

GREAT NESS AND LITTLE NESS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of Great Ness and Little Ness Parish Council held in Little Ness Village Hall on Tuesday 3rd October 2017 at 7.30pm.

Present Chair: Cllr Phil Brooks (**Vice-Chairman**), Eleanor Gilbert and Sue Peters.

In attendance Rebecca Turner (Clerk/RFO); Shropshire Councillor Ed Potter. Public: 4

90/17 **TO ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Received and accepted from Cllr. Arthur (holiday), Cllr. Nunn (no reason given), Cllr. Pearce (holiday).

91/17 **DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

None declared.

92/17 **DISPENSATIONS**

No dispensations being sought.

93/17 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION**

Some members of the public spoke objecting to application 17/04153/FUL, The Garage, Adcote Mill, proposed change of use from workshop to form a self-contained dwelling with side extension. The Clerk advised that this item will not be considered as the application has not been fully validated.

It was reported that potholes require repairing at Bonny Lane, Adcote. Clerk to report to Perry Muir.

The subject of Adcote Mill Bridge was raised and it was reported that contracts are being issued for a modern white bridge. The preference was for a historically sympathetic structure.

A member of the public spoke on behalf of Nesscliffe Hills and District Bridleways Association in relation to application 17/04319/REM, Development East Of Stoneycroft, Valeswood, Little Ness, approval of reserved matters (access) pursuant to permission 15/00560/OUT for the erection of one dwelling. The access proposed uses the bridleway and this is unacceptable for bridleway users. It was noted that the Bridleways Association have responded to the consultation.

It was also reported that the Earl of Bradford is seeking to sell The Cliffe and there is a public meeting at Ruyton XI Towns Parish Council this evening regarding this.

94/17 **MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 5TH SEPTEMBER 2017**

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes as being a correct record and they were duly signed by the chairman of the meeting.

95/17 **REPORTS**

- a) *Clerk's progress report* – nothing to report.
- b) *Police Report* – none received.
- c) *Shropshire Councillor – Ed Potter* – A meeting in regard to youth funding with the SC Portfolio Holder, is being arranged for 2nd November. Cllr. Potter also drew the council's association to a consultation on a North West Relief Road which is due to commence shortly and may help alleviate some of the "rat run" routes currently used to get to Shrewsbury.
- d) *LJC* - Cllr. Brooks had attended the recent LJC meeting. At its recent meeting, the LJC agreed that youth, traffic and planning issues are common concerns and by working together it is hoped that the LJC can be a collective voice on these matters.
- e) *Town & Parish Council Forum* - The clerk had attended a recent meeting of the forum. Key topics relevant to the parish were future grants for youth funding and environmental maintenance grant, review of Place Plans and the re-letting of the Ringway highways maintenance contract. Copies of the minutes will be circulated to the council once available.

- 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) **16/03413/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.***
- 4) Re-consultation 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.***
- 5) **17/01576/REM** - Phase 2 Proposed Residential Development Opposite The Crescent, Nesscliffe, Shrewsbury, Shropshire - Approval of reserved matters (appearance, landscaping, layout and scale) pursuant to permission 14/03357/OUT for the erection of 48 no. dwellings and associated garaging. ***Awaiting decision.***
- 6) **17/02539/LBC** - Ness Strange, Great Ness, Shropshire, SY4 2LE - Conversion of traditional buildings into 6 residential dwellings and siting of a mini sewage treatment plant. ***Awaiting decision.***
- 7) **17/02538/FUL** - Ness Strange, Great Ness, Shropshire, SY4 2LE - Conversion of tradition building into 6 residential dwellings and siting of a mini sewage treatment plant. ***Awaiting decision.***
- 8) **17/02260/VAR106** - Land At, Wilcott, Shrewsbury, Shropshire - Variation of Section 106 for planning application number (14/02242/OUT) to reduce the level of affordable housing contribution. ***Awaiting decision.***
- 9) **17/02669/VAR106** - Proposed Residential Development Land At, Wilcott, Shrewsbury, Shropshire - Variation of Section 106 for planning application number (14/01945/FUL) to reduce the level of affordable housing contribution. ***Awaiting decision.***
- 10) **17/03106/FUL** - Little Orchard , Adcote Lane, Nib Heath, Shrewsbury, SY4 2JX - Erection of extension to timber clad, steel framed outbuilding. ***Grant Permission.***
- 11) **17/03414/VAR106** - Land Adj. Little Ness Village Hall, Little Ness, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY4 2LG - Variation of Section 106 for planning application number 13/03505/FUL to remove the requirement to contribute towards affordable housing. ***Awaiting decision.***
- 12) **17/03471/FUL** - 17 Kingsway, Wilcott, Shrewsbury, SY4 1BG - Erection of a single storey front extension to replace existing porch. ***Awaiting decision.***
- 13) **17/03473/FUL** - 24 Valeswood, Little Ness, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY4 2LH - Erection of a detached dwelling. ***Awaiting decision.*** The Clerk was asked to follow up on progress in regard to a revised drawing for the access to the existing dwelling being submitted in relation to this application.
- 14) **17/02960/FUL** - Great Ness Dryers Caravan Storage, Warehouse And Office, Rodefern Lane, Great Ness, Montford Bridge, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY4 1AT - Erection of detached dwelling with detached garage following demolition of agricultural/industrial buildings former grain store. ***Awaiting decision.***

97/17 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

- 1) **Reference: 17/04198/TPO** (validated: 30/08/2017)
Address: Stable View , 19A Valeswood Lane, Valeswood, Little Ness, SY4 2LH
Proposal: Fell a line of 14 Lombardy Poplars protected by Shrewsbury and Atcham Borough Council (Valeswood Herb Farm, Great Ness) Tree Preservation Order 1987
Applicant: Mr Gary Bould

Comments: It was **RESOLVED** to support the application as it was noted that the trees are coming to the end of their life and will be replaced by native species.

- 2) **Reference: 17/04153/FUL** (validated: 12/09/2017)
Address: The Garage , Adcote Mill, Adcote, Little Ness, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY4 2JZ
Proposal: Proposed change of use from workshop to form a self-contained dwelling with side extension
Applicant: Mr P Woodbine (32 Ivy House Lane, Coseley, Bilston, WV14 9JU)

Comments: This application was not considered as it had not been validated.

- 3) **Reference: 17/04319/REM** (validated: 06/09/2017)
Address: Development East Of Stonecroft, Valeswood, Little Ness, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY4 2LH
Proposal: Approval of reserved matters (access) pursuant to permission 15/00560/OUT for the erection of one dwelling
Applicant: Mr & Mrs Robinson (26 Alexandra Avenue, Meole Brace, Shrewsbury, SY3 9HT)

Comments: It was **RESOLVED** to object to the application as the access goes along part of the bridleway over which there is no vehicular right of access. The council also endorsed the concerns raised by the Bridleway Association and shares these concerns.

98/17 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AFTER THE ISSUE OF THE AGENDA**

None.

99/17 **PARISH MATTERS –**

- a) *Library Consultation (expiry date 6 October)* – noted.
b) *Parking Consultation (expiry date 17 October)* – noted. This does not directly affect the parish but there was concern regarding impact on Shrewsbury Town Centre.
c) *Contribution to Nesscliffe Country Park – email from Mark Blount* – deferred as Mr Blount had advised that the council does not need to make a decision on this until it sets its budget as the contribution request applies to the 2018/19 financial year.
d) *Traffic Calming* – no update.
e) *Two charities linked to St Andrews Church, Great Ness, ratification of two trustees* – Cllr. Peters explained that the charity has very modest funds which are available for the poor but they have not been distributed in recent years. It was agreed to defer appointing two trustees until more councillors are present.
f) *Parish Plan Review* – the Clerk advised that Shropshire Council is about to consult on the Local Plan Review. As part of this, she recommended that the council consider if the Parish Plan needs to be updated, as this would help identify local planning guidelines and infrastructure/community requirements. She suggested holding a public meeting about the Local Plan Review and Parish Plan Review in November and was asked to organise this.
g) *RoSPA Report* – The clerk summarised the report for Nesscliffe play area and the BMX track and said that she would obtain quotes for the work. There had been a misunderstanding on the part of Shropshire Council in relation to the Wilcott Play Area RoSPA inspection and as a result it had not been completed. The clerk was seeking a quote for this and will ask Shropshire Council to contribute towards the increased cost as a result of the inspection being ordered late. The clerk also recommended that the Council consider using Shropshire Council's monthly inspections service so that qualified inspectors check the equipment regularly. Councillors present felt this would be worthwhile and the clerk was asked to obtain costings for this.
h) *Recruitment of councillors* – it was noted that there are still three vacant seats for Great Ness ward. The Clerk said that in other parishes having a Facebook presence had helped to attract

new councillors and it was agreed that she would set up a Parish Council page and bring guidelines for its operation to the next meeting for approval. It was also agreed to advertise for new councillors in local publications, such as the school newsletter, Yoland Brown's newsletter and signs around the parish.

- i) *To receive reports of other parish matters (for information only)* – it was reported that the hedge at the bottom of the new part of The Crescent needs cutting. Clerk to report to Perry Muir. Perry Muir had also advised that the visibility splay by the bridge over the Nesscliffe bypass junction will be cleared in the next week.

100/17 **FINANCE**

- a) *Bank Reconciliations to August 2017* – noted, the reconciled balance being £39,622.92 in the current account and £10,970.69 in the Playing Fields/Youth Club account.
 b) *Receipts and Payments August 2017* – noted as per the bank reconciliation.
 c) *Bank Statement/s* – balances noted as per the bank reconciliation.
 d) *Payments* – it was **RESOLVED** to approve the following:

Cheque No	Payment to	Description	Net	VAT	Gross
10537	SYA	Period 1.10.17- 31.03.18	1750.00	0.00	1750.00
DD (10538 void)	Scottish Power	Final invoice Street Lights	22.80	1.14	23.94
DD (10539 void)	ICO	Data Protection renewal	35.00	0.00	35.00
10540	Graham Taylor	Cemetery grounds maintenance	140.00	28.00	168.00
10541	Great Hanwood PC	Lease of office equipment	55.20	0.00	55.20

- e) *Transparency Grant* – it was agreed to apply for transparency grant funding for staff time updating the website and software.

101/17 **YOUTH CLUB** – Cllr. Brooks and Gilbert gave a brief report (see LJC report above also). It was noted that Ruyton XI Towns Parish Council has donated £500. There are currently circa 30 to 40 children on roll and it was agreed to find out how many children attend the club from Baschurch and to approach Baschurch Parish Council again for funding.

102/17 **COLLAPSE OF ADCOTE MILL BRIDGE** – no update from Shropshire Council. Clerk to contact Richard Knight for an update and express a preference for a historically sympathetic replacement bridge.

103/17 **TRAINING COURSES** – the Clerk reported that she would be attending training on finance, the GDPR and councils as employers. It was agreed to share the costs with the other councils the clerk works for.

104/17 **ANY URGENT BUSINESS NOT COVERED BY THE AGENDA**

105/17 **CORRESPONDENCE**

- a) *Shropshire Council Community Enablement Team letter* – noted that the team would be charging for some specific services, such as preparing funding bids and project managing Neighbourhood Plans. However, the majority of the team's work would continue to be carried out free of charge to councils.

106/17 **NEXT MEETING**

- a) *7 November 2017 at 7.30pm in Nesscliffe Village Hall*
 b) *To note requests for agenda items from councillors* – none.

107/17 **EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC** - To pass resolution to exclude the press and public under Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, so as to discuss the following confidential matter.

108/17 **CLERK** – the council considered the clerk's contract and it was noted that some amendments are needed. Therefore, the contract will be brought to the next meeting for approval.

