

WROCKWARDINE PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday
14th July 2004 at Wrockwardine Parish Hall at 7.30 p.m.**

Present:

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

Also in attendance: Four members of the public.
Cllr. Miss J. Seymour (Borough Councillor)

04/115 Chairman's remarks

The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting.

04/116 Police Report

The Meeting received apologies from PC McPherson who was on operational duty.

04/117 Apologies for Absence

Apology for absence along with reason was received and accepted from Cllr. D. Powell.
Courtesy apologies were received from Cllr. D. Blackwell (Borough Cllr.)

04/118 Declaration of Interest

Cllrs. Carver and Mrs. Savage informed the meeting that for personal reasons they would not participate in any debates or vote on the matter of the future of the portion of the Wrekin currently for sale.

04/119 Vacancy in the Office of Parish Councillor

The Clerk informed the meeting that Council had received one application to date although the application process for co-option remained open until August 23rd.

Cllr. Craik joined the meeting at 7.38 p.m.

04/120 Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting held on 9th June 2004 were confirmed and signed, by the Chairman, as a true record.

04/121 Finance & General Purposes Committee

a) The minutes of the meeting held on 9th June were received.
Members agreed that where possible F&GP meetings should alternate between venues as the main meeting does.

b) Cllr. Cowling explained the proposed budget to the meeting. The Chairman

reminded members that it was not the purpose of the meeting to set a budget that evening and the details tabled by the F&GP Committee were for Members to study and allow them to think ahead ready for the setting of the budget/precept discussion in September.

Cllr. Cowling asked if Members had any questions – there were none.

c) Development Plan

The Chairman asked Members to note that the F&GP Committee had identified the need for such a plan.

d) Admaston House

Cllr. Cowling expanded upon Minute 33 F&GP Committee “Request for grant aid from Admaston House Trust.

The F&GP Committee had recommended that the first scheme put by the Trust be not considered. This recommendation was endorsed by Council and it was **RESOLVED** that the first scheme (application) be not considered.

Members looked in detail at the application for funding by the Trust set out in the second scheme. Some concern was expressed as to the future of the House in light of a letter received from Cllr. Powell.

Members discussed the application in detail.

Members agreed to further discuss the application for funding under the (later) agenda item of grants.

04/122 Report from Parish Representative on Admaston House Trust

Cllr. Craik gave a report on the AGM of the Trust and (in referring to Cllr. Powell’s letter) stated that he had no impression that the Trust would fail, it being well supported by user groups and the user survey of the House being encouraging.

Members further discussed the application for funding by the Trust and Cllr. Cowling stated that he hoped the Trust realised that the Parish council did not have a bucket with a hole in the bottom. Cllr. Craik said that he would be happy to pass on Cllr. Cowling’s comments to the Trust.

Cllr. Rawlings referred to Cllr. Powell’s letter and stated that he did not feel it was Cllr. Powell’s intention to give the impression that the Trust would fail upon the demise of the few elderly volunteers, but had intended to focus the minds of other House users to gain extra assistance.

The Clerk was asked to reply to Cllr. Powell’s letter.

04/123 Traffic and Transport Matters

a) Shawbirch Road

The Clerk gave members details of the proposed works and time table accepted by Mr. Roderick.

04/124 Parish Improvements

a) Engraving of stones Admaston Green and Longyard Meadow
Stone mason has the work instructions in hand – Clerk to chase.

04/128 Planning Matters

Notice of a request to extinguish footpath 14 at Rushmoor Lane

Mr. King (Footpath Officer) had not forwarded a map with this correspondence. It was agreed to request the map and to tell Mr. King that no comment could be forwarded until the map had been studied.

The following applications were considered:

- W04/ 0800 Conversion of Smithy Shop to a one bedroom dwelling Wrockwardine and W04/0801 Listed Building Consent for above. Some concern was expressed that the drawings which represented the existing structure was not accurate. The Clerk was asked to contact the Planning Officer to ensure that the officer makes a site visit to ensure that the plans accurately represent what is on the ground.
- W04/0722 Erection of detached bungalow and alteration to vehicular access Land adjacent to 28 Shawbirch Road. RESOLVED to object – the road is already to capacity (refer the planning officer to the necessity to carry out traffic calming currently in progress) and further development would exacerbate the already existing problems.
- W04/0677 Tree Works Four Seasons Allscott. No objections.
- W04/0668 Erection of external staircase Orleton Hall Wellington. No objections.
- W04/0669 Listed Building Consent for above. No objections.

The following Permissions were noted.

- W04/0539 Retention of existing building as storage and carport erection of Tack/Feed Room Broadacre House Charlton
- W04/0498 Erection of detached garage 50 Crowdale Road
- W04/0544 Erection of single storey side and rear extension Lawn Farm Rushmoor
- W04/0500 Conservatory to side 21 Allscott
- W04/0471 Conservatory to rear 4 Brandon Avenue

04/129 Accounts for Payment

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

Statement 130 was tabled along with the reconciliation and was approved.

Internal Auditors Report

The Clerk presented to the meeting the report of the Internal Auditor.

Cllr. Ballantyne on behalf of Council thanked the Clerk for steering Council

through the audit stating that it was an excellent report.

Members discussed the way in which they would deal with their declarations of interest.

The Clerk was asked to thank the Internal Auditor and inform him that Council had noted his comments.

04/130 Grants

The following Grants were considered:

Shropshire & Mid Wales Hospice

Cllr. Cowling proposed that a grant of £1000 be made. Seconded by Cllr.

Ballantyne it was RESOLVED that a grant of £1000 be made. [There were two abstentions]

1st Admaston Guide Unit

Cllr. Rawlings proposed that a grant of £100 be made. Seconded by Cllr.

Kiernan it was RESOLVED that a grant of £100 be made.

Wrockwardine Parish Hall

Cllr. Craik proposed that a grant of £250 be made. Seconded by Cllr. Cowling it was RESOLVED that a grant of £250 be made.

St. Peter PCC

RESOLVED to defer the consideration until the next grant meeting in March.

Admaston House

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

Cllr. Cowling proposed that a grant of £1000 be made towards the second scheme put to Council. Seconded by Cllr. Rawlings it was RESOLVED that a grant of £1000 be made towards the second scheme put to Council.

04/131 Press Statement

Delegated to the Clerk and Chairman.

04/132 Next Meeting

The Chairman reminded members that the next meeting of the Council was scheduled Wednesday, 8th September 2004 to commence at **7.30 p.m.** at Admaston House.

SCHEDULE 12A LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

RESOLVED that the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the remaining item of business which is confidential and may disclose exempt information

04/133 Cllr. Ballantyne reported that although correspondence had been exchanged there was no substantive progress to report.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10.19 p.m.

Signed _____
Chairman

Date _____