

## RUYTON XI TOWNS PARISH COUNCIL

A Parish Council meeting was held at Ruyton XI Towns Memorial Hall on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2013 at 7.30 pm.

**Councillors in attendance:** Mr C Case; Mrs R Slowley; Mrs A Sanders Royle; Mrs A White; Mr A Johnston; Mr M Lewis (appointed at the meeting); Mr M Niddrie-Davies; Mr D Spicer; Mr T Allison.

**Also in attendance:** Sue Hackett Clerk; Nick Bardsley Shropshire Councillor and a member of the public.

46.13 WELCOME BY CHAIRMAN – The Chairman opened the meeting.

47.13 PUBLIC SESSION – Mr Eccleston summarised his planning application 13/02191/FUL and invited questions from the Council. Improvements to access at the site were explained in detail.

48.13 APOLOGIES – The Chairman announced that the following apology had been received: Cllr Gittins – Unable to attend due to work commitments. This was accepted and approved by Council.

49.13 CO-OPTION OF PARISH COUNCILLOR – Council confirmed by resolution the appointment of Mr Lewis as councillor by co-option. Mr Lewis accepted the appointment. Council confirmed the decision to re-advertise the one parish councillor vacancy. (Proposed AJ; Seconded DS.) Clerk to action.

50.13 COUNCILLORS DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS – None were declared.

51.13 POLICE REPORT – PC Dale reported on road safety issues and the policy of the police nationally not to enforce 20 mph zones but rely on highway engineering.

PC Dale provided the most recent month's crime report: 2 cars had been broken into in the village; an outbuilding had been broken into; damage to private property had occurred and the theft of 2 hanging baskets.

PC Dale stated that speed enforcement during the summer months would occur as it was evident that it was prevalent in the village. PC Dale confirmed that there had been no reported incidents of vehicles blocking neighbouring drives when the auctions on School Rd had taken place.

52.13 CLOSURE OF BASCHURCH FIRE STATION – Cllr Niddrie-Davies reported on the recent meeting held; which had been attended by representatives from all local parish councils. He went on to explain that an Impact Assessment needed to be submitted by the fire station by 19/7/13.

He encouraged individuals to write to their MP about the issue but explained that the PC had been encouraged to act via Baschurch PC who are leading the campaign. Petitions & lobbying would probably be required in 2014; dependent on the outcome of the submission of the Impact Assessment Report.

53.13 SC LOCAL JOINT COMMITTEE REPORT-The Chairman summarised the outcomes of the meeting. Ruyton Village Hall Committee's grant application had been approved.

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- 54.13 SHROPSHIRE COUNCILLOR REPORT – Cllr Nick Bardsley reported that the 2 Birch Grove planning applications heard by the SC Planning Committee were largely upheld as the views of the Parish Council and community had been taken on board. (One application had been rejected and the remaining one was deferred.)

Parish Plan Kinnerley has a successful Neighbourhood Plan financed by a £16,000 grant. Ruyton would be unable to do this but could possibly seek LJC monies to assist a collection of parish councils. Council stated that they would be interested in such a scheme.

Cllr Bardsley confirmed he had taken part in the Local Walk About in the village.

- 55.13 CONFIRMATION & ACCEPTANCE OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES: The Parish Council confirmed by resolution the accuracy of the draft minutes of the parish council meeting held on 10/6/13 and instructed the Chairman to sign them as accurate.

### 56.13 PLANNING MATTERS

- a. Council considered the following planning applications:

Reference: 13/02191/FUL (validated: 06/06/2013)  
Address: Barncroft Nurseries , Olden Lane, Ruyton Xi Towns  
Proposal: Change of use of land to outdoor caravan storage facility including the removal of existing polytunnels.

Council unanimously agreed to support the application on the grounds of being advantageous to tourism and the local economy. (Proposed: CC; Seconded AJ.)

Reference: 13/02617/FUL (validated: 02/07/2013)  
Address: Admiral Benbow, Church Street, Ruyton Xi Towns  
Proposal: Renewal of extant planning permission Ref: 10/01891/FUL for the erection of a detached bungalow

Council remarked on the lack of progress on the application which had been originally submitted in 2002; and had been renewed at regular intervals over the last 11 years 2007, 2010. The Council made no further comments. (Proposed CC Seconded AJ)

Reference: 13/02560/CPL (validated: 28/06/2013)  
Address: Collinswood, Low Bank Farm, Ruyton Xi Towns, Shrewsbury  
Proposal: Application for Lawful Development Certificate for the proposed siting of a transportable log cabin to be used as ancillary accommodation

Council noted the application and that comments were not required.

- b. Council to be informed of SC planning application decisions made recently:

Reference: 13/01103/FUL & 13/1104/LBC (validated: 25/03/2013)  
Address: Bridge Inn, Brownhill, Ruyton Xi Towns, Shrewsbury  
Proposal: Erection of a single storey extension and first floor extension to rear elevation (amended description) SC Decision: Grant Permission.

- c. Parish Plan Steering Group – The Chairman summarised the outcome of the AGM and commented that few residents had attended.

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### 57.13 LOCAL REPORTS

- a. Oswestry Area Com 25/6/13 – Cllr Case & Cllr Niddrie-Davies reported that he had found the meeting interesting and Cllr Case had been reappointed as SALC Exec representative.
- b. SC Planning Training Session – Councillors Niddrie-Davies & Sanders-Royle stated that they found the training session very disappointing.
- c. Parish Newsletter – The Chairman informed the Council that he had a draft newsletter and would be distributing hard copies via the Village Post Office.
- d. SALC – The Chairman updated the Council on events and meetings he had attended.
- e. Nesscliffe Advisory Group – Cllr Slowley reported that the group would next meet on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> July at 6.30pm. It was agreed that Gareth Parry should be thanked by the Council for his commitment to the area as he was relocating to a new area. Clerk to action.
- f. The Chairman announced that the Primary School's Headteacher Sandra Irish was retiring after having spent 20 years at the school. It was agreed that the Council would officially express its thanks for her commitment to the school and young people of the parish. Clerk to action.

### 56.13 HIGHWAYS & FOOTWAY LIGHTING – The following was reported:

- a. Belisha beacon still not working School side. Action Clerk to follow up.
- b. Council agreed to tidy Church Bank as reported by Cllr White and regularly maintain additional area of grass verge/bank at Birch Grove as highlighted by Mrs Walton. Action Clerk to send thank you to Mrs Walton & neighbours for maintaining the bank for so long. Contractor to be advised.

### 57.13 SC CONSULTATIONS

- a. SC Safer Roads Consultation – Council confirmed in retrospect the detailed submission made see Appendix B.
- b. SC SAMDev Consultation – Council made no comment in respect of the Oswestry Plan page devoted to Ruyton XI Towns however a comment was to be submitted in respect of Gobowen. Action Chairman to devise and circulate for approval before Clerk submitted to SC.

### 58.13 FINANCE

- a. Council resolved without dissent to authorise the payment of the following; instructing Cllrs Lewis and Case to check supporting paperwork and sign the cheques raised:

Chq No	Payee	Description	£
606	Post Office Ltd	First quarter tax and NI	430.23
607	V & W Electrics	April St lighting maintenance	125.23
608	D E Peate	April, May, June Village Maintenance	419.00
609	SALC	Planning Training Course (2 delegates)	40.00
610	*Baschurch PC	Grant towards Baschurch Fire Station Campaign – promotion of loss of service locally (Power LGA 1972 s137 s1)	100.00

(\* Proposed CC; Seconded AJ; Cllr RS abstained re chq 610.)

- b. Clerk provided a Treasury report as at 30-6-2013. The bank statement balance as at 28/6/13 £44,625.62. Monthly interest earned £9.15. The Clerk's salary payment (SO) made on 20/6/13 was confirmed as accurate per the bank statement by the Chairman.
- c. Cllr Niddrie-Davies agreed to independently check and report on the Bank reconciliation as at 30-6-2013, (which had been prepared by the Clerk) at the September meeting.

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- 59.13 CLERK'S UPDATE REPORT & COMMUNICATION – Council noted the Clerk's report as at Appendix A.
- 60.13 WAR MEMORIALWORKING PROJECT- Cllr Sanders Royle reported that two quotes were being obtained following full inspections of the memorial:
1. Mr John O Hare (Grinshill Quarry)
  2. Mr Kirkham (Baschurch)
- Council agreed the need to agree a full specification of work needed before proceeding further with the project. It was agreed that a draft would be circulated by Cllr Sanders Royle during August.
- 61.13 SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA – Urgent Items
- a. Re-Opening Baschurch Railway Station – The Chairman confirmed that the PC's support had been registered.
  - b. Council agreed to rearrange the date of the September meeting, given the Clerk's personal commitments. The meeting was rescheduled for Wed 4<sup>th</sup> September 2013 at 7.30 pm at The Memorial Hall. The Clerk expressed her gratitude.
  - c. Council confirmed that the village's hanging baskets were a huge success and provided kerb appeal and much pleasure to the community and visitors. It was agreed that the Council would formally express its gratitude to Mr Gittins and Mr Garbett for organising the project. Whilst it was agreed that the Clerk would be given the authority to make any necessary payment to the supplier during August.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 10.05 pm; stating that the next meeting would be held on Wed 4<sup>th</sup> September 2013 at 7.30 pm at The Memorial Hall.

Confirmed as accurate..... C CASE    Date.....

Chairman of Ruyton XI Towns Parish Council