

Selattyn and Gobowen Parish Council

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 8th July 2015 in
Gobowen Pavilion, Gobowen Playing Field, St Martins Road, Gobowen, commencing at
7.00pm**

In the Chair – Councillor Crow

Present: Councillors:, I. Bennett, S. West Wynn, E. Morgan, S Heap, D Lloyd, R. Jones, C. Emery, S. Crow, P. Drury, L. Lindup, P Cherrington, S. Westwood Bate, H. Ellis,

3 members of the public present
CSO Iremonger

**272/15 To receive apologies and reasons for absence
RESOLVED to accept the following apology for absence
Cllr Davies
Absent R. Macey**

273/15 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.
Cllr Ellis declared a disclosable pecuniary interest on item 286

b) To consider any applications for dispensation – none received

**274/15 To Confirm the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 10.6.15
The minutes of the council meeting held on 10.6.15 were confirmed at it was
RESOLVED to sign the minutes as a true record**

275/15 Public Participation session - a period of 15 minutes will be set aside for the public to speak on items on the agenda.

Mr Davies thanked the Parish Council for its support in the objection of the Rhosagadfa Solar Farm planning application and in particular the support of Cllr Ellis and Cllr Lloyd at the recent planning committee meeting.

Mrs Basham raised concerns about the speed of traffic on St Martins Road which she felt continues to be a problem despite the new crossing. She stated that there is a need for better signage in the parish and that she would like to pursue a community speed watch initiative in the parish. The Council agreed that it would be an item on the next meeting.

276/15 Reports
a) Progress Report – To consider the clerks progress report. – **RESOLVED to note** Clerk was asked to request that Duncan Royce installs the memorial path stone adjacent to the path on the slope, in front of the pavilion building.
Clerk was asked to add the gypsy site at Henlle to the progress report.
b) Other reports - To receive and consider reports from

Shropshire Council elected councillors – David Lloyd thanked the council for how they represented the views of the community over the solar farm application.
 Police representatives – CSO Iremonger +1 attended the meeting
 He presented and answered questions on the police report and on speeding concerns in the parish.

Other reports from councillors attending meetings and site visits on behalf of the parish council. - none

277/15

Financial Matters

a) Monthly statement To approve the monthly financial statement and bank statements against bank reconciliation – **RESOLVED to note**

b) Payments - To approve Outstanding Payments and payments made prior to meeting.

RESOLVED to approve the following payments

Current Account Cheque Payments July

Chq	Supplier	Net	Vat	Gross
300446	HMRC	290.16		290.16
300447	Shropshire Council – Selattyn School Room Hire	10.00		10.00
300448	Nigel Thomas expenses	27.99		27.99
300449	Darren Brewer July Maintenance	20.00		
	Allotment paths	45.00		
	Bus shelter cleaning	60.00		
	Roundabout Cutting	20.00		
	Verge Cutting	20.00		
	Watering	50.00		
	Moving playing field bench			215.00
300450	Krazy Kayakers – (reissue of cheque number 300314 paid on 12.3.14 which was made out to the wrong account name)	75.00		75.00

BACS and Standing Orders July

BACS No.		Net	Vat	Gross
262	Lion Printing – Roundabout newsletter	398.00		398.00
263	Derwen College – plants for floral display	524.99	105.01	630.00
264	Southern electric – pavilion electricity	69.36	3.46	72.82
265	Eon – pavilion gas	18.02	.90	18.92
266	Highline electrical – streetlighting June	103.00	20.60	123.60
267	Veolia May cemetery refuse	23.84	4.78	28.61

	emptying			
268	BT Broadband	117.43		140.92
269	Veolia June cemetery refuse emptying	35.76	7.15	42.91
DD	BT Pavilion phone line	19.99	4.00	25.19
Standing order	Penny O'Hagan Salary standing order	1215.46		1215.46
Standing order	Nigel Thomas	643.50		643.50

Community Meals Account Payments July

	Supplier	Net	Vat	Gross
BACSCM66	Kath Griffiths expenses June	217.33		217.33
BACSCM67	RJAH meals June	411.67	82.33	494.00

c) Income -To note income received since the last meeting - – **RESOLVED to note the following income**

Current Account Income – 8.7.15

Roundabout adverts £225

Pavilion Hire £210

Wayleave13.09

Broadband contribution £120

Bank Interest £76.31

Income £720 (chq for £32 returned to client as made payable to wrong council)

d) Budget - To consider 1st Quarter budget report – **RESOLVED to note the report**

278/15

Planning Items

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

Clerk was asked to write to Ian Kilby and Keith Barrow to express the disappointment of the council over the low amount of CIL money that the parish council would receive from the Brogyntyn Hall application

b) Planning applications for consideration - none at time of printing agenda

c) Planning correspondence

i) Notification of SAMDev Plan Examination - Schedule of Main Modifications consultation 1 June - 13 July – for consideration - It was reported that there was a spelling error for Middle Hengoed - **RESOLVED to note.**

279/15

Gobowen Library – To consider report on meetings held with head of Shropshire Council Libraries over future plans for Gobowen Library. Kate Garner from Shropshire Council was present for this item and answered questions on the item.

A discussion took place on the future of the library and councillors felt that more information is required on the proposals from Shropshire council and the current user information for the library. Councillors requested information on the timescale for any handover/ closure of the building, the condition of existing

building , age of users, current usage and whether there was a need to review the current opening hours and focus on the most popular sessions.

RESOLVED that whilst the Parish Council is unable to commit to any proposal at this time it is committed to continue to be a partner in the discussion process.

280/15 Road safety Concerns – to consider road safety concerns in the parish for 2016-17 in line with new policy requirements

Clerk was asked to ensure that all previously raised concerns that have not been actioned are included again in the concerns for 2016-17 as well as the following new concerns

- There is a need to add a weight restriction on all the roads through Selattyn village as some of the HGV lorries currently using the roads through the village and particularly along Bath Banks are too large for the size of the road.
- There is a need to introduce speed restrictions and other traffic calming measures along the B4579, especially from Pentre Dafydd crossroads through to the 40 mph restriction in Upper Hengoed.
- Double yellow lines are required for approx. 20m adjacent to the Methodist chapel in Gobowen as parking here is a particular problem for vehicles trying to access Old Chirk Road

281/15 Canal Towpath – to consider supporting grant application to improve canal towpath for users

Cllr Jones presented this item and reported that the project is to improve the surface of the tow path from Moors Bridge to Poachers Pocket and is used heavily by residents of the parish.

RESOVLED to send a letter of support for the proposed project from the parish council

282/15 Emergency plan update – for discussion. **RESOLVED to defer to October meeting as information was not available in time for the meeting**

283/15 Summer Recess – to approve cover arrangements over the summer recess. It was reported that the finance and executive committee have recommended that the Assistant to the Parish Clerk would provide cover whilst the clerk was on holiday. – **RESOLVED to note**

284/15 Correspondence – to consider

RESOLVED to note the following items

PCC Weekly Newsletter

Rural Services Network – notification of Building a rural community survey

Connecting Shropshire Update

Shropshire Health & Wellbeing News

Notification of SALC Training events - Meetings, Law and Procedures 27 July 2015 –

Cllr Ellis to attend

Shropshire Rural Hub June 2015 Newsletter

NALC newsletter

285/15

Date of meetings

a) To note Date and Time of the next meeting – **RESOLVED to note next meeting date is 9.9.15**

Cllr Ellis left the meeting.

286/15

Exclusion of press and public

To resolve: That in accordance with s1(2) Public Bodies (Admission of Meetings) Act 1960, members of the public and press be excluded from the remainder of the meeting on the grounds that the following items to be considered involves the likely disclosure of confidential information.

RESOLVED to exclude press and public

a) To consider recommendations of the cemetery committee in relation to the purchase of land in Gobowen for use as a cemetery and to consider quotes to undertake a tier 1 risk assessment on the land to assess the suitability of the land as a burial site.

Following a vote it was **RESOLVED to**

- **To agree to pay the costs of the landowners agent in relation to negotiation of the land purchase up to a limit of £1200**
- **To agree in principal to the purchase price of the land subject to planning permission being approved for the use of the land as a burial ground.**
- **To seek quotes from consultants to undertake a tier 1 risk assessment on the land to assess its suitability for burial.**

Meeting ended 21.00