

## SEDGEBERROW PARISH COUNCIL

The minutes of Sedgeberrow Parish Council held at the Betteridge Room at Sedgeberrow Village Hall on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2012 at 7.15pm.

Present                      Cllr's Mrs M Pratt [Chairman], Mr R Hunt, Mr D Farmer and Mr A Stow.  
In Attendance              Ms J Shields (Clerk) and Mr M Parker.

**1. Apologies: To receive apologies and approve reasons for absence.**

Apologies were received and accepted from CSO Williams and Cllr Mr J De Paris.

**2. Declaration Of Interests.**

Councillors were reminded to update their register of interests and none were received for this meeting.

**3. To Consider The Adoption Of The Minutes Of The Meeting Held On 16<sup>th</sup> November 2011.**

The minutes having been previously circulated, were agreed as a true record and signed.

*The meeting was adjourned to allow Mr Parker to speak. The first edition of the Sedgeberrow Post had been delivered in November and is available on line. Over 32 adverts have already been placed towards this year's cost of printing in colour. Colour is an added attraction and hopefully it will not turn out to be too expensive".*

*The council took the opportunity to thank Mr Parker and the 'team' on behalf of the parish.*

The meeting resumed.

**4. Police.**

Crime figures for 1.10.2011-01.01.2012.

One theft - which has been detected.

One 'other' - which has not been detected.

In response to the letter to Chief Inspector Reakes-Williams, PC Shepherd will return to the Pershore Rural South Local Policing Area but to date no definite date has been given.

**5. County Councillor.**

Report Circulated.

**6. District Councillor.**

None received.

**7. Progress Reports For Information.**

a) Clerk.

Report Circulated.

b) Main Street Play Area.

The working group had met with Mr Redmond, work is due to commence in the spring, however access is a problem. The group had met with Lynn Stevens, Wychavon Parks Officer; the area is to be surveyed and plans for a ramp drawn up. On going.

c) Lengthsman.

Nothing to report, however the council agreed for the Chairman to speak to Mr Woodhouse regarding work to be carried out in the parish.

**8. Correspondence.**

No one was available to attend the Worcs. Budget Consultation on 18<sup>th</sup> January.

The council agreed not to submit a nomination for the Wychavon Bursary as the Chairman had been asked to be a Judge.

An E mail had been received from Sayaka SUZUKI (Ms.), Tokyo Kensetsu Consultants, a Japanese Company that are coming to visit the EA regarding 'flooding' they would also like to come to Sedgeberrow. The Chairman and Cllr Hunt are in contact with the EA and the company regarding the visit.

The council had considered the request for a 'Sports Relief Mile' this will be discussed at the next meeting.

The council has received several complaints regarding 'dog fouling of the pavement' and parking of vehicles on the footway. Neither of these problems are within the remit of the council,

however an item will be included on the 'Sedgeberrow Post' asking for residents to be mindful of their dogs and where they park their car.

Dog Fouling can be reported to the District Council

<https://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/myselfservice/fouling.aspx?partner=wdc>

For more information or to report an irresponsible owner see also

<http://www.wychavon.gov.uk/cms/community-and-living/animal-welfare/dog-warden/dog-fouling.aspx> or Environmental Services - Dog Warden.

Vehicles parking on the pavement causing an obstruction can be reported to the police.

<http://www.westmercia.police.uk/localpolicing/south-worcestershire/wychavon/pershore-rural-south-prs->

**9. To Discuss The Future Use Of The Telephone Box.**

Deferred due to lack of response from parishioners.

**10. To Discuss The Cleaning Of The War Memorial.**

CLlr Stow will arrange for the steps of the memorial to be cleaned. Quotes for the re-pointing of the plaque will be obtained.

**11. New Homes Bonus.**

The council agreed in principle for the 'New Homes Bonus' allocation for the year 2011-2012 to be used to help set up the newly formed 'Community Allotment Group'. CLlr Hunt will prepare documentation to be presented at the next meeting.

**12. Highway Matters.**

a) Grit Bins.

Two areas had been identified for bins, in progress.

The Chairman to contact Mr Lloyd Oswell regarding the notice board.

**13. Finance.**

a) To Receive Accounts To Date 31<sup>st</sup> December 2011.

Statement of accounts were presented to the council.

Remittances were received from Aon £1.61, Lengthsman £78.00.

b) To Approve Payments.

The council agreed the following payments:- Lengthsman £78.00, New Farms £57.60, Clerks Expenses £27.15, HMRC £113.60.

c) To Consider A Contribution To The Volunteer Centre.

The council agreed to donate £125.00 to the Volunteer Centre.

**14. Planning.**

a) To Consider Applications Since Last Meeting.

i. AB/11/02591/AB Oakwood, Sandfield Lane, Sedgeberrow. No objection.

ii. W/11/02815/ET Land adjoining 49 main Street, Sedgeberrow. No objection.

b) To Report Decisions Since Last Meeting.

Approved by Wychavon,

AB/11/02591/AB Oakwood, Sandfield Lane, Sedgeberrow.

11/000063/REG3C/c/11/02548/DD Sedgeberrow First School. Installation of roof mounted Photovoltaic panel System.

**15. Items For Future Agenda and Councillor Reports.**

Co Option of councillors.

Jubilee Celebrations – CLlr Farmer to investigate the number of children living in Sedgeberrow between the age of 5 -11 and the cost of Commemorative Mugs.

- Flood Group.

The Siren will be erected on to the roof of the pub, which will be activated from secure control at street level.

- Chairman.

Had attended on behalf of the council the Wychavon Area CALC meeting on the 'New Homes Bonus' and the 'Debriefing' meeting of the Wychavon Games, where the parish came 14<sup>th</sup>.

Will attend a meeting at the school regarding the schools use of the hall.

**16. Date Of Next Meeting.**

Annual Parish Assembly - Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2012

Parish Council Meeting - Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2012.