

The minutes of Sedgeberrow Parish Council meeting held at the Betteridge Room at Sedgeberrow Village Hall on Wednesday 20th March 2013 at 7.15pm.

Present Cllr's Mrs M Pratt [Chairman], Mr Farmer, Mr R Hunt and Mr J De Paris.
In Attendance Ms J Shields (Clerk), Cllr R Kirke (District), Cllr E Eyres (County) , Mr M Parker,
Mr D May and Mrs S Tebbutt

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

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr A Stow.

2. Declaration Of Interests.

Councillors were reminded to update their registers of interest and to declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI) and their nature.

3. To Consider The Adoption Of The Minutes Of The Meeting Held On Thursday 10th January 2013.

The minutes with amendments were agreed and signed.

The meeting was closed to allow parishioners to speak.

Mr D May asked if the council would support the 'Campaign for safer roads' for the A46 and to support the continuation of the cycle path to Ashton Under Hill.

Mr M Parker (SeSaMe) asked if the Parish Council would have a representative at the open meeting to be held on the 10th April and provided the council with a statement of accounts for the Sedgeberrow Post.

Mrs S Tebbutt informed the parish council that she would be speaking at the Wychavon Planning Committee meeting to be held on the 28th March, when the outline planning application W/12/02727/OU for land adjoining 49 Main Street, Sedgeberrow will be decided. Mrs Tebbutt thanked Cllr's Kirke and Eyres and the parish council for their help and advice.

The meeting was resumed.

4. Police.

No report.

5. County Councillor.

"Since I last attended the Annual Parish meeting two weeks ago on 11th March I have:-

- Written a draft summary re flood risks for the public session in respect of Planning Application No: W/12/02727/OU .
- Followed up on drainage work for houses in Winchcombe Road and outside the school.

I see the purchase for the activated sign to combat speeding has now gone through.

At County Hall West Mercia wide work is progressing to reduce drift and delay in adoption, we are extending our analysis of the costs of children in the Council's care, we are getting inspection ready re Children's Safeguarding and the work rolling out the preventative work with families in Wychavon is progressing - a provider to deliver real outcomes is being sought.

In Sedgeberrow we are celebrating a newly refurbished footway in Cheltenham Road."

6. District Councillor.

No update on last week report to the Annual Parish Meeting.

Cllr Kirke is working on behalf of the parish to have the outline planning application refused by Wychavon, unfortunately it has been reported that she is in favour of the application.

7. Progress Reports For Information.

- a) Clerk. Report Circulated.

As it is not in the remit of the parish council, the Clerk had notified Highways and the Chairman contacted Rooftop concerning the overspill of gravel on the footway from one property in Winchcombe Road.

The Clerk had responded as requested to the SWDP consultation, which has now ended.

b) Notice Board.

The council agreed for the notice board to be repaired.

8. Correspondence.

The council agreed for the parish to participate in the Wychavon Games.

The clerk to write a letter of support to Cllr Hardman regarding the A46.

Cllr De Paris will represent the parish at the SeSaMe meeting on the 10th April.

The Chairman asked members of the public to leave the room as one piece of correspondence was of a sensitive nature. The Clerk and Cllr Farmer will write letters in response as discussed.

Parishioners were asked to return.

9. Highway Matters.

a) VAS.

The Council has received an invoice from County Council Highways for the sign; the Clerk has applied for £1,000.00 from New Homes Bonus.

b) Litter Bins.

The installation of one new litter bin in the Jubilee Play Area, a large second hand bin by the bus stop and the small existing bin at the bus stop being moved to the Cheltenham Road was a fiasco, resulting in a dog bin being installed next to Anna Mackison's memorial bench. Wychavon had been informed and hopefully this will be satisfactorily resolved by the next meeting.

c) Cheltenham Road Footway.

The footway had been assessed by Highways and was to be repaired in 6 stages as funds allowed, however Highways have managed to repair the whole stretch in one go, the clerk to write and thank Cllr Eyres and Highways. Many parishioners have commented on how helpful and polite the workmen were.

d) Waiting Restrictions.

The Council unanimously agreed that the proposed yellow lines were unacceptable, since the article had been published in the Sedgeberrow Post, indiscriminate parking had been reduced. The council agreed to publish the proposed Yellow lines in the hope that villagers would reduce the parking themselves. Clerk to inform Cllr Eyre and Highways accordingly.

10. Finance.

a) To Receive Accounts To Date.

The accounts were received, the Chairman noticed two inconsistencies, pence, between the accounts and the minutes; they were typing errors in the minutes.

b) To Approve Payments.

The following payments were approved for payment:- St Mary's £1,000.00, Village Hall £36.00, VAS £3,000.00. Clerks Expenses £42.73, HMCR £113.60.

Parishioners have received their Council Tax for 2013/14, the Parish Council would like to point out that although the amount the parish council receives appears to have decreased it is receiving the same amount, and however the rest is made up of a Government Grant to Wychavon. At the time the precept was set, it was believed by the parish council that the whole amount would appear on the bill.

11. Planning.

a) To consider applications since last meeting.

None received.

b) To report decisions since last meeting.

Approved.

W/12/02804/PN - 50 Main Street, Sedgeberrow.

To go to Wychavon Planning Committee

W/12/02727/OU land adjoining 49 Main Street, Sedgeberrow.

c) W/12/02727/OU land adjoining 49 Main Street, Sedgeberrow.

The Parish Council held a Public Meeting regarding the outline planning permission for Main Street. From the public and councillors comments the response was sent to Wychavon opposing the application. Cllr Pratt had attended and spoken at Wychavon Planning Committee Meeting held on the 28th February, the planning committee deferred the item asking for a site meeting. The council agreed for Cllr Pratt to speak, on behalf of the parish council, at the next meeting to be held on the 28th March.

12. Items For Future Agenda and Councillor Reports.

Spillage of silage on the Cheltenham Road should be reported to Highways.

The Chairman had attended the New Homes Bonus Event held in February by Wychavon, the rules have changed, and any application for more than £1,000.0 will have to show community support.

Wychavon will also be reviewing the percentage available to the council in 2014.

The Chairman of Inkberrow Parish Council came to see the outdoor table tennis table in the Jubilee play area, which is proving to be a great success.

The Fire Brigade had been called out to a fire in the Jubilee area, fortunately none of the equipment had been damaged only scorch marks in the grass as a result of fires being lit in cans!

The Chairman asked Councillors to think about future projects for the New Homes Bonus Monies ie New Notice Board and if the outline Planning permission is passed 106 monies.

The Annual Parish Meeting had been poorly attended by parishioners, apart from Councillors and Council representatives there were two parishioners.

Item for future agenda – Dog Fouling.

13. Date Of Next Meeting.

Annual Parish Council meeting Wednesday 15th May at 7.15pm.