

# Selattyn and Gobowen Parish Council

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Minutes of the meeting of Parish Council on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2016 at Selattyn School, Selattyn at 7.00pm

In the Chair – Cllr Ellis

Present; Councillors: P Cherrington, S Crow, J Davies, P Drury, H Ellis, R Jones, D Lloyd, T Broom

Also present: 1 member of the public, 2 representatives from Cambrian Heritage Railway, PCSO Fairley

## 438 To receive apologies and reasons for absence

### Apologies

Cllr Morgan, Cllr Emery, Cllr Bennett, Cllr West-Wynn, Cllr Macey, Cllr Lindup

### Absent

Cllr S Westwood Bate

## 439 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.**

## 440 To confirm the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 11.05.16

It was **RESOLVED** to confirm the minutes of the council meeting held on 11.05.16 and were approved and duly signed as a true record.

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

**No members of the public chose to speak.**

## 442 Reports

- a) **Progress Report** – To consider the Clerk’s progress report. **RESOLVED** to note the report with the following comment:

**Selattyn Wall** – Cllr Lloyd and Macey have inspected the wall in close detail. The Chief Executive of Shropshire Council has been written to and it has been requested that an independent assessment be carried out to determine the risk of slippage. It was **RESOLVED** that no further action be taken until a response has been received from the Chief Executive.

- b) **Other reports** - To receive and consider reports from Shropshire Council elected councillors and other reports from councillors attending meetings and site visits on behalf of the parish council.
- **Allotment Committee** – Cllr Morgan to report following May plot inspections. **RESOLVED** to note the report with the following actions/comments:  
*Send an 8 week notice letter to plot 11*  
*Continue to advertise vacant plots 19 and 25*  
*That the shed has been fixed but it is the inside of the shed needs tidying*
  - **Duelling of the bypass** – Cllr Ellis to report following his meeting with the Parliamentary under Secretary of State at the Department of Transport. Approve the proposed submission to Owen Patterson.

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the proposed submission to RT Hon. Owen Paterson MP and expand further on the employment opportunities this will bring and how investment is necessary for economic development and that improved capacity at critical periods on the road is vital.

- **Station Project Improvement Meeting** – Cllr Crow to report following the meeting:
  - A. Cllrs to consider supporting their campaign for a Defibrillator and give consideration to its location. **RESOLVED** to support the campaign and to be located on the external Co-op wall if they are agreeable.
  - B. Community right to bid nomination form – Cllrs to consider supporting their bid by completing and returning the form. **RESOLVED** to support their bid to purchase the Station Buildings and complete the form.

**David Lloyd**

Cllr Lloyd reported that we have been successful in our appeal against the Solar Farm in Rhosygadfa. It was **RESOLVED** that community members are thanked and a note be placed on our website and a statement given the press.

- c) **Police reports** including reported incidents, the monthly police and CCTV report. **RESOLVED** to note the reports.

**443 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.
- c) **Income** -To note income received since the last meeting. **RESOLVED** to note.

BACS/Chq Payments made before 08.06.16					Act
Chq	Supplier	Net	Vat	Gross	
BACSCM2	Shropshire Partners in Care - Volunteer DBS	5.00	1.00	6.00	
BACSCM3	RJAH - April meals	350.00	70.00	420.00	
BACS8	E-on (22nd Feb - 12th May) Pavilion Gas	92.83	4.64	97.47	LGA 1972 S111
	<b>Total</b>	<b>447.83</b>	<b>75.64</b>	<b>523.47</b>	
Current Account Cheque Payments					
Chq	Supplier	Net	Vat	Gross	
300649	S. Crow - Mileage	9.45	0.00	9.45	LGA 1972 s.174
300650	Valley Security and Fire Ltd - Fire Extinguisher Testing	53.00	10.60	63.60	S. 111, LGA 1972
300651	HMRC Inland Revenue Payments (Clerk NI & Tax - 127.42) + PC NI contribution - 75.60)	203.02	0.00	203.02	LGA 1972 s.112(2)
300652	Parish Clerk's Expenses (mileage 37.35, stamps, envelopes, refreshments for meeting 18.06, phone and internet contribution 21.00)	76.41	0.00	76.41	LG(FP)A 1963 s 5
300653	Ass. to the Parish Clerk Expenses (Pavilion Cleaning materials, mileage, internet connection 5.00, telephone calls 5.00)	32.60	0.00	32.60	LG(FP)A 1963 s 5

300654	Brewers June Invoice (Roundabout cut and strim 60.00, allotment cut and strim 20.00, playing field cut and strim 20.00, bus shelter cleaning 45.00, removal of bench 35.00)	180.00	0.00	180.00	SC Maint. Fund HA 1980 s.96 LG (MP)A 1953 s.4 / PCA 1957 s.1
	Total	<b>554.48</b>	<b>10.60</b>	<b>565.08</b>	
	<b>Total cheques paid since last meeting</b>	<b>1002.31</b>	<b>86.24</b>	<b>1088.55</b>	
<b>BACS, Standing Orders and DD payments</b>					
<b>BACS No.</b>					
BACS9	Amberol - Selattyn Planter (199.50) Delivery (45.00)	244.50	48.90	293.40	LGA 1972 s. 137
BACS10	Imprint Design and Print - Roundabout Newsletter Printing 1740 copies	478.00	0.00	478.00	LGA 1972 s.142 (1A)
DD	BT Busines Bill - Pavilion Phoneline (payment taken on or afater 18th June)	22.30	4.46	26.76	S. 111, LGA 1972
DD	Veolia (payment taken on 28.06.16) - 3 lifts on this invoice	39.12	7.82	46.94	LGA 1972 s.214(6); OSA 1906, s.9&10
SO	Clerk's Salary (including back dated pay for April and May 2016-2016 National Salary Award)	1096.41	0.00	1096.41	LGA 1972 s.112(2)
SO	Ass. to Parish Clerk's Salary (including back dated pay for April and May 2016-2018 National Salary Award)	662.82	0.00	662.82	LGA 1972 s.112(2)
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2543.15</b>	<b>61.18</b>	<b>2604.33</b>	
	<b>Total outgoings for May/June</b>	<b>3545.46</b>	<b>147.42</b>	<b>3692.88</b>	
<b>Current Account Income – May/June</b>					
113	David Davies - Interment - plot 357	130.00	0.00	130.00	
113	Jones and Hughes LTD Headstone application - plot 369	90.00	0.00	90.00	
113	Roundabout Advert - half page - Severn Dee Travel	75.00	0.00	75.00	
113	Roundabout Advert - 1/8 page - D. Bradley	50.00	0.00	50.00	
113	Roundabout Advert - 1/8 page - W.E. Price	50.00	0.00	50.00	
113	David Davies - Plot Purchase (412) 270, Interment Charges 130	400.00	0.00	400.00	
113	Pavilion Hire - 1 hour (cash payment converted to a cheque by the clerk)	10.00	0.00	40.00	
113	Pavilion Hire - 2 hours (meeting 07.06.16)	20.00	0.00	20.00	
BACS	Current Account Interest (paid in 4th June - final quarter as interest no longer payable on current acocunts from this date)	20.20	0.00	20.20	

BACS	4th quarter 2015-16 VAT refund	2483.63	0.00	2483.63	
	<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>3328.83</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>3358.83</b>	
<b>Community Meals Account Payments</b>					
	<b>Supplier</b>	<b>Net</b>	<b>Vat</b>	<b>Gross</b>	
300064	K Griffiths - Expenses	36.00	0.00	36.00	
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>36.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>36.00</b>	
<b>Community Meals Income</b>					
BACS	Interest	0.94	0.00	0.94	
000034	Direct Payment - June Meals	52.00	0.00	52.00	
000034	May meal payments	400.00	0.00	400.00	
	<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>452.94</b>		<b>452.94</b>	

<b>BANK TRANSFER FROM UNITY CURRENT ACCOUNT TO HBSC</b>					
300655	Transfer from Unity Trust Current Account into HBSC Account via cheque			<b>75000.00</b>	

- d) **Gobowen Central** – Consider Legal advice from NALC regarding donation of funds to the Gobowen Central Partnership and authorise payment. **RESOLVED** to defer making a decision on the Grant to the July Meeting.
- e) **Banking** – To note the letter from Unity Trust confirming the Cemetery Account has now been closed and funds transferred to the Current Account. Approve the transfer of deposit funds via a cheque from the Unity Trust Current Account to the HSBC Account, where it will be transferred to the Savings Account. Agree a letter to HSBC to instruct the bank to set up a savings account, into which the funds will be transferred.  
**RESOLVED** to approve the transfer (via cheque 300655) to HSBC and sign the letter as per the mandate to authorise the opening of a savings account with HSBC. It was noted that the Hengoed Cemetery Account had now been closed and the funds automatically transferred into the Current Account.

#### 444 Planning Items

##### a) Planning Application Decisions – **RESOLVED** to note recent planning decisions

Reference: 16/00947/FUL (validated: 01/03/2016)

Address: The Fields, Hengoed, Oswestry, Shropshire, SY10 7EQ

Proposal: Erection of a two storey extension off the northern elevation

Decision: Grant Permission

**Reference:** 15/04968/REM (validated: 23/11/2015)

**Address:** Proposed Residential Development To The South Of, Fernhill Lane, Gobowen, Shropshire

**Proposal:** Approval of Reserved Matters (layout, appearance, scale and landscaping) pursuant to permission 14/02792/OUT for residential development

**Decision:** Grant Permission

**Reference:** 16/00728/FUL (validated: 18/02/2016)

**Address:** The Old Barn, Ebnal Hall Farm, Rhosygadfa, Gobowen, Oswestry, Shropshire, SY10 7BL

**Proposal:** Erection of a two storey rear extension to include juliette balcony

**Decision:** Refuse

**Reference:** 15/05620/REM (validated: 04/01/2016)

**Address:** Hart And Trumpet , Station Road, Gobowen, Shropshire, SY11 3JS

**Proposal:** Approval of Reserved Matters (Appearance, Landscaping Layout and Scale) pursuant to 13/00304/OUT for the erection of 12 dwellings; to include drainage and highway details

**Decision:** Grant Permission

**Reference:** 15/03363/OUT (validated: 25/08/2015)

**Address:** Land South Of Firbank, Gyrn Road, Selattyn, Shropshire

**Proposal:** Outline application for the erection of a dwelling with two parking spaces (All Matters Reserved)

**Decision:** Grant Permission

**b) Planning applications for consideration -**

**Reference:** 16/02005/VAR (validated: 10/05/2016)

**Address:** Residential Development Land Adj Willow Bank, Hengoed, Shropshire

**Proposal:** Removal of Condition 1 (approved plans) pursuant to 15/04481/REM to allow for an amendment to affordable housing provision

**RESOLVED** to submit an **objection** with the following comments:

- We object to the removal of condition 1 and we adhere to our original comments when consent was initially granted.

**c) 15/04968/REM – Fernhill Lane, Gobowen** – Consider the response from the Principal Planning Officer regarding a pedestrian crossing and the recommendation to make a request to the Highway Department.

**It was traffic calming and not a pedestrian crossing that was requested. RESOLVED** that a request be made to the local engineers to help to slow the traffic down (traffic calming measures)

**RESOLVED** that a request be made for a representative attend a future meeting to discuss Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL). Clarification on ways in which we can utilise CIL.

**445 Gobowen to Oswestry Railway Project** – Update from the Chairman of Cambrian Heritage Railways, Robert Williams.

Robert Williams gave a presentation on CHR and developments and current projects. Two stand-alone projects:

- Develop a Gobowen to Oswestry Community Railway
- Develop Tradition Heritage Tourism railway from the South

8 mile of railway track intact. Arguments for the development of the community railway included the point that Oswestry one of largest towns in the UK without its own railway station. This project is recognised in the Oswestry 2020 Plan. The project is viewed as a catalyst for the social and economic regeneration of Oswestry and the wider community. Next steps – looking at consultants and funding for the feasibility study.

Request for a letter of support from the Parish Council in regards to the Oswestry to Gobowen Community Railway.

**Questions:** Issues with Level Crossings and disruption to traffic.

**Response:** Existing railways have existing rights of way. People using a public service will disrupt flow but it will save disruption to flow (i.e. reducing the number of cars on the road, on roundabouts etc).

**RESOLVED** to discuss a letter of support at a future meeting.

**446 Council Committee** – To nominate a councillor to be elected onto the Amenities and Services Committee.

It was **RESOLVED** that Cllr Broom be elected onto the Amenities and Services Committee.

**447 Training**

- a) To approve the Training - Statement of Intent to be published on the Parish Website. **RESOLVED** to approve with agreed amends.
- b) **To approve requests to attend forthcoming Training Sessions** –Cllr Drury considered attending the Chairmanship Part 1 and 2 Training Sessions, the Clerk reported that SALC are looking to arrange Cemetery training in the summer but it was **RESOLVED** that Cllrs would need to know the cost before a booking could be placed. It was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk attend the VAT training on 14<sup>th</sup> September and as a result the September full council meeting will be moved to Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> September.

**448 Oswestry Area Committee** – Formalise and agree questions to be asked by the representative on behalf of the Parish Council at the Oswestry Area Committee meeting on 21<sup>st</sup> June.

**It was RESOLVED that the following questions be put to the committee:**

- How are they going to distribute information about elections so that we can communicate it to parishioners in good time
- Input into preparation for training for new councillors
- CIL – Why are Parish Councillors not involved in CIL and how it is allocated and spent
- Link to 453a for discussion – the rights and the needs of the section of the county that is at a distance from Telford Hospital – the loss of local services

**449 2015-2020 Project Plan** – Discuss, review and approve

**It was RESOLVED** that this needs further thought and consideration. Clerk to circulate to councillors to gather their comments and bring to July meeting to consider the setting up of a sub-committee.

**450 Local Council Award Scheme** – Agree by resolution that the Parish Council meets all of the required criteria to achieve the Foundation Level. It was **RESOLVED** to bring to future meeting when the action plan has been agreed.

**451 Gobowen Playing Field**

- a) Consider and approve quotes for repair to wet pour edging. **RESOLVED** to approve Ray Parry's quote
- b) Consider and approve quote to repair the grass mat. **RESOLVED** to approve Ray Parry's quote
- c) Consider removal of Wooden Multi-Play – **RESOLVED** that this be removed by Ray Parry

**452 Staff Recess** – Approve Assistant to the Parish Clerk's request and approve cover arrangements. **RESOLVED** to approve the annual leave request and cover arrangements.

**453 Correspondence** forwarded to Councillors for consideration and information  
**RESOLVED to note:**

- a) E-Newsletters - Public Sector Executive, Rural Services Network, Rural Opportunities Bulletin, NALC and SALC Bulletins, Broadband Campaign, Shropshire Campaign for Better Broadband, Local Trust
- b) Bulletin from NALCs on National Developments
- c) D15 Extra – NALC's Direct Information Service
- d) Connecting Shropshire – monthly broadband update
- e) Armed Forces Day on 25<sup>th</sup> June – information on activities from the Community Enablement Team

**For discussion:**

- a) Open Letter from Emergency Medicine Consultants regarding Future Fit – consider a response **RESOLVED** to submit the agreed comments.
- b) Library Opening Hours – 6 week public consultation. Consider a response. **RESOLVED** to note.
- c) Roadworks in the constituency as a result of RES' 17-turbine Garreg Lwyd Hill Wind Farm – consider how to publicise this. **No comments were made on the plans but it was noted that it must be advertised well in advance. RESOLVED to communicate this to RES Ltd.**

**454 Date of meeting**

- a) To note Date and Time of the next meeting - Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July, 7.00pm.
- b) To discuss 2016-17 meeting venues – **RESOLVED** to defer this to a future meeting

**Meeting closed at 21.00**