

WROCKWARDINE PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 14th January 2009 at
Admaston House at 7.30 p.m.**

Present:

Cllr. – S.C. Rawlings - Chairman
Cllrs. E. Dawes, Mrs Nadine Evans, T. Kiernan, D. Powell,
Mrs Jo Savage and Mrs Sheila Turner.
Mr. M. Goldstraw – Clerk

Also Present: Mr A. Orrell, Caroline Oaks (T&WC), CSO Suzy Coombs and
PC Judith McPherson.

08/132 Chairman's opening remarks

The Chairman welcomed all to the first meeting of 2009, wished all a happy new year and thanked them for attending on such a cold evening.

08/133 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr. K.J.S. Ballantyne and Cllr. Mrs E. Ballantyne.

The meeting recorded that Cllr. Craik was not in attendance because he was representing Council at a West Mercia Police consultation meeting.

Courtesy apologies were received from Borough Councillor Miss Seymour.

08/134 Police Report

PC McPherson gave the police report. Members discussed policing matters and the officers answered questions.

7.35p.m. PC McPherson and CSO Coombs left the meeting after being thanked by the Chairman.

08/135 Parish Plans

The meeting received a presentation from Caroline Oaks on the preparation and production of Parish Plans.

The meeting briefly discussed the Parish Charter and it was agreed that, because not all members had received full details of the draft, the matter would be deferred to allow the Borough to resend the relevant details to the Clerk who would then circulate the draft to members.

8.08 p.m. Mrs Oaks left the meeting after being thanked by the Chairman.

08/136 Public Session

No matters were raised.

08/137 Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations.

08/138 Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting held on 10th December 2008 were confirmed and signed, by the Chairman, as a true record.

08/139 Street Signs

The Clerk reported that he was still awaiting clarification of the names of some signs prior to placing the order.

08/140 Rural Matters

a) Parish Plans

The meeting discussed Parish Plans along with the possibility of forming a steering group to begin the process. It was agreed that Council ought to be working towards producing a Parish Plan and that the intention should be communicated to residents via the Annual Parish Meeting and publicised in the proposed parish magazine.

b) Parish Forum

Cllr. Kiernan presented a report on his attendance at the Parish Forum. The meeting noted that the next Forum meeting was to be on the 21st January.

08/141 Traffic Matters

The Clerk reported that the Borough had not yet communicated to the Parish any findings following its traffic survey of the B4394 from Admaston to the Borough border.

Cllr. Kiernan reported that the Borough had reinstated the white hatching as requested at an earlier meeting of council.

Cllr. Dawes asked Cllr. Kiernan if a sign previously sited at the Cross Roads but now missing could be reinstated. Cllr. Kiernan agreed to look into the matter on behalf of the Borough.

The Clerk informed the meeting that, although no notice had been received by the Parish Council, the Borough had placed a public notice in the press notifying the impending temporary closure of Drummery Lane to allow resurfacing and drainage work to take place.

Cllr. Kiernan reported that the Borough had promised to undertake remedial work on the poor drainage at Blacksmiths Lane but anticipated that it would be a major undertaking. The meeting discussed drainage in Allscott and the problem of traffic eroding verges on rural roads.

08/142 Code of Conduct – Member's Indemnity

There was nothing to report.

08/143 Admaston House Trust

- a) Report from Parish Representative.
Cllr. Sheila Turner gave a report of the Trustees meeting.

08/144 Parish Improvements

- a) Adoption of red telephone kiosk Alscott
There was no progress to report.

- b) Play Areas

The meeting was informed that the intention to transfer the two sites, Burnell Road and Walcott, from the Borough to the Parish would be publicly advertised prior to the process moving further forward. It was reported that the Borough would, subject to the public notice, agree to transfer the land to the Parish on a 25 year lease.

The meeting discussed possible grant funding to equip the two sites.

Cllr. Nadine Evans brought to the attention of the meeting portions of land in Allscott, presently thought to be in the ownership of the Borough, which the parish might endeavour to acquire as public open space. Cllr. Evans agreed to look into the matter further.

- c) Lighting Wrockwardine

Following reports from the Chairman and Cllr. Kiernan, it was agreed that the Majority of residents in the village did not favour additional lighting; it was therefore resolved to take no action on the provision of additional lighting for the area of Wrekin View. It was further agreed that the provision/reinstatement of lighting in the vicinity of Blacksmiths Lane should be left in abeyance for the time being.

08/145 Parish Magazine and its distribution

Members agreed that a provisional four page A4 newsletter should be produced and that it should include reference to the intention of Council to produce a parish plan; members agreed to submit any copy to the Clerk before the end of February.

08/146 Correspondence

1. Correspondence requiring a decision

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| St. Peters PCC | Request for grant assistance – Resolved to defer to March. |
| T&WC | Play Builder Funding Programme – Resolved to request that officers of the Borough attend to outline the programme. |

2. Correspondence not requiring a decision

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| Bank of Scotland | Confirmation of stopped cheque; no fee. |
| Gvt. | Code of Conduct local authority publicity. |
| Police | Your Police Service 2009 and beyond. |

T&WC	Working in Partnership (Cluster Agencies?)
T&WC	Bus User Group Minutes.
Env. Agency	Flood Leaflets

08/147 Planning Matters

The following planning matters were placed before the meeting:

Applications

W08/1353 Removal of condition 7 from planning permission restricting use to A J Maiden & Son only Maiden's of Telford Cross Green. Following discussion it was resolved that as the restriction must have been imposed for good reason, Wrockwardine Parish Council would ask that the Borough examines the initial reason for the implication of this condition and considers what impact its removal would have on the operation of the site. The meeting felt that it would not be content to see any condition removed if it had any adverse impact on the area. The meeting had concerns over any possible increase in usage on the site and the possibility that extended usage may be made by any new hauliers who may not be aware of the existing restrictions especially operating hours. There was some concern that the site had been the subject of a number of complaints and this had been ignored in the application.

W09/0014 Erection of chicken pen following demolition of existing chicken pen; The Farm Charlton. There were no objections.

Permissions

W08/1129 Erection of two storey extension to rear The Ranch Rushmoor.

W08/0859 Placement of soil and overburden etc Leaton Quarry.

W08/1142 Installation of 2 cess pools The Cherry Trees Charlton.

Refusals

No refusals were received.

The meeting received notice of an appeal against refusal for conversion of existing garage and increase roof height to accommodate two one bed dwellings with parking spaces 7 Rushmoor.

The meeting received notice of an appeal against refusal for the erection of a two storey dwelling house and garage Land at Church Farm Wrockwardine.

08/148 Accounts for Payment

The meeting noted the following additional payment:

Cheque 010236 Andre Evans (bus shelter cleaning) £60.00

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

Statement 22 was tabled along with the reconciliation and was approved.

08/149 Press Statement

The Clerk agreed to send details of the meeting to the press.

08/150 Chairman's Closing Remarks

The Chairman thanked all for attending the meeting.

08/151 Next Meeting

Members were reminded that the next meeting of the Council was to be on Wednesday 11th February 2009 to commence at 7.30 p.m. at Wrockwardine Parish Hall.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.16 p.m.

Signed _____
Chairman

Date _____