters**

Cllrs Ballantyne declared an interest in planning application W06/1419

### **Applications**

#### **The following application was considered:**

W06/0015	Erection of storage shed Rushmoor Sewerage Works Rushmoor Lane. There were no objections.
W06/0032	Erection of 2 storey extension Dove Cottage 3 Drummery Lane. There were no objections.
W06/0028	Erection of 2 storey extension Dove Cottage 3 Drummery Lane (Conservation area). There were no objections.
W06/0042	Erection of single dwelling and double garage Land adjacent Orchard Cottage Elmsdale Crescent. Members expressed concern over a footpath running through the paddock; Cllr. Rawlings outlined the concerns to members. The footpath being part of the safe routes to schools members were concerned that the proposed development would create difficulties.  Members were aware that there had previously been a refusal for two houses on the site. Clerk to convey the concerns to the Borough.
W06/0060	Conversion of barns to form five dwellings Burcot Brockton. Members resolved to reiterate the previous concerns.

[Cllr. Carver and Cllr. Mrs. Savage took no part in this discussion]

***Cllrs. Ballantyne and Cowling left the room. Cllr. Rawlings took the Chair for the next item of business.***

W06/1419 Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of five dwellings (Amended Plans)  
21 Bratton Road Bratton. There were no objections.

***Cllrs. Ballantyne and Cowling rejoined the meeting. Cllr. Ballantyne took the Chair.***

**Permissions**

**The following permissions were received:**

W06/0905 Erection of concrete batching plant and ancilliary development  
Leaton Quarry.

W06/1508 Proposed underground effluent tank Barats Field Duncote Farm  
Walcot.

**Refusal**

There were no refusals.

**05/246 Accounts for Payment**

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

**Statement 149** was tabled along with the reconciliation and was approved.

**05/247 Press Statement**

The press statement was delegated to the Chairman.

**05/248 Next Meeting**

The Chairman reminded members that the next meeting of the Council was scheduled Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2006 to commence at 7.30 p.m. at Wrockwardine Parish Hall.

**05/249 Chairman's Closing Remarks**

The Chairman thanked all for attending.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.32 p.m.

***Signed*** \_\_\_\_\_  
***Chairman***

***Date*** \_\_\_\_\_