

MINUTES OF WOORE PARISH COUNCIL **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

MONDAY 12th MAY 2014
HELD AT WOORE VICTORY HALL

PRESENT

Cllr Clifford, Cllr Allison, Cllr Helen Blake, Cllr Malcolm Blake, Cllr Hammersley, Cllr Lightfoot, Cllr Moore (Cllr Moore joined the meeting at 7.35 p.m.) and Cllr Woodcock (Cllr Woodcock joined the meeting at 7.30 p.m.).
SC Cadwallader (SC Cadwallader joined the meeting at 8.00 p.m.)
The Clerk Mr S W Knobbs.

14001 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence received from Cllr Cartwright due to illness and Cllr Ford due to work commitments, these apologies for absence were accepted.

14002 OPEN FORUM

The Chair proposed to suspend standing orders for the duration of item 14002, this was supported and the Chair declared the Open Forum open.

Paul Hawkins thought Shropshire Council grass cutting was very poor. The cuttings were not being collected when it was done and perhaps it could be done more.

The Chair agreed that the Parish could perhaps cut in between, but would need to know the schedule. This would be included as an agenda item for the next meeting.

Chris Jeffries said we are entitled to six cuts per year by Shropshire Council.

Chris Jeffries spoke about difficulties with the recycling facilities on the Swan public house car park; he said that 24 bags of clothing had been dumped by the recycling containers. The Clerk to make contact with the collection company and chase up.

Chris Jeffries said that consideration should be given to changing the eight months for the lengthsmen to April - November and not March - October as present, he felt that November was a month that still required clearing up and that the village needed to be good for remembrance Sunday. Cllr Moore agreed and thought perhaps November should be included as an additional month, this be included as an agenda item for the next meeting.

Robin Rigby read out a letter dated 15th January 2014, which had not been received by the Clerk regarding dog waste on the cricket field of Woore Cricket Club. He asked if help could be given as it was an ongoing problem and could the Parish Council obtain a dog control order to prevent it. After discussion, it was agreed that the Parish Council could not do that because the cricket field is private ground owned by Woore Cricket Club.

14003 ELECTION OF CHAIR

Cllrs resolved to elect Cllr Clifford as Chair.

14004 ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR

Cllrs resolved to elect Cllr Hammersley as Vice Chair.

14005 DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE BY CHAIR

Cllr Clifford read and signed the declaration of office.

14006 TO APPOINT REPRESENTATIVES TO THE FOLLOWING BODIES:-

a) **SALC**

Cllrs resolved to appoint Cllr Helen Blake and Cllr Malcolm Blake.

b) **WOORE UNITED CHARITIES**

Cllrs resolved to appoint Cllr Allison and Cllr Cartwright.

c) **WOORE VICTORY HALL**

Cllrs resolved to appoint Cllr Helen Blake alone, there remains a vacancy.

d) **LOCAL JOINT COMMITTEE**

Cllrs resolved to appoint Cllr Clifford.

e) **NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH LIAISON**

Cllrs resolved to appoint Cllr Hammersley alone, there remains a vacancy.

14007 TO APPOINT TREE WARDEN

Cllrs resolved to appoint Cllr Moore.

14008 TO APPOINT PARISH PATH WARDEN

Cllrs resolved to appoint Cllr Moore.

14009 APPOINTMENT OF WORKING GROUP. PLANNING WORKING GROUP (CHAIR AND 3 MEMBERS)

Cllrs resolved to appoint Planning Working Group of (Chair and 3 members) - Chair and Cllrs M. Blake, Ford and Moore with the Clerk in attendance at the meetings.

14010 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

14011 TO CONFIRM & SIGN MINUTES OF MEETING 10th MARCH 2014

Resolved to accept, the Chairman signed the minutes subject to amendment as covered fully in voting record.

14012 TO DISCUSS MATTERS ARISING FROM THOSE MINUTES

13184 OPEN FORUM

The Clerk reported the matters to Highways about grids not being cleared and drain in Pipe Gate being blocked, the matters had been resolved.

13186 MATTERS ARISING

13144/132 PLANNING MATTERS

The Clerk has spoken again to the office of Owen Paterson MP to chase up reply which has still not been received; incidentally Norton-in-Hales are still awaiting a reply to a letter sent in January 2014. It was agreed that the Clerk would contact the local Shropshire office to try and obtain a response.

13144/134 SEWAGE - PIPE GATE

Clerk was awaiting greater background information from Councillor Woodcock to pursue the matter more fully and hope to gain a better response, Clerk and Councillor Woodcock to pursue.

13144/137 BANNER ADVERTISING MEETINGS

The Clerk reported difficulty with fixing banners safely given the two notice boards - Pipe Gate very exposed and Woore concrete, better solution suggested has been obtain signs to affix to posts to be used for siting of speed camera. Cllr M. Blake outlined that he had a meeting with Shropshire Highways on 9th May 2014 about additional posts for the siting of the speed camera. These were likely to be installed in 4 - 6 weeks, it was agreed that the Clerk could obtain signs for the posts to advertise meetings.

13124 COMPLAINT TO LGO

The Clerk reported the difficulty in receiving a response given that the complaint was made by a body (the Parish Council) and should have been made by an individual (a Parishioner) about another body (Shropshire Council), but wanted this "no answer" confirming in writing. It was agreed given this "response" that the Clerk would send a complaint on behalf of a Parishioner - Cllr Moore.

14013 TO CONFIRM & SIGN MINUTES OF PLANNING MEETING 31ST MARCH 2014

Resolved to accept, the Chairman signed the minutes.

14014 TO DISCUSS MATTERS ARISING FROM ANNUAL PARISH MEETING 14TH APRIL 2014

OLD WOORE SCHOOL TRUST - REPORT

Clerk passed on the thoughts of greater advertising to the Clerk of the Old Woore School Trust.

Given the reply received from the Management Committee of the Victory Hall, it was agreed to submit a planning application for the siting of adult exercise equipment at the Victory Hall, the cost being £192.50. Planning application papers to be prepared by the Clerk after consultation with neighbours of Woore Victory Hall.

Cllr H. Blake reported that the Women's Institute were going to make a donation of £500.00 towards benches at St Leonard's Way, once received the Clerk to record our thanks.

14015 PLANNING

To discuss the following planning applications as received and distributed:

14/01444/FUL

Flash Farm House, Nantwich Road, Woore - Change of use of part converted stables to holiday let. The Chair suggested we should not automatically make a standard objection to the application. After discussion, it was resolved to support the application notwithstanding our standard objection to applications on greenfield sites.

14/01692/OUT

Land adjacent to Warren House, London Road, Irelands Cross, Woore - Outline application for the erection of two detached dwellings. Cllr Lightfoot who acted as first Councillor for the application said neighbours were generally agreeable to the application but wished the choice of brick to be in keeping with the area. Cllr Woodcock said the site had been put forward many times previously, he thought the last application was circa 2000.

Cllr Allison thought visibility was very poor at the site and it was ribbon development. Cllr M. Blake said that if the application was supported it would be inconsistent. After discussion, it was resolved to object to the application with additional grounds beyond the standard objection.

14016 DONATIONS

The Chairman outlined the proposed three donations and understood that an additional donation was requested from Friends of Woore School, he thought that a donation in the order of £500 - £600 would pay for a school trip. Cllr Allison thought that a donation in that order would be greatly appreciated as it is very difficult for the school to put on additional activities.

Cllr Hammersley asked if a donation could be made given that the school was not used by all Parishioners. The Chair said a precedent had been set by a donation circa four years ago to Woore Cricket Club, which like the school did not charge for activities open to all children.

After further discussion Cllrs resolved to make the following donations under section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972:-

Woore Victory Hall - £1,500.00

Woore Village Pride - £1,445.00

Woore Neighbourhood Watch - £200.00

Friends of Woore School - £550.00

14017 PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

SALC	Subscription 2014 - 2015	£395.93
S W Knobbs	Expenses - April 2014	£218.97
S W Knobbs	Salary - May 2014	£313.25
HMRC	Tax - May 2014	£78.31
Shropshire Council	Planning Fee	£192.50
Woore Victory Hall	Donation	£1,500.00
Woore Village Pride	Donation	£1,445.00
Woore Neighbourhood Watch	Donation	£200.00
Friends of Woore School	Donation	£550.00

14018 CLERK'S CORRESPONDENCE

- 1) Letter from Clerk to Shropshire Council re SAMDev Consultation - March - April 2014 - dated 11th April 2014, circulated.
- 2) Letter from Clerk to Shropshire Council re Community Hub Designation - dated 11th April 2014, circulated.
- 3) Letter from Clerk to Woore Victory Hall re adult exercise equipment - dated 11th April 2014, circulated.
- 4) Letter from Clerk to Prime Minister re Localism Act 2011 - dated 25th April 2014, circulated.
- 5) CPRE Shropshire Voice Annual Report 2014, circulated.
- 6) Police Newsletter - dated May 2014, circulated.

- 7) Email from resident, Rob Mortimer re Knighton Speed Restrictions - dated 1st May 2014, circulated. Cllr Lightfoot said she had spoken to the resident and thought that this issue should be part of a wider discussion on speed limits in the Parish, agreed to be included as an agenda item for the next meeting.
- 8) Email re Neighbourhood Planning Information Event being held 15th May 2014, circulated.
- 9) Letter from Woore Cricket Club re dog waste - dated 15th January 2014, received at meeting. Cllr Moore said that perhaps the Cricket Club could support us in the aim to provide parish path ways given that we could not help them as it is private land and together we could urge dog owners to keep dogs on leads, the Clerk to write to the Cricket Club to this effect.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING 9th JUNE 2014

MEETING CLOSED AT 9.15 P.M.

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