

# RUYTON XI TOWNS PARISH COUNCIL

## OCTOBER 2012 MINUTES

A Parish Council meeting was held at Ruyton XI Towns Memorial Hall on Monday 1st October 2012 at 7.30 pm.

COUNCILLORS IN ATTENDANCE: Mr T. Allison; Mr A. Johnston; Mr C. Case (Chairman); Mr S. Gittins; Mrs M. Lycett; Mr M. Lewis; Mrs R. Slowley (Vice-Chair); Mrs A. White.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Shropshire Council (SC) Cllr Aggie Caesar-Homden; Clerk - Sue Hackett; 1 member of the public.

65.12 WELCOME BY CHAIR & APOLOGIES – The Chairman reported that apologies had been received from the following councillors:

Cllr Needham was unable to attend due to personal commitments.

Cllrs Hamlett and Brown were unable to attend due to work commitments.

These were accepted and approved by the Council. With the agreement of the Council, the Chairman brought forward item 69.12 as Cllr Caesar- Homden had another meeting to attend.

69.12 SHROPSHIRE COUNCIL – Cllr Caesar-Homden provided a verbal report which summarised the following:

- Outcomes of The Five Perrys LJC; and details of the next meeting to be held 8/11/12.
- Need for further details and reported accident statistics before being able to campaign effectively for improvements to A5 at Shotatton Cross Roads. *Action Clerk to obtain from West Mercia and forward both.*
- SC Supplementary Planning Policy introduced to encourage self-build affordable homes.
- Improvements to plastic recycling recently introduced.

66.12 PUBLIC SESSION – Mr Eccleston summarised his planning application which was to be considered at 70.12 a. The Chairman thanked him for his presentation.

67.12 COUNCILLORS DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST – None were declared.

68.12 CONFIRMATION & ACCEPTANCE OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES: Draft minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 20/8/12 were resolved without dissent as accurate by the Council and the Chairman instructed to sign them as such. (Proposed RS; Seconded TA.)

69.12 See above

70.12 PLANNING MATTERS

a. Council considered the following planning application:

Ref. No: 12/03756/FUL Validated: Mon 10 Sep 2012

Barncroft Nurseries Olden Lane Ruyton Xi Towns

Proposed: Change of use of agricultural land to touring caravan site, siting of associated infrastructure and service building & formation of new access.

Council agreed unanimously to support the application, which helped to sustain a local business enterprise and aided tourism in North Shropshire.

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(Proposed SG; Seconded CC.) *Action; Clerk to submit to SC.*

- b. The Clerk reported the following planning application decisions:

Ref. No: 12/03252/AMP Validated: Thu 02 Aug 2012

2 The Pikes Elbridge Ruyton Xi Towns Shropshire SY4 1JL

Proposed non material amendment - removal of garage/porch from planning permission 11/04454/FUL Status: SC Permission Granted.

Ref. No: 12/02884/DIS Validated: Mon 09 Jul 2012

Bridge Inn Brownhill Ruyton Xi Towns

Discharge of Conditions 2 (materials), 3 (floor levels), 4 (parking), 5 (drainage) and 7 (boundary treatment) attached to planning permission 10/02388/FUL Status: Discharge Conditions Approved by SC.

Ref No 12/02511/FUL Home Farm, Eardiston, West Felton.

Proposed two story extension. Status: SC Permission Granted.

The following applications remained pending a decision by Shropshire Council:

Reference: 12/03272/COU (validated: 02/08/2012)

Land Adjoining 4 Pradoc View, West Felton, Oswestry; Proposal: Change of use from agricultural land to domestic curtilage

Reference: 12/03085/FUL (validated: 09/08/2012)

Abbots Barn, Abbots Lane, Ruyton Xi Towns ; Proposal: Erection of wind turbine

Reference: 12/03060/FUL (validated: 23/07/2012)

Barn Opposite Elbridge Holding, Elbridge Proposal: Conversion of a redundant brick built farm building into a residential dwelling; erection of a detached garage.

### 71.12 LOCAL REPORTS

- a. Dunning Close & Bridge Inn Field Projects – Cllr Slowley provided an update and Council unanimously agreed that the grant of £2,500.00 should not be paid to SC until the rutted area at the Dunning Close site had been rectified. It was also agreed that Cllrs Slowley & Lycett would meet Clive Dean and Ray Parry on site to resolve a way forward to the satisfaction of all parties. Action Clerk to contact C. Dean.
- b. Local Joint Committee (LJC) – See Min 69.12 above.
- c. Nesscliffe Advisory Group – Nothing to report.
- d. Oswestry Town & Parish Meetings – The Chairman reported that he had attended the Area Committee Meeting on 20/9/2012 and that the Code of Conduct training provided by SC had been invaluable. However following some discussion it was agreed that a “grey” area regarding family members required further clarification. *Action Clerk to contact G. White.* The Chairman also reported that he had attended a SALC Executive Meeting; where he had been disappointed that SALC had not supported its parish councils in matters concerning SC Planning.

### 72.12 HIGHWAYS & FOOTWAY LIGHTING

- a. Shotatton Cross Roads A5 – See Min 69.12.
- b. V & W Correspondence – The Clerk reported on the correspondence regarding LED lighting; which the Council confirmed that they were not interested in at the present time.
- c. Local issues – a number of councillors reported issues with overgrown hedges which were privately owned. Action: It was agreed that for the present councillors

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would approach owners about the need for their maintenance. Cllr Slowley reported that the street lamp on School Road was once again malfunctioning. Action Clerk to report to V & W for repair.

### 73.12 FINANCE

- a. Payments – The Clerk presented suppliers invoices etc; which were authorised by the Parish Council for payment. (Proposed CC; Seconded RS). Cllr Lewis and Slowley were instructed to check and sign the supporting invoices with the exception of cheque number 321 made payable to SC which was cancelled.

Chq 317	Clerk	Quarterly Net Payment	£1,505.49
317	Clerk	Postage, Mileage, Broadband & Tele Costs per 1st quarter	£129.68
318	Post Office Ltd	Quarterly Tax & NI deduction	£377.52
316	The Three Parishes	Autumn Publication of PC Newsletter	£67.80
320	D Peate	Village Maintenance	£344.00

- b. The Clerk reported that as at 31/8/12 the bank balances was £41,859.77; and that she had recently received a cheque for £500.00 which she had yet to bank from Baschurch Junior Football Club.
- c. VAS Costs & Possible Donation by Packwood School – It was unanimously agreed that the report should be deferred to the February 2013 Council meeting.
- d. Council considered and agreed the Internal Audit Plan 2012/13 as presented by the Clerk and appointed Bernard Townson as Internal Auditor; based on his experience and past work.
- e. The Clerk reported that the external audit report 2011/12 had been positive, with no issues being raised and that she had organised the publication of the audited Annual Return 2011/12 on a notice board within the parish, together with the required Electors notice.

74.12 CLERK'S UPDATE REPORT & COMMUNICATION – This was noted by Council.

75.12 SC PLACE PLAN – Cllr Slowley gave the following report by Parish Plan Steering Committee in response to SC's request for update of the Place Plan.

- a. Review current entry, 2012/13 and priorities for CIL money.  
The PPSC considered the current Place Plan entry for our Parish and recommended that our priority remains a new village hall p102, and the following amendments:
- p100: Review of secondary school places – as our local secondary schools (Corbet and the Marches) have now achieved both Academy status and thus receive funding direct from central government, clarification is ought on whether local developer contributions should be used to improve capacity?
  - p101: Developer contribution towards play area – update as work now completed and money spent (Dunning Close).
  - p102: new notice board – add: replacement noticeboard needed outside the village hall because the old one was destroyed by bad weather.
  - p102-103: facilities for young people – 2<sup>nd</sup> sentence should be: Work has been completed on Doctor's Meadow and Dunning Close and in progress on Bridge Inn field.
  - p105: spelling error: Maelor

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- p106: developer contribution towards highway improvements – error in funding amount, is it £9,5000 or £9,500? Should improvements regarding Shevlock development be added?
- p106: traffic management – should funding from Shropshire Council and Highways Authority be added to potential sources of funding?

Additional points:

p103, 105: PPG17 Study relating to provision of green space, natural and semi natural open space – how has this been identified as a PRIORITY.

p105: community tree scheme – how much of the £5,000 is to be spent in our Parish and how and where?

### b. Timetable /Method of review for 2013/14

The PPSC recommended to the Parish Council that:

PPSC carry out a full review of our Parish Plan by questionnaire in Autumn 2014, ready for publication in 2015, subject to the outcome of further government legislation, outcome of pilot neighbourhood plans etc.

PPSC will begin the annual process to review the Place Plan and CIL priorities for 2013/14 at the Annual Parish meeting in April 2013; when it is intended to hold an extended public session to receive parishioner's comments, suggestions, ideas.

It is recommended that the

- Parish Council publish the main points from the current 2012/13 Place Plan entry in the December newsletter, with an explanation of its purpose, and an invite to the Annual Parish Meeting, and ask people to forward information in person, by phone, by email. Articles being published in the newsletter in the December and March newsletters.
- PPSC will then look at the responses and make recommendations to the Parish Council in Sept/October.

The above recommendations and methodology were adopted without dissent by the Council. (Proposed CC; Seconded SG.) *Action; Clerk to forward to SC PP Update.*

### 76.12 SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

- a. National Grid Pylon Project - Cllr Johnston gave a report on the meeting he had attended on 28/9/12. Following a report by the Chairman and some discussion Council agreed to support SNAP (Shropshire North Against Pylons). *Action; Clerk to respond.*
- b. Meeting Dates – Following a report by the Chairman; Council agreed to move with immediate effect meeting dates to the second Monday in the month.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.35pm and announced that the Council's next meeting would be held on 12<sup>th</sup> November 2012 at 7.30 pm at The Memorial Hall, Ruyton XI Towns.

Confirmed as accurate.....C Case Chairman Date.....