

# GREAT NESS and LITTLE NESS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Council Meeting of Great Ness and Little Ness Parish Council held on Zoom on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2020 at 7.30pm.

**Present** Cllr. Brooks (Chairman), Diggory, Mullis, Turner

**Absent:** Cllrs. Arthur, Gilbert, Nunn, Peters

**In attendance** Shropshire Councillor Ed Potter, public

**Clerk** Mrs R. Turner

## 20/2021 **PRESENT & APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies received and accepted from Cllrs. Arthur (work), Gilbert (technology issues) Nunn (technology issues). It was **RESOLVED** to confirm an extended period of absence for Cllr. Gilbert until the council can meet at a physical venue.

It was noted that Cllr. Bates had resigned and she was thanked for her service; the clerk will advertise the vacancy.

## 21/2021 **DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

None declared.

## 22/2021 **DISPENSATION REQUESTS**

None being sought.

## 23/2021 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION**

No public present.

## 24/2021 **MINUTES**

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the Annual Council Meeting dated 5<sup>th</sup> May 2020 as being a correct record and the chairman was instructed to sign them.

## 25/2021 **REPORTS**

### *a) Police Report*

Email received from army camp - for the third time during the lockdown period the Nesscliffe Training Area (that almost borders with Shrawardine) has been targeted by thieves and have stolen plant, hand tools and building materials belonging to a contractor that were erecting 2 x troop shelters on behalf of the MOD. Each incident was reported to the police but they have not attended the scene. It is understood that there has been a recent spike in theft in the Nesscliffe area. Camp had also reported that during the COVID 19 situation that Military personnel stopped non-essential training and as a result the Nesscliffe Camp and Training Area have been quiet. However, camp has now started to have troops that are in an operational role return to training in order to maintain their readiness. It is hoped that incursions onto the Training estate will cease once the military return.

Other issues noted were potential drug related activity at Nesscliffe Hotel Car Park and anti-social behaviour at the hill, including damage to badger setts. These matters have been reported to the police.

### *b) Shropshire Council*

Cllr Potter reported that SC's Covid-19 loss of income is in region of £30 million. The council is working on enabling businesses to open and allow social distancing. Road closures for 18 months to allow wider pavements. Schools have remained open albeit St Andrew's key worker children attending other schools in the Federation. Last Monday, R, Y1 and Y6 age groups opened, gone quite smoothly. Unlikely to introduce more children other than Y10 and Y12 pre-September.

The cemetery at Great Ness seems to be maintained better this year.

- c) *Youth Club* – no meetings held
- d) *Parish Councillor Reports* -it was noted that Cllr. Brooks had signed his declaration of acceptance of office, duly witnessed by the clerk, with social distancing having been observed.
- e) *Great Ness Charity* - an extension of 12 months has been granted by the Charity Commission. It was agreed to put forward Cllr. Peters as a replacement trustee following resignation of Cllr. Bates; appointment to be confirmed at next meeting
- f) *Clerk's Report*
  - Ditches Well Lane – ownership to be checked with SC Highways.
  - Hedge bus stop – have asked the landowner to address but Cllr. Diggory offering to address it if not.
  - Newsletter – not done yet. Agreed to delay until late July/August to tie in with Local Plan Review
  - Play inspections temporarily paused. A quote for required repairs was agreed.
  - Planning enforcement – boundary issue noted.

26/2021 **PLANNING NOTIFICATIONS – FOR INFORMATION**

- 1) 14/03797/OUT - Development Land West Of Oakfield, Nesscliffe, Shrewsbury, Shropshire  
Proposal: Outline application for the erection of 6 No dwellings (to include access)  
***Awaiting Decision***
- 2) 14/05257/FUL - Proposed Dwelling Adj. Hopton Farm, Nesscliffe, Shrewsbury, Shropshire  
Proposal: Erection of a Single Plot Exception (SPE) affordable dwelling and formation of access  
***Awaiting Decision***
- 3) 17/05151/EIA - Proposed Poultry Units NW Of North Farm, Felton Butler  
Proposal: Erection of four poultry rearing buildings, eight feed bins, biomass store and amenity building including landscaping and tree planting.  
***Awaiting Decision***
- 4) 19/01463/REM - Plot Adj. To No 4 Felton Butler Cottages, Felton Butler  
Proposal: Reserved Matters application pursuant 14/01327/OUT for the erection of a detached dwelling and garage to include access  
***Pending Consideration***
- 5) 19/03403/FUL - Phase Three Shrewsbury Houses, Ridgewood Road, Nesscliffe,  
Proposal: Erection of 10no houses on Phase 3 - plots nos. 34 - 43 (modification previously approved 17/01576/REM)  
***Awaiting Decision***
- 6) 19/04714/FUL - Proposed Development Land At Adcote School, Little Ness  
Proposal: Erection of 3No dwellings  
***Awaiting Decision***
- 7) 20/00142/FUL - Site Of Windsor Place, Pentre, Shropshire  
Proposal: Application under Section 73A of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 for the erection of a detached, two-storey replacement dwelling (modification of previously approved SA/09/0284/F)  
***Decision: Grant Permission***
- 8) 19/03403/FUL - Phase Three Shrewsbury Houses Ridgewood Road Nesscliffe  
Proposal: Erection of 31 houses to include 19 houses on phase 3 (modification to previously approved 17/01576/REM); 12 houses on the north part of phase 2 (now phase 2b) (modification to previously approved 18/04941/FUL) to include the provision of a new access road and replacement of 4 dwellings (previously plots 8-11inc) with 10 dwellings (on plots a-j inc) (an additional 6 dwellings)  
***Awaiting Decision***

- 9) 20/00581/FUL - Motor Fuel Limited, Service Station, Nesscliffe, SY4 1BZ  
Proposal: Erection of a coffee shop with a drive-thru; associated car, motorcycle and cycle parking; landscaping and associated works  
***Pending Consideration***
- 10) 20/01493/VAR & 20/01494/LBC - Barns Adjoining Ness Strange, Great Ness, SY4 2LE  
Proposal: Variation of condition number 2 (approved plans) attached to planning permission reference 17/02538/FUL Dated 29/11/2018 to allow design changes to the proposal  
***Awaiting Decision***
- 11) 20/01443/FUL - Nesscliffe Training Camp, Wilcott, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY4 1BH  
Proposal: Erection of 3No single storey accommodation blocks and associated external works  
***Awaiting Decision***

27/2021 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS & MATTERS– FOR COMMENT**

- 1) 20/01879/FUL - Oakfield, Great Ness, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY4 2LB  
Proposal: Erection of single storey and part first floor rear extension and portico to front elevation; internal and elevational alterations  
**Comments:** It was **RESOLVED** to object to the proposed revised plans as it's a very substantial increase on the size of the current property, and the need for the additional space has not been demonstrate, given that it is already a family home. The development is out of character with the Conservation Area.
- 2) 20/01934/FUL - 22 Valeswood Lane, Valeswood, Little Ness, SY4 2LH  
Proposal: Erection of two storey rear extension following demolition of existing, insertion of dormer window, porch and associated works  
**Comments:** It was **RESOLVED** to support as is a reasonable extension to a family home.
- 3) *Changes to financial contribution re application at Hopton Park & crossing signage*  
The developer had asked if the PC would agree to a reduction in the £20,000 contribution to community projects to £19,000 as they have been asked to provide £1,000 to Shropshire Council towards the Traffic Regulation Order to move the 30mph speed signage and gateway. It was **RESOLVED** to accept the revised commuted sum of £19,000.

The developer was also asking if the PC wish the crossing signage to be included on the traffic applications being made as part of the development but the parish council would have to pay for cost of maintenance, estimated cost provided by Berrys circa £4,000 for each sign, total £8,000. The clerk had found the signs for circa £600 each plus VAT online but would need an install cost and depends on proximity to electric connections etc. It was **RESOLVED** to take this forward by looking a traffic calming scheme, the first step being to identify a brief and potential consultants to approach to design a traffic calming scheme.

28/2021 **PARISH MATTERS**

- a) *Draft CIL EOI for pavement at Hopton Park* – clerk to make enquiries with Ffion Horton and PC may need to contribute towards it.
- b) *CIL EOI decision re community building feasibility study and to consider how to proceed with preparing a needs study* – meeting scheduled with Sean McCarthy, SC. Cllr. Brooks, the clerk and Cllr. Potter to attend. Cllr. Turner also said he has a colleague who may know about Sport England funding.
- c) *Mountain biking and visitor management Nesscliffe Hill* – increased activity welcomed but concern re managing different users and ensuring safety. Some mountain bikers' behaviour needs to be managed better. Ruyton XI Towns PC have suggested volunteers, warden and better signage. Cllr. Potter has liaised with people including Cllr. Lezley Picton, Leisure Portfolio Holder. Signage relies on people complying with it. Engagement is key and influencing all users' attitudes. Cllr. Potter had spoken to a regular bike user group whoa advised a lot of people are travelling to Nesscliffe who would normally go elsewhere for biking. It was agreed that Cllrs. Diggory, Turner, the clerk and reps from Ruyton XI Towns would meet with Cllrs. Picton, Potter and SC Countryside Team.
- d) *Bonfires* – a concern this time of year up on the hill and also had been one on the drovers road by Great Ness.

- e) *Drone flying* – recent incidents noted. It was agreed to notify RAF as this is on flight path and inform police.
- f) *Reports of other parish matters*
  - Slow signs on Wilcott Lane
  - Defibrillator
  - Signs re dogs off leads
  - Report of pet snake on hill
  - Wilcott area – weeds on pavements.

29/2021 **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

*Cllr. Turner left the meeting.*

- a) *Payments including payments made between meetings* – it was **RESOLVED** to approve the following:

<b>Ref</b>	<b>Payee</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>Method</b>	<b>Net</b>	<b>VAT</b>	<b>Gross</b>
P7-2021	Nesscliffe Youth Club	Transfer of club funds	BACS	£6,279.02	£0.00	£6,279.02
P8-2021	SCPF	Pension April	SO	£136.58	£0.00	£136.58
P9-2021	R Turner	Salary May	SO	£730.26	£0.00	£730.26
P9-2021	R Turner	Expenses	BACS	£101.81	£4.80	£106.61
P10-2021	G Taylor	Noticeboard, bus shelter repairs, weed spraying at play areas, padlocks for play areas	BACS	£707.95	£141.59	£849.54
P11-2021	HMRC	PAYE Q1	BACS	£152.22	£0.00	£152.22

*Cllr. Turner returned to the meeting.*

- b) *Income received* – none.
- c) *Amendment to asset register* – it was **RESOLVED** to agree the amended asset register and amend the AGAR, total asset value of £14,215.

30/2021 **CORRESPONDENCE** – noted as follows:

- a) *SALC Info Bulletins*
- b) *Training courses* – Community Engagement \_ Cllrs. Mullis, Brooks and clerk to attend.
- c) *Covid-19*

31/2021 **NEXT MEETINGS**

- a) *July meeting date* – it was **RESOLVED** to move the meeting to 4<sup>th</sup> August to tie in with the Local Plan consultation.
- b) *Items for next meeting agenda- to note requests*
  - Needs study for community hub
  - Portacabin disposal – estimates for its disposal