

SEDGEBERROW PARISH COUNCIL

The minutes of Sedgeberrow Parish Council held at the Betteridge Room at Sedgeberrow Village Hall on Wednesday 16th November 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) Cllr E Eyre (County), Mrs R Kirke (District) and Mr M Parker.

Cllr Farmer signed The Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

1. Apologies.

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 Thursday 8th September 2011.

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

The meeting was adjourned.

Mr M Parker thanked the parish council, Cllr Eyres, SeSeME and the flood group for their donations to the Sedgeberrow Post. The first issue will be delivered to households and be available on line, it is hoped that many people will receive it on line as it reduces the overheads.

The meeting was resumed.

4. Police.

Report received from CSO Williams.

Crime Figures Sedgeberrow Village	01/08/11-01/11/11	01/08/10-01/11/10
Burglary	No Crimes	Two Crimes
Burglary Non Dwelling	No Crimes	No Crimes
Vehicle Crime	No Crimes	No Crimes
Theft	One Crime	No Crimes
Criminal Damage	No Crime	One Crime
Assault	One Crime	Two Crimes
Other (motoring offences etc..)	Two Offences	One Offence

Since the last meeting the Chairman has informed me that there have been issues with youths congregating in vehicles playing loud music in the school car park late at night. Whilst on late's I have been patrolling the area but have not seen anyone, however, I will continue to monitor.

As you are probably aware West Mercia Police has a new telephone number which is '101' this is a non-emergency and replaces the 0300 3333000 (which is still in use). In relation to PC Shepherd, we still have not heard when he is due to come back. As soon as I hear anything I will be in touch.

Cllr Hunt reported vehicles travelling over cropped fields, they are believed to be poachers.

5. County Councillor.

County Cllr report will be E Mailed at the end of this month. Highlighted items - the Councils Warmer Worcestershire Campaign; Surgeries will be taking place to advice people with energy bills. Cllr Eyres has asked for all drains in the village to be jetted and will look into the missing concrete drain cover on the main road in which an unfortunate dog walker fell into.

6. District Councillor.

The councillor warned of various scams asking people to part with money. As a result of the finding of the Bredon Hoard, of which the coins contain no gold and very little silver, parishioners are reminded that permission from the land owner is required before using metal detectors on private land. If any one has any issues with the bus service please contact Mrs Kirke.

7. To Appoint Representatives To The Following.

- a) Village Hall.
Cllr Farmer was appointed.

8. Progress Reports For Information.

- a) Clerk. Enclosed.
- b) Main Street Play Area.
Meeting of this group will take place on the 28th November.
- c) Litter Pick.
The litter pick had been successfully carried out and checked by the Chairman, the parish funded bursary will be divided equally between SeSeME and the flood group.
- d) Telephone Box.
Parishioners will be asked for suggestions for future use of the box, Book library has been suggested; send your ideas to the parish council in time for the next meeting.
- e) Bus Service.
The issues reported after the last meeting have been addressed by the County Council and an extra bus has been provided at peak school times.

9. Correspondence.

The council agreed to donate £50.00 to the Severn Area Rescue Association.
Clerk to write to Superintendent Cullen with a copy to Chief Inspector Reakes-Williams and Inspector Kent regarding the return of PC Shepheards.

10. Highway Matters.

- a) Grit Bins.
The chairman had met the owners of Orchard Dene and a suitable place for a grit bin has been agreed, Cllr Hunt will take photo's and together with the chairman a map will be sent to Highways pinpointing the exact position for the three new grit bins,
- b) Litter Bin In Layby.
The clerk to write to Hinton Parish Council regarding the bin.
- c) Road Sweeper.
The chairman has been made aware that the road sweeper will now be operating in Sedgeberrow quarterly instead of monthly as a part of Wychavon effort to reduce costs. As a result the lengthsman has been asked to remove leaves from gullies and grates.

11. Finance.

- a) To Receive Accounts To Date 31st October 2011.
Remittance received Lengthsman £36.00 and Precept £4,750.00.
Accounts were presented to the council.
- b) To Approve Payments.
The following payments were approved: - Wychavon £25.00, PAYE £113.60, New Farms £230.40, Lengthsman £36.00, M Woodhouse (painting of Telephone kiosk) £210.00, Aon £22.14, Clement Keys £162.00, Flood Group £150.00, SeSeME £150.00, Severn Area Rescue Association £50.00, Wychavon DC £179.12 and Clerks Expenses £51.37.
- c) Precept.
Cllr Hunt proposed, Cllr Stow seconded and it was agreed to keep the precept at the same rate as the previous year, £9,500.00.
- d) Application for Rate Relief.
The council agreed to the rate relief of application No 500225556 of £179.12.
- e) Audit Report.

The council has received an unqualified audit opinion; the conclusion of audit notice will be placed on the notice board.

12. Planning.

- a) To consider applications since last meeting.
 - i. AB/11/02094/AB Oakwood, Sandfield Lane, Sedgeberrow, Extension to existing shed to house tractor etc for agricultural purposes. No Objections.
 - ii. W/11/02126/LB The Mill Bakery, Winchcombe Road, Sedgeberrow. Various alterations to Mill Bakery Cottage. No Objections.
 - iii. W/11/0063/REG3. Sedgeberrow First School. Installation of roof mounted Photovoltaic's panel System.
- b) To report decisions since last meeting.

Approved by Wychavon.

 - i. W/11/02126/LB The Mill Bakery, Winchcombe Road. Various alterations to Mill Bakery Cottage.
 - ii. W/11/01871/PP - Highfield Villa, 101 Winchcombe Road, Sedgeberrow.
 - iii. AB/11/02094/AB Oakwood, Sandfield Lane, Sedgeberrow, Extension to existing shed to house tractor etc for agricultural purposes.
- c) SWDP.

The council agreed not to comment.

13. Items For Future Agenda and Councillor Reports.

The Chairman had attended four Energy Events; the fourth highlighted the Sedgeberrow Bulk buying Oil Group.

The Chairman had laid the Poppy Wreath on behalf of the parish council.

The Flood group had a meeting with Harriet Baldwin MP regarding the ceasing of the governments agreement with Insurance Companies in 2013.

Cleaning of the War memorial.

14. Date Of Next Meeting.

Monday 23rd January 2011.