

SEDGEBERROW PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Sedgeberrow Parish Council Meeting held at the Betteridge Room in Sedgeberrow Village Hall on Thursday 10th July 2014.

Present Cllr's Mrs M Pratt [Chairman], Mr J De Paris, Mr C Devereaux-Little and Mr R Hunt

In Attendance Ms J Shields (Clerk), Mr G Poyner and Mr M Parker.

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

Apologies were received from Cllr's Cllr E Eyre (County), Mr D Farmer and Mr 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 the 29th April 2014.

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

Meeting was closed.

Mr Poyner brought to the council's attention the planning application at Toddington which could cause more HGV's going through Sedgeberrow.

SeSaME Feedback

- After Westminster changes to ECO money provision, that last year's Home Energy Survey was hoping to draw upon, it appears that the delay is over and County Council will have a scheme in progress after August. It is hoped Sedgeberrow residents will be able to draw upon the new scheme.
- SeSaME has been shortlisted in the Energy Section of the Wychavon Intelligently Green Award with winners to be revealed on the 16th July. Three residents will attend.
- SeSaME was invited to a Worcestershire Climate Change Workshop on June 20th, where Sedgeberrow was described as an example of good community practice. Two residents attended.
- Sedgeberrow Energy Co-operative Ltd has commissioned and received two reports with funds awarded by the Rural Community Energy Fund for their turbine feasibility study. A bid to extend funding, to investigate further questions that need to be explored before a serious proposal can be considered, is currently under consideration.
- An encouraging development for their residents is that Rooftop Housing has provided solar panels on four of their dwellings in Churchill road.

Mike Parker Sedgeberrow Sustainable and Manageable Energy

Meeting resumed.

Cllr Devereaux-Little signed the 'Acceptance of Office' and was welcomed on to the council.

4. Police.

No Report

5. County Councillor.

No report.

6. District Councillor.

No report

7. Progress Reports For Information.

a) Clerk.

Reported to Highways.

- The white lines at the junction of Millfield and the Winchcombe Road need repainting.
Comments from Worcestershire County Council 30-JUN-2014: This section is subject to a carriageway condition advisory and on the Local Works Team listing for attention. When the repairs are undertaken then the lining will also be reinstated.
- The Cheltenham Road between no 13 and the old police house is full of pot holes,
Comments from Worcestershire County Council
10-JUL-2014: Checked area - nothing identified that will take a satisfactory temporary repair.
- Potholes in Winchcombe Road.
Comments from Worcestershire County Council. 30-JUN-2014: This section is already on the Local Works Team advisory list. The recent inspection identified temporary pothole repairs.
- Missing cats Eyes in Cheltenham Road.
Comments from Worcestershire County Council – 7th July 2014.
Ongoing Service agreement with Ringway Contractors are looking to replace / renew areas with defective/ missing catseyes over the next few months, works will be included into ongoing catseye replacement programme.

b) War Memorial.

Cllr Devereaux-Little indicated he may be able to get another quote, the council agreed to circulate the new quote and to agree a company to undertake the work via E mail. Clerk to apply for £1,000 New Home Bonus Grant.

c) Lengthsman.

The council had received the signed agreements from Mr M Woodhouse for the financial year 2014-2015, VAS figures for the months Nov 2013-June 2014 and four invoices.

The council will be unable to Claim the March payment from the County Council, however the Council agreed to pay this from its own funds.

Clerk to remind Mr Woodhouse that invoices should be sent to the council at the end of every calendar month and the terms of the VAS agreement.

d) Village Clean up.

The village clean-up will be carried out by the Flood group and SeSaMe, scheduled to take place on the 6th September 2014.

8. Correspondence.

The council will not be recommending any building in Sedgeberrow for a Building design award.

Copies of drainage letters to residents had been received from Wychavon.

Bridge Meadow belongs to the 'Warmington Trust' which is run by the Agents 'Gusterson, Palmer and James' in Evesham, any correspondence regarding trees should be addressed to them.

The cycle path on the Evesham Road should be more clearly marked as cyclists as using the road – Clerk to forward to Highways Agency responsible for the road.

9. Highway Matters.

The new Highways hub is now up and running, one advantage is that each comment receives an E mail with an action.

The small grass area previously cut by the council and now cut by highways at the junction of Main Street and the Cheltenham Road, Chairman to ask the Lengthsman to cut at the same time as he cuts the opposite area.

Main Street will be closed from 11th August for 5 days.

Speeding in Main Street is a constant issue however this has been explored on many occasions and there seems to be no answer.

10. To Consider The Purchase Of A New Swing For The Main Street Play Area.

The council agreed to put this on hold for a year and to try to seek further funding streams.

11. To Consider The Purchase Of A Defibrillator.

The council agreed to obtain further quotes, the school governors are happy for it to be sited at the school/hall.

12. Finance.

a) To Receive Bank Reconciliation As At 30th June 2014.

The reconciliation was presented to the council.

No remittance had been received.

b) To Receive Accounts To Date.

c) To Approve Payments.

The council approved the following payments:-

S O J Shields £154.43 (June and July), W CALC £346.79, Clerks EXP £75.56, Ian Selkirk £85.00, HMRC 82.80, Village Hall £60.00, New Look Solutions £60.00 (June) and £120.00 (April and May).

The council agreed for the payment to the Wychavon Games to be raised between meetings.

13. Planning.

a) To consider applications since last meeting.

I. W/14/00840/PP - Wilmar, 9 Winchcombe Road, Sedgeberrow. Erection of new storage & utility building. No objection.

II. W/14/01094/PP - Applegarth, Sandfield Lane, Sedgeberrow. No Objection.

III. W/14/01079/PN - Land Adjacent, 79 Winchcombe Road. Proposed development of site to two detached 4 bedroom 8 person houses with detached double garages. Objection.

The proposed dwellings do not respect the single storey buildings adjacent the development site.

As such any building adjacent these boundaries should be of a similar scale in storey height to respect the existing context.

The proposed dwellings are situated in front of the existing building line and as such should be repositioned further back into the development area respecting this constraint. It maybe that the garages as single storey structures could be positioned to the side boundaries also.

A knock on effect of this would be to also provide more off road parking.

The 2 dwellings have the potential for at least 8 cars between the 2, obviously dependant on final occupiers, plus visitor provision also needs to be allowed to ensure there is no parking on the highway.

14/00759/CU 12 Main Street, Sedgeberrow, Evesham, WR11 7UF

Proposed conversion of former store room into tourist accommodation. The council is concerned about parking.

14/0030/

- b) To report decisions since last meeting.

Approved by Wychavon.

W/14/00734/PP - Manor House, 9 Main Street, Sedgeberrow.

W/14/00840/PP - Wilmar, 9 Winchcombe Road, Sedgeberrow.

W/14/01079/PN - Land Adjacent, 79 Winchcombe Road.

14. Items For Future Agenda and Councillor Reports.

The Chairman has

- Attended a Wychavon Area CALC meeting where the speaker was from the CAB, promoting the 'Community Champions' Scheme.
- Had contact Evesham Post office regarding a Mobile Post office, the council agreed for the chairman to continue investigating on behalf of the council.
- Had attended a meeting organised by Badsey and Alderton Parish Council regarding the increase of unwanted planning applications in the area, Peter Luff was in attendance and was very supportive.
- Completed and retuned the entrants for the Wychavon Games.
- With Mr M Parker had attended the 'Big60million' event promoting Solar Power at Willersey.

15. Date Of Next Meeting.

September 24th 2014

In future all meetings will take place on the second Wednesday in the month.

Nov 12th 2014, Jan 14th 2014, and March 11th 2014.