

Selattyn and Gobowen Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council on Wednesday 8th February 2017 at the Gobowen Pavilion, Gobowen at 7.00pm

In the Chair – Cllr Ellis

Present: Councillors: S Crow, H Ellis, D Lloyd, E Morgan, I Bennett, J Davies, P Cherrington, P Drury, C Emery, R Macey.

Also present: Ian Binks – BT Fibre Partnership, 2 members of the public, PCSO.

577 To receive apologies and reasons for absence
It was **RESOLVED** to accept apologies for absence from Cllrs Westwood Bate, Jones, Lindup, Broom and West-Wynn.

578 Disclosable Pecuniary Interests
a) Declaration of any disclosable pecuniary interest in a matter to be discussed at the meeting and which is not included in the register of interests. **None declared.**
b) To consider any applications for dispensation. **None received.**

579 To confirm the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 11.01.17 and the Special Budget Meeting held on 26.01.17.

The minutes were amended to include Cllr Macey's declared interest when discussing the Budget, under heading 'Running Costs' – All Saints Church.

It was **RESOLVED** to confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 11.01.17 and 26.01.17 and they were duly signed as a true record.

580 Public Participation session - a period of 15 minutes will be set aside for the public to speak on items on the agenda.

Members of the public spoke on the following matters:

- Road safety and speed concerns along St Martin's Road. Double white lines to stop overtaking, better signage and a speed camera requested.
- Community Fibre Partnership – Selattyn is a 'dead spot' in regards to broadband. There are Cabinets within a mile of Selattyn and yet nothing available in Selattyn itself.

581 BT Community Fibre Partnerships – Presentation from Ian Binks, Regional Partnership Director, West Midlands

The scheme recognises communities in the final 5% which are expensive to get to. In recognition of this community fibre broadband was set up. First project took place in Little Wenlock. With a contribution from the community of £30k, they were able to install the infrastructure to give them superfast broadband. 1000 communities have registered an interest and they are currently working with 100. Corporate Social Responsibility is aimed at schools and communication so have come up with a set of criteria to support communities where a school is in the centre of the community – there is a £2m fund and a school is able to bid for up to £20k to put towards the project. End result is that the community is helping to gap fund the investment needed to install the infrastructure.

School eligibility criteria – A school must not be able to get more than 10mb (increasing to 30mb) download speed. Selattyn School - 1 of only 4 schools in Shropshire who cannot access Super-Fast Broadband.

If the community were to embark on the scheme, they would identify those areas in the community that need to

be addressed.

Commercially BT would plan out what this would cost, they expect revenue as a result of installation so they will put in an investment. They would let the community know the gap, schools grant would give up to £20k to put towards that gap. Once the project has been scoped out a price can be given.

Fibre to the premise gives 1GB download speed and is another avenue to explore.

The school have registered on the site and via this they will be given information on what data needs to be gathered.

BT would never come to Selattyn on a commercial basis but if they can work with the community to get fibre in they will provide support.

Rhosygadfa – The Solar Farm has paid for a private circuit to be put in. Designed for businesses and they pay for that high level of service. The spine can then be used to put in more blown fibre in.

RESOLVED to note the information provided by Ian Binks and for Cllr Bennett to continue to liaise with the Chair of Governors at Selattyn School to scope out the project with BT.

582 Reports

- a) **Progress Report** – To consider the Clerk's progress report. **RESOLVED** to note.
- b) **Shropshire Council** - To receive and consider reports from Shropshire Council elected councillors and receive and answer questions

Cllr Macey spoke on the following matters;

- Invitation to meet the Minister – 2nd March. Aim to get the Bypass included in next 5 year program – more talking of cross border working
- Planning Committee – Solar Farm Mast – all comments put forward. Developers were present and spoke. Assurances in writing that by 12th October the mast will be taken down whether broadband is in place then or not. Enforcement are on board.
- Gledrid roadworks – will share plans for the finished project.
- Solar Farm - the questions have been asked – do they have to pay business rates on the site as a whole or just where the panels are? Damage to the verges – we now have it in writing that the project management company will reinstate these. Traffic management plan is now published online and must be stuck to otherwise they will be going to enforcement.

Request for Shropshire County Councillors to follow up the issue of better signage off Gledrid with regards to stopping HGVs being directed through Selattyn via Weston Rhyn.

- c) **Other Reports** - Reports from councillors attending meetings and site visits on behalf of the parish council.
Cllr Ellis reported on the Cluster Meeting – thanks was expressed to LJC for arranging the meeting and it was felt that it was very beneficial.
- d) **Police reports** including reported incidents, the monthly police and CCTV report. PCSO reported that appeals have been put out for people to come forward if they saw anything regarding the Preeshenlle incident. A speed gun has been purchased which will act as a deterrent against speeding on St Martin's Road. A request was made for a report following it's use showing figures and statistics of what is recorded. It was noted that all crime figures are now available to view online rather than via a printed monthly police report. **RESOLVED** to note the verbal report from the PCSO. It was noted that a CCTV report had not been received this month but that the CCTV coordinator will be putting in a grant on behalf of the parish council for additional radio equipment for the CCTV.

583 Financial Matters

- a) **Monthly statement** - To approve the monthly financial statement and bank statements against bank reconciliation. **RESOLVED** to approve.
- b) **Payments** - To approve outstanding payments and payments made prior to meeting. **RESOLVED** to approve.

BACS/Chq Payments made before 08.02.17					Act
Chq	Supplier	Net	Vat	Gross	
BACSCM17	RJAH - December Meals	295.00	59.00	354.00	
	Total	295.00	59.00	354.00	
Current Account Cheque Payments					
Chq	Supplier	Net	Vat	Gross	
300685	HMRC Inland Revenue Payments (Clerk NI & Tax) + PC NI contribution (72.32)	192.29	0.00	192.29	LGA 1972 s.112(2)
300686	Daren Brewer Feb Invoice (bus shelters and railway carriage £45.00)	45.00	0.00	45.00	SC Maint. Fund HA 1980 s.96 LG (MP)A 1953 s.4 / PCA 1957 s.1
	Total	237.29	0.00	237.29	
	Total cheques paid since last meeting	532.29	59.00	591.29	
BACS, Standing Orders and DD payments					
BACS No.					
BACS57	Royce Landscapes - Fencing and planting on St Martins Road (600.00) and Support and Concrete Allotment Gate Post (60.00)	660.00	0.00	660.00	LGA 1892 s.8 (1)(i); SHAA 1908 s.26
BACS58	Highline Electrical - SG5 temp head fitted, rewire 45.00, SG118 replace part night cell 31.00, labour 62.50)	138.50	27.70	166.20	PCA 1957 ss.3(1) & 7 / HA 1980 s.301 / OSA 1906 s.10
BACS59	SALC - Staff Training (CILCA session 2) 60.00m; Local Council Award Scheme SALC Admin Fee 50.00	110.00	0.00	110.00	LGA 1972 s.111; LGA 1972 s.143
BACS60	SLCC - Regional Training Seminar (staff training)	34.50	6.90	41.40	LGA 1972 s.111
BACS61	Shropshire Green Energy Centre - Cavity Wall and Loft Insulation (Pavilion)	2429.52	121.48	2551.00	LGA 1892 s.8 (1)(i)
BACS62	ORP - CCTV Maintenance Contract 08/01/17 - 07/01/18	452.00	90.40	542.40	LG&RA 1997 s.31, LG&RA 1997
BACS63	Agritel - Cllrs Allowance - supply of 3 printer ink cartridges and paper	76.90	15.38	92.28	LA(MA)(E) R 2003 SI 2003/1021 & SI 2004/2596
BACS63	Agritel - Office Expenses (Laminating pouches A4 and A5, suspension files and paper)	50.37	10.07	60.44	LGA 1972 s.111
BACS64	Parish Clerk's Expenses (Telephone and Broadband Contribution 21.00, Mileage 158.85, 50% contribution to homemaker home insurance 37.34, stamps 4.40)	221.59	0.00	221.59	LG(FP)A 1963 s 5

BACS65	Ass. to the Parish Clerk's Expenses (Printouts 3.30, washing up liquid 1.00, hand wash 0.95, bin liners 1.00, toilet roll 0.95, bathroom cleaner 1.50)	8.70	0.00	8.70	LG(FP)A 1963 s 5
DD	Pension Contribution (Employer 7.14, Staff 5.71).	12.85	0.00	12.85	LGPSR SI 2007/1166, LGPS SI 2008/238&239
DD	BT Busines Bill - Pavilion Phoneline and Broadband - Now paid as a combined bill - monthly. Payment taken on 08.02.17	49.70	9.94	59.64	LGA 1972 s.111
DD	Veolia (payment taken on 28.02.17)	27.24	5.45	32.69	LGA 1972 s.214(6)
SO	Clerk's Salary	1074.41	0.00	1074.41	LGA 1972 s.112(2)
SO	Ass. to Parish Clerk's Salary	649.94	0.00	649.94	LGA 1972 s.112(2)
	TOTAL	5996.22	287.32	6283.54	
	Total outgoings for February	6528.51	346.32	6874.83	
Current Account Income					
121	Play Equipment Funding - Hilton Jones Trust	1675.00	0.00	1675.00	
121	Play Equipment Funding - 3 Parishes Big Local	3633.00	0.00	3633.00	
121	Pavilion Hire - Football Sat 14th Jan	45.00	0.00	45.00	
121	Cemetery Income - Headstone Application plot 357 (Abbey Memorial Ltd)	90.00	0.00	90.00	
121	Cemetery Income - Headstone Application plot 417 (Aubrey Kirkham)	90.00	0.00	90.00	
121	Cemetery Income - Edmund Rowlands - Cremated Remains Interment	250.00	0.00	250.00	
121	Cemetery Income - WE Price - Interment Plot 377	400.00	0.00	400.00	
121	Cemetery Income - David Davies - Interment Plot 399	400.00	0.00	400.00	
BACS	Pavilion Hire - Gobowen IT Project and Fusion Arts - 3rd Quarter	240.00	0.00	240.00	
BACS	Interest on HSBC Business Money Manager Account January	2.55	0.00	2.55	
	TOTAL INCOME	6825.55	0.00	6825.55	
Community Meals Account Payments					
	Supplier	Net	Vat	Gross	
BACSCM18	K Griffiths - Expenses Jan	30.00	0.00	30.00	
	TOTAL	30.00	0.00	30.00	
Community Meals Income					

000042	Direct Payment - Feb Meals	40.00	0.00	40.00	
000042	Jan meal payments	352.00	0.00	352.00	
	TOTAL INCOME	392.00	0.00	392.00	

- c) **Income** -To note income received since the last meeting. **RESOLVED** to note.
- d) **Internal Transfer of Funds** – Agree transfer from Deposit to Current Account. **RESOLVED** to approve.
- e) **3rd Quarter Internal Controls Report** – To consider report from Cllr Emery. **RESOLVED** to note.
- f) **Staff Training** – Consider Clerks request to attend training – How to recruit and manage volunteers. **RESOLVED** to approve.
- g) **CCTV Maintenance Contract 2017-18** – Agree and sign. **RESOLVED** to approve and the contract was duly signed.
- h) **Cemetery Maintenance** – Agree quote for turfing and topping up. **RESOLVED** to approve the quote.

584 Planning Items

a) Planning Application Decisions – To note recent planning decisions

Reference: 16/05289/FUL (validated: 18/11/2016)

Address: Braecroft, City Lane, Hengoed, Oswestry, Shropshire, SY10 7ET

Proposal: Erection of 3 bay garage/carport; formation of new vehicular access/driveway.

Decision: Grant Permission

Reference: 16/05277/COU (validated: 07/12/2016)

Address: Penybont Farm, Selattyn, Oswestry, Shropshire, SY10 7LL

Proposal: Change of use of 2No rooms from therapy rooms back to domestic use.

Decision: Grant Permission

Reference: 16/05418/FUL (validated: 29/11/2016)

Address: Pentreclawdd Farm, Pentre Clawdd, Gobowen, Oswestry, Shropshire, SY10 7AE

Proposal: Erection of an amenity building and all associated works

Decision: Refuse

Reference: 16/05607/FUL (validated: 12/12/2016)

Address: Proposed Solar Farm At, Rhosygadfa, Gobowen, Shropshire

Proposal: Temporary siting of telecom mast to support recently approved solar farm

Decision: Grant Permission

RESOLVED to note.

The meeting was adjourned at 20.15 to consider planning applications

The meeting re-adjourned at 20.23

b) Planning applications for consideration

Reference: 17/00253/FUL (validated: 24/01/2017)

Address: Magnolia Cottage, Hengoed, Oswestry, Shropshire, SY10 7ES

Proposal: Erection of a stable block and field shelter for private use and all associated works to include change of use of land

It was **RESOLVED** to submit a Neutral Representation with the following comments:

- **The Parish Council have no comments to make on this application.**

Reference: 17/00411/FUL (validated: 01/02/2017)

Address: Lion Quays, Weston Rhyn, Oswestry, Shropshire, SY11 3EN

Proposal: Erection of extension to existing restaurant

It was **RESOLVED** to submit a Neutral Representation with the following comments:

- **The Parish Council have no comments to make on this application.**

c) **16/05745/FUL** – Holiday Chalets Henlle Hall – Discuss comments submitted at January meeting.

The comments from the applicant were discussed and it was **RESOLVED** to retract the comment about the location of Gardener’s Cottage but that the other comments submitted still stand.

d) 16/05257/VAR106 – Housing Needs Survey – To note the response. **RESOLVED** to note.

e) Community Housing Fund – Discuss. It was **RESOLVED** to express an interest in building affordable homes in the Parish and initiate discussions with Shropshire Housing.

f) Proposal for Renewable Energy Park at Cefn Y Maes, near Rhydygroesau – Discuss. **RESOLVED not to comment at this stage.**

585 Transfer of amenity land – Discuss areas proposed by Shropshire Council

Councillors discussed and expressed views on leasehold / freehold. It was noted that the approximate cost to maintain the Coppice annually is £450 + tree surveys every 2/3 years.

It was **RESOLVED** to submit a letter stating that the Parish Council are only interested if the transfer is freehold and request information on any covenants on the land. It was **FURTHER RESOLVED** to investigate and consider the available amenity land further and bring back to the March meeting to consider submitting and Expression of Interest.

586 Partnership Working – Discuss options for Partnership working with neighbouring parishes

This was discussed and **RESOLVED** that the Parish Council enter into discussions to see what opportunities arise. All proposals must be brought back to Full Council. The opportunity to meet as 3 councils together to exchange views on working together has its benefits.

587 Consultations

a) Partial Review of the Shropshire Local Plan - Issues and Strategic Options Consultation - Discuss response to consultation and **Call For Sites Notification** – Discuss.

It was **RESOLVED** that the Chairman call an extraordinary full council meeting on Wednesday 22nd February to discuss the consultation document in further detail and complete the survey.

b) Street Trading Policy – Discuss response to consultation. The consultation was discussed. It is more likely to affect Towns and where they may want more control over the activities. Where they don’t want to take over the contract, SC will continue to manage this. **RESOLVED** not to respond.

21.00 - RESOLVED to suspend standing orders to allow the remaining agenda items to be discussed.

588 Parish Council Code of Conduct – Review

The Code of Conduct was reviewed and it was **RESOLVED** not to make any amends and to adopt. The Code of Conduct will be reviewed again in May when all Standing Orders, Policies and Financial Regulations are reviewed.

589 Road Safety Submission to Shropshire Council – Discuss and agree February submission.

The following new areas of concern were discussed:

	Location	Details of concern
9	Selattyn School	Formalised parking arrangements around the school – double yellow lines instead of the zig zags and on the Bath Banks Corner. Other schools have 20mph signs, flashing signs, bumps etc and Selattyn School has none of these.
10	Rhewl Bank, St Martin’s Road, Gobowen	Re-submit as an increasing, growing concern. Request for double white lines.
11	Gobowen (pedestrian crossing)	Speeding through the village an issue. Reports of people nearly being hit whilst using the crossing due to speeding vehicles. Dark and can’t see who is crossing – lack of visibility. Should be a 20mph zone. Better lighting requested. Can’t see

		the zebra crossing because of cars parked in the Lay By
12	Roundabout in Gobowen	Directional sign to St Martin's to be removed from the 1 st exit off the roundabout as it directs people back onto the bypass.

RESOLVED to submit.

590 Ifton Colliery – Consider submitting a letter of support for the project

It was **RESOLVED** that all councillors present sign a letter of support for the project.

591 Review of the Parish Heritage and Listed Building List

The list was reviewed and **RESOLVED** to add the War Memorial in Gobowen which has now been given Grade II listed status and the Castle at Brogyntyn.

The Castle is mentioned by Historic England as nationally significant. It is in close proximity to the planned build of 50 houses. Historic England said it is the context it is in that is significant.

It was **FURTHER RESOLVED** that Grid references and photos be added to the list to better identify the items.

592 Correspondence forwarded to Councillors for consideration and information

To note:

- a) E-Newsletters - Public Sector Executive, Rural Services Network, Rural, NALC and SALC Bulletins, Shropshire Campaign for Better Broadband, NHS Future Fit Digest, 3 Parishes Big Local Messenger
- b) NALC Newsletter
- c) Future Fit – response to Parish Council letter sent in December about A&E services in Shropshire (hard copy presented at the meeting)
- d) Gobowen Library – notes from latest meeting
- e) Health Watch Shropshire – Research Grant Launched
- f) Police and Crime Commissioners – budget survey
- g) Notice of nominator and Parish Council receipt of intention to bid – Gobowen Station Buildings
- h) Health Watch Shropshire – Research into home care services in Shropshire
- i) Shropshire Broadband – E Newsletter
- j) A495 Ellesmere Road Closure and diversion routes
- k) VCSA Newsletter
- l) The Repair Show – BBC2 tv programme looking for sentimental items
- m) Shropshire Council News – Shropshire Successful in National Alcohol Action Programme
- n) Invitation for the Chair to meet with the Minister of State at the Department for Transport, the Rt Hon John Hayes CBE MP, on Thursday 2nd March in response to the long-term campaign to have the A5 upgraded to a dual carriageway.
- o) Shrewsbury and Telford NHS Hospital Trust - Putting Patients First – Newsletter
- p) Road Closure Notification - Road to be closed: Unnamed Road, Ebnall Lodge to Cherry Tree Cottage, Iron Mills, Gobowen, Oswestry. Date and duration: 20/02/17 to 22/02/17 (07:30 – 17:30), Purpose: To enable installation of underground cable ducting
- q) Traffic Management Bulletin for the A5 Gledrid

RESOLVED to note.

- 593**
- a) **Date of meeting** - To note date, time and location. 22nd Feb (Extra Meeting), 8th March, 7pm, Selattyn School. Annual Parish Meeting 2nd March.
 - b) **Location of July Meeting** – discuss holding the meeting in Selattyn School in July. **RESOLVED** to hold July meeting in Selattyn.

Meeting closed at 21.20.