

GREAT NESS AND LITTLE NESS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual Parish Council meeting of Great Ness and Little Ness Parish Council held in Nesscliffe Village Hall on Tuesday 9 May 2017 at 7.30pm.

Present Cllr David Nunn (**Chairman**), Cllrs Mike Arthur; Phil Brooks; Miss Eleanor Gilbert; Leon Lyall and Miss Sue Peters.

In attendance Anne Chalkley (Clerk/RFO); Shropshire Councillor Ed Potter Shropshire Council. Public

01/17 **ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN**

- a) Members to elect a Chairman of the Council – It was **PROPOSED** by Cllr Brooks and **SECONDED** by Cllr Miss Peters that Cllr Arthur is elected Chairman. **ALL AGREED.**
- b) The Chairman to sign Declaration of Acceptance of Office. Cllr Arthur accepted the nomination and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

Cllr Arthur took the chair and welcomed our newly elected Councillor Leon Lyall to the meeting.

02/17 **ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN**

- a) Members to elect a Vice Chairman of the Council – It was **PROPOSED** by Cllr Nunn and **SECONDED** by Cllr Miss Gilbert that Cllr Brooks is elected Vice Chairman. **ALL AGREED.**
- b) The Vice Chairman to sign Declaration of Acceptance of Office. Cllr Brooks accepted the nomination and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

03/17 **DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE** – The Clerk handed out to all remaining Councillors the Declaration of Acceptance of Office to sign as this is a requirement by law after a Local Election. All remaining Councillors completed the form and handed them back to the Clerk.

04/17 **TO ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** – Community Action Officer Mathew Mead.

05/17 **DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS** – None.

06/17 **DISPENSATION** – None

07/17 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION** – *A period of 15 minutes is set aside to allow the public the opportunity to speak on an agenda item.*

Resident asked about the Adcote Bridge and costings. The Chair said this will be discussed under the agenda item 22/17.

08/17 **MINUTES** – It was **RESOLVED** to approve and sign the minutes dated 4 April 2017.

09/17 **REPORTS** – To consider the following reports:

- a) Clerks progress report – Nothing to report.
- b) Police Report – Police Reports can be found on the website. – The Chairman reported that he had gone through the last Police Report and had noted that out of all the areas covered, we were the only one with Zero incidents. He then handed over the meeting to CSO Tim Griffiths. Tim reported that rural crime was on the increase especially in Bicton with business properties being targeted and recommended that the residents purchase a shed alarm to help with this problem. He realised that a lot of people were going on-line to purchase their items and some could be scammers. He told the meeting that even if you see a padlock on the screen for that site, it may not be secure. He had recently learned to look for the letter 's' after the hppt/ and this means that this particular site is secure. Zia Robins reported that the signs on Nesscliffe Country Park were being taken down and destroyed.
- a) Shropshire Council Cllr Ed Potter reported this was his very first report and thanked all present for voting for him in the Local Elections and I am here to work for you over the next four years. Not a lot to report as I am in the early stages of induction and we are waiting to see who will be the leader of Shropshire Council on Monday. The General Election is on the 9 June. Lots of councillors had retired and there are lots of new faces. Please email me on ed.potter@shropshire.gov.uk.

- 10/17 **APPOINTMENT OF PARISH COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES –**
- a) Local Joint Committee – (Present: Left open for all councillors)
 - b) Shrewsbury & Atcham Area Committee – (Present: Left open for all councillors)
 - c) Village Hall Committees – (Present - Cllrs Arthur and Gilbert)
 - d) Youth Club Management Committee – (Present Cllrs Gilbert)
- 11/17 **MEMBERS TO ADOPT THE FOLLOWING –** It was **RESOLVED** to adopt the following:
- a) Standing Orders
 - b) Financial Regulations
 - c) Annual Risk Assessment
 - d) Assets Register
 - e) General Power of Competence
- 12/17 **PLANNING – Planning Notifications (for information only)**
- 1) **14/03797/OUT** - Development Land West Of Oakfield, Nesscliffe, Shrewsbury, Shropshire - Outline application for the erection of 8No dwellings (to include access). **Awaiting decision.**
 - 2) **14/05257/FUL** - Proposed Dwelling Adj Hopton Farm, Nesscliffe, Shrewsbury, Shropshire - Erection of a Single Plot Exception (SPE) affordable dwelling and formation of access – **Awaiting decision.**
 - 3) **16/00670/REM** - Proposed Development Land West Of Nesscliffe Hotel, Nesscliffe, Shrewsbury, Shropshire - Outstanding reserved matters application in relation to appearance, layout and landscaping further to outline approval 12/00821/OUT and reserved matters approval for scale 13/02901/REM. **Awaiting decision.**
 - 4) **16/03413/REM** - Proposed Residential Development Opposite The Crescent, Nesscliffe, Shrewsbury, Shropshire - Reserved Matters pursuant to Outline planning application 13/04757/OUT (landscaping, scale, appearance and layout) for residential development of 30 dwellings. **Awaiting decision.**
 - 5) **Reconsultation due to Amendment on application 16/00670/REM** - Land West Of Nesscliffe Hotel - Outstanding reserved matters application in relation to appearance, layout and landscaping further to outline approval 12/00821/OUT and reserved matters approval for scale 13/02901/REM. **Awaiting decision.**
 - 6) **16/04148/FUL** - Land At Hopton, Nesscliffe, Shrewsbury, Shropshire - Erection of earth sheltered eco house; formation of vehicular access; installation of septic tank with access and detached double garage (amendment to 14/03858/FUL) – **Awaiting decision.**
 - 7) **16/04594/EIA** Erection of two additional poultry rearing buildings and one general purpose agricultural building, plus associated hardstanding and work - Foxholes Farm, Little Ness, Shrewsbury. **Awaiting decision.**
 - 8) Reconsultation due to Amendment on application 16/03413/REM - Proposed Residential Development Opposite The Crescent -Reserved Matters pursuant to Outline planning application 13/04757/OUT (landscaping, scale, appearance and layout) for residential development of 30 dwellings. **Awaiting decision.**
 - 9) **17/00195/VAR106** - Residential Development Land To The NW Of, Little Ness, Shrewsbury, Shropshire- Variation of Section 106 for planning application 14/02026/OUT to remove the requirement to contribute towards affordable housing. **Awaiting decision.**
 - 10) **17/00004/FUL** - Proposed dwelling North of 18 Valeswood Little Ness. Proposal: Erection of 1 no dwelling. **Withdrawn.**
 - 11) **16/05255/FUL** - Proposed Holiday Let Units at Windy Ridge, Alderton, Nesscliffe, Shrewsbury - Erection of 2 No. holiday lets including change of use of land. **Awaiting decision.**

- 12) **17/00282/FUL** - Proposed Residential Development Land Adj Crosshills, Nesscliffe, Shrewsbury, Shropshire -Erection of 3No. dwellings including the formation of a new access (revised scheme). *Awaiting decision.*
- 13) **17/00574/FUL** - Acksea Barn, Kynaston, Kinnerley, Oswestry, Shropshire, SY10 8EF - Erection of single storey rear extension. *Awaiting decision.*
- 14) **17/00504/FUL** - Land Adj To A5, Kinton, Shrewsbury -Erection of an agricultural workers dwelling and installation of septic tank. *Awaiting decision.*
- 15) **17/01038/FUL** - Land Adjacent Keepers Cottage, Fairview, Kinton, Nesscliffe, Shropshire - Formation of an agricultural vehicular access to include formation of visibility splay. *Grant permission.*
- 16) **17/01201/FUL** - Land To The North Of Acksea Cottage, Kynaston, Kinnerley, Oswestry, Shropshire, SY10 8EF - Erection of four log cabins and change of use of land. *Awaiting decision.*

13/17 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS** – No planning applications received.

14/17 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS** – *To consider any other planning application received after the issue of the agenda (to be notified at the meeting)*

Reconsultation due to Amendment on application 16/03413/REM - Proposed Residential Development Opposite The Crescent

Proposal: Reserved Matters pursuant to Outline planning application 13/04757/OUT (landscaping, scale, appearance and layout) for residential development of 30 dwellings.

Decision: After discussion it was **AGREED** to refuse this planning application on the grounds that it is not within our Parish Plan and what the Council and the previous objections.

15/17 **PARISH MATTERS** –

- a) Little Ness War Memorial damage to wall update – Cllr Nunn offered to speak to a builder.
- b) Replacement notice board for Little Ness – The Clerk reported that the notice board will be ready to be installed very soon and she will chase up Nibletts.

16/17 **PAYMENTS TO BE APPROVED** – It was **RESOLVED** to approve and signed the payments.

Cheque No	Payment to	Description	Net	VAT	Gross
10519	SDH Accounting	Internal Audit	125.00	0.00	125.00
10520	Niblett Ltd	Notice Board	690.00	138.00	828.00

17/17 **PAYMENTS** – It was **RESOLVED** to approve the payment that arrived after the agenda had been sent out.

Cheque No	Payment to	Description	Net	VAT	Gross
10521	Graham Taylor	Churchyard grass cut	70.00	14.00	84.00
10522	Zurich	Insurance Renewal	597.29	0.00	597.29

It was reported that the grass cuttings were not being collected and the Clerk was asked to contact Graham Taylor to find out if this was in the contract.

18/17 **FINANCE** – It was **RESOLVED** to approve the following:

- a) Bank Reconciliations to March 2017
- b) Receipts and Payments March 2017
- c) Bank Statement/s

19/17 **END OF YEAR ACCOUNTS** – It was **RESOLVED** to sign off the End of Year Accounts for 2016-17.

- a) Annual Governance Statement 2016/17
- b) Accounting Statement 2016/17
- c) Internal Audit Report 2016/17 – The report was noted.

- 20/17 **INSURANCE RENEWAL** – After discussion it was **RESOLVED** to renew the Parish Council's insurance with Zurich as from the 1 June 2017 for one year only.
- 21/17 **YOUTH CLUB** – Cllr Miss Gilbert reported the numbers were still increasing. The members discussed contacting Baschurch and Ruyton XI Towns Parish Councils to ask for a contribution towards the Nesscliffe Youth Club as almost half of the youth come from these areas. It was also **AGREED** that Cllr Brooks write to Shropshire Council regarding the funding of the Youth Service.
- 22/17 **COLLAPSE OF ADCOTE MILL BRIDGE** –The Chair read out the email from Shropshire Council Richard Knight regarding the cost of the bridge.

The costs that I sent you on the 4th April are still relevant. I have copied them below as a reminder (in black script):

- The cost estimate to replace the bridge like for like is in the region of £75,000.
- The cost estimate for a single span steel bridge with timber deck and handrail is in the region of £35-40,000
- I still await final costs for a single span bridge on the Unclassified County Road to the east, but it is looking similar to the cost of installing it at the Mill.
- Although this last estimate has been sought for a bridge on the road to the east, it is for information only at present, as the current feeling is that installing a bridge here will not satisfy Shropshire Council's statutory duty as it will effectively extinguish the bridleways through the Mill and leave other routes unconnected. I have sought this estimate anyway so decisions are fully informed.

I am now taking these figures to Senior Management, Councillors and our legal department for further advice on how to proceed.

- 23/17 **CO-OPTION OF PARISH COUNCILLOR** – The Clerk reported that Mr Graham Cheal had decided not to be co-opted onto the Parish Council due to ill health.

24/17 **ANY URGENT BUSINESS NOT COVERED BY THE AGENDA**

The street lights were discussed and it was agreed to add this to the next agenda and Councillors bring to the next meeting some ideas.

25/17 **CORRESPONDENCE – Noted.**

- a) 2017/18 Council Tax Payments
- b) Remittance Advice Precept 2017/18
- c) HMRC VAT refund

- 26/17 **NEXT MEETING** – 6 June 2017 at 7.30pm in Nesscliffe Village Hall

Meeting Closed: 8.30pm.