

WROCKWARDINE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 11th November 2009 at Wrockwardine Parish Hall at 7.30 p.m.

Present:

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

Also present: Three members of the public.

09/114 Chairman's opening remarks

The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting.

09/115 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr. Mrs. E. Ballantyne. The meeting received courtesy apologies from Borough Councillor Miss J. Seymour.

09/116 Police Report

PC McPherson not being present the Chairman deferred this item of business.

09/117 Public Session

No public session was requested.

09/118 Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

09/119 Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting held on 14th October 2009 were confirmed and signed, by the Chairman, as a true record.

7:34 p.m. PC Judith McPherson joined the meeting

09/120 Police Session

PC McPherson presented the police report to the meeting and answered questions.

Concerns were raised over tractors being driven inconsiderately in the rural areas of the parish. PC McPherson urged that all incidents be reported to the police at the time they happen.

The Clerk reported to Council that the recently acquired street Station Road (Wrockwardine) sign had been damaged in a road traffic collision and although the matter had been reported to the police there had been no report of

the incident so it had not been possible to invoice the person responsible with the cost of the damage and replacement.

7:43 p.m. PC McPherson left the meeting after being thanked for her attendance.

09/121 Budget 2010/2011

The Clerk tabled a draft budget (which had previously been circulated to members) for discussion.

Cllr. Craik proposed that the budget be accepted as tabled; seconded by Cllr. Ballantyne it was RESOLVED that the budget be accepted as tabled.

The meeting discussed the precept for the forthcoming year. Cllr. Kiernan proposed that a precept of £45'000 be raised; seconded by Cllr. Powell it was RESOLVED that a precept of £45'000 be raised for the forthcoming year.

The meeting thanked the Clerk for his preparation of the budget.

09/122 Quarry Liaison Report

The Chairman gave a report on the quarry liaison meeting and stated that the community had asked for improved notice of liaison meetings; those who wished to go on a mailing list were asked to contact the Clerk. Cllr. Mrs Savage asked if consideration could be given to a future meeting being held in the village hall to facilitate easier attendance.

09/123 Rural Matters

Damaged sign

The Clerk was instructed to order a replacement Station Road sign. The meeting agreed that it should be placed on the opposite side of the road where it was hoped it would be less vulnerable to road traffic collisions.

Provision of footpath adjacent to The Gate Inn Bratton

The meeting discussed the possible provision (funded by a rural initiative) of a footpath adjacent to the Gate Inn at Bratton. It was agreed that this would be of benefit (for safety) to the wider parish and the Clerk was asked to confirm to the Borough that Council formally requested that such a provision be considered as a safety benefit to the wider community.

Bridleway – Silkin Way

The Clerk reported that there had been no response from the Borough to the request for information as to the authority behind the making of a Bridleway on a portion of the Silkin Way. The Clerk was asked to report the lack of response to Borough Members and request their assistance.

09/124 Traffic Matters

The Clerk reported that the requested traffic statistics had still not been received. The Clerk was asked to report the lack of response to Borough Members and request their assistance.

09/125 Street Lights

The Clerk confirmed that no alternative quote had been received but that he understood that the matter was in hand. The meeting agreed to give the contractors until the December meeting before a decision was made.

09/126 Admaston House Trust

Cllr. Powell gave a report on the Admaston House building programme and gave details of the forthcoming Christmas Fair.

09/127 Parish Improvements

a) Provision of Allotments

The Clerk reported that, disappointedly, the Borough had not yet sent a draft lease. The Clerk was asked to report the lack of response to Borough Members and request their assistance.

b) Playgrounds at Walcot and Burnell Road/Pemberton Road.

The meeting received a report that the Borough had complied with the request from the Parish to provide a safe fence on the border of the playground at Walcot to ensure access could not be gained to the railway line from the site.

Whilst the meeting expressed some disappointment that the fence had not extended the whole length of the Borough's border with the rail line, it was agreed that the Borough had met the safety concerns of the Parish Council and it was RESOLVED to authorise the Chairman and Clerk to sign the leases for the two playgrounds on behalf of Council.

The Clerk was asked to order appropriate ownership/safety signs for the two playgrounds.

c) Daffodil Bulbs

The Chairman was asked to liaise with Borough Officers for the provision of Bulbs for the Parish.

The meeting heard that Borough Officers had successfully sourced a number of fruit trees for the (proposed) allotment ground.

e) Finger Posts

The Clerk was asked to attend to the damaged finger post at Wrockwardine Smithy.

09/128 Newsletter

The Clerk reminded the meeting that copy was required by the end of November with a view to publishing a newsletter for January delivery.

09/129 Correspondence

1. Correspondence requiring a decision

T&WC

SIDS Programme – Resolved to take no action.

2. Correspondence not requiring a decision

T&WC	Walkabout Wrekin Leaflet – circulated.
T&W CVS	Newslines – noted.
M. Pritchard MP	PRH – Letter of thanks for support response.
CPRE	Voice magazine – Cllr Mrs Savage.

09/130 Planning Matters

8:42 p.m. Cllr. Craik left the meeting.

Sugar Beet Factory Site.

The Chairman asked the meeting to consider the proposition that:

"The Wrockwardine Parish Council, representative of its inhabitants, is deeply concerned over the future use of the former sugar beet factory site at Allscott, and of the implications arising from any development upon the site from traffic generation and flow, design, drainage, ecology and the wider environmental impact.

The Parish Council has grave and well founded reservations concerning the timing, quality and effectiveness of previous consultation processes conducted by the Telford & Wrekin Borough Council upon matters within the Parish Council's area. It therefore requests the Borough Council to meaningfully inform, involve and engage the Parish Council in any development enquiries, proposals and/or plans in connection with the site which may be put to the Borough Council, whether formally or otherwise, at the earliest opportunity and thereafter to continue to meaningfully inform, involve and engage the Parish Council in the entire process as it unfolds so that the Parish Council might seek to ensure that the best interests of its inhabitants are properly represented."

The meeting considered a written response received from Borough Councillor Miss Seymour.

8:44 p.m. Cllr. Craik rejoined the meeting

Following discussion the Chairman requested that the proposition be accepted; seconded by Cllr. Ballantyne it was RESOLVED.

[There were two abstentions]

Applications

The following applications were received:

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| W09/0863 | Demolition of lean to and flat roof extension; Dove Cottage 3 Drummery Lane (Conservation). There were no objections. |
| W09/0882 | Retrospective application for conservatory to rear; Field View Wellington Road Admaston. There were no objections. |

- W09/0851 Amended application for erection of conservatory to side 19 Sutton Road Admaston. There were no objections.
- W09/0920 Erection of a detached two storey dormer bungalow: Land adjacent to Hollytree House Allscott. There were no objections.
- W09/0947 Erection of four dwellings following demolition of existing dwellings: 6 & 8 The Avenue Wrockwardine. There were no objections. The Clerk was asked to confirm positive support for the application.

Permissions

The following permission was received:

- W09/0711 Erection of a front extension to existing attached garage incorporating new porch; 5 Shawbirch Road Admaston.
- W09/0524 Erection of a two storey detached dwelling; Land adjacent to 5 Bostock Close Admaston.
- W09/0663 Erection of a two storey side extension; 15 The Avenue Wrockwardine.
- W09/0725 Erection of a first floor extension and a ground floor conservatory to rear of existing dwelling; 44 Elmsdale Crescent Admaston.

Refusals

There were no refusals.

09/131 Accounts for Payment

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

The meeting approved an additional payment:
Cheque 010343 Royal British Legion (wreath) £16.50

Statement 33 was tabled along with the reconciliation and was approved.

09/132 Press Statement

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

09/133 Chairman's Closing Remarks

The Chairman thanked all for attending the meeting.

09/134 Next Meeting

Members were reminded that the next meeting of the Council was to be on Wednesday 9th December 2009 to commence at 7.30 p.m. at Admaston House.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.59 p.m.

Signed _____
Chairman

Date _____

	BUDGET
	2010/11
Clerks Salary	7400
Tax & N. I	2900
Pension Fund	2300
Clerks Travel	500
Office/Telephone	420
Stationery/Postage	775
Subs & Fees	1500
Insurance	2200
Cllrs. Travel	0
Training	0
Street Lighting	6000
Hall Hire	500
Fields Maint	8000
Chairman's allowance	600
Grants (sect 137)	1500
Lighting Refurbishment	0
Footpath Maintenance	0
Playing Fields	0
Bus shelter Maint	500
Parish Magazine	1000
Programmed Community Fund	4000
Parish Imp (H'way Maint)	<u>6000</u>
Total	46095