

Draft Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 7 February 2011 at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall, Hardwicke

ATTENDANCE

Mrs L-J. Fallows

Mr C. J. Newell

Mrs T. A. Harrison

Mrs G. E. Oxley

Miss C. E. Kingsnorth

Mrs F. Welbourne

Seven parishioners, Mr A. Blackburn (GCC), PC Mackie and PCSO Hutton, and the Clerk. In the absence of the Chairman, the Vice Chairman took the chair. **Apologies** were received from Mr Butler, Mr Clarke, Mr Middle, Mr Plater, Mr Welbourne and Mr Littleton (SDC). There were no **Declarations of Interest**. The meeting was adjourned for public participation and comment was made on possible planning applications at Ellis Farm (no objection in principle), and winter gritting. The meeting was then reconvened. The **Minutes** of the meeting of 4 January, having been circulated, were confirmed as a true record and were signed by the Chairman.

24/11 **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

119/10 Plantation Play Area: Persimmon had requested registration of the land (Clerk had obtained an estimate of £220 + ID costs from the PC's solicitor so was endeavouring to do this herself as SDC could not assist).

15/11 Comments on Waste Core Strategy were being compiled by GlosVAIN and the draft had been copied to all for approval.

25/11 **POLICE/COMMUNITY SAFETY REPORT**

PC Mackie had sent in a report which had been circulated. He said that the government had launched a police website last week but the crime figures on it did not match policing areas. He asked for contributions towards repainting the underpass at Fieldcourt Road, which was agreed in principle and would be discussed at the next meeting. Several members would attend the Police Panel to set policing priorities.

26/11 **COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

Mr Blackburn reported that he had been unable to lift the confidentiality on Sellars Farm discussions, that the application was not yet submitted, that Church Lane was now closed for 5 weeks, and that the County Council would announce the winning contractor and method of waste disposal for the county's waste on 16 March. Consultation on public transport was ongoing and Service 14a was under threat; he had made the point that concessionary fares could not start at 9.30 a.m. if there was no later bus available. Mr Blackburn and police officers left the meeting at this point.

27/11 **CORRESPONDENCE**

From GAPTC/NALC: GPFA Playing Field magazine and annual Report

From GCC: Community Transport Guide

The Clerk magazine and Clerks & Councils Direct magazine; details of RBL's Poppy Parties 10-12 June; Environment Agency's Flood Risk Management Strategy for Severn Vale (and consultation); notice of Severn Voice meeting Tues 22 Feb 7 p.m. (no volunteer)

28/11 **PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT****Decisions**

S.10/2446/HHOLD side ext at 51 Hildyard Close (permitted)

S.10/2528/AGR monopitch steel framed building at School Farm (no application needed)

Sellars Farm

There had been considerable digging activity which SDC had said was for trial excavations which would be filled in. Notes of the meeting on 17 Jan had been forwarded to all and it was agreed that all email contacts would be forwarded to the Action Group for inclusion in a list (Mr Rogers at SDC had requested one point of contact for the Group).

Planning Appeal Process

The letter to Eric Pickles MP had been acknowledged by Greg Clark MP and the Planning Inspectorate's Quality Assurance Unit. A further letter would be sent to Greg Clark asking for answers to the questions posed, which had not been answered.

Review of Settlement Boundaries

SDC was to carry out a review of boundaries identified in the Local Plan as part of its Core Strategy work (which will exclude any potential housing allocation) with a request to consider any possible changes. The map and information had been copied to all, and it was agreed that the present boundaries to north and west (Sellars Road and Green Lane) should be maintained, because they defined the natural settlement boundary.

29/11 **FINANCE & GOVERNANCE**

The following accounts were approved for payment:

HM Revenue & Customs (PAYE & NIC)*	£394.74
Clerk salary, Jan	£533.27
Mrs Edwards, Jan	£317.20
Hardwicke Village Hall, Jan	£37.50
Land Registry	£50.00
Glos CC for CRB clearance	£23.98
M & D Property Maintenance	£32.00
Direct debit for CCTV	£18.26

* tax £343.67, NIC £51.07

Donations

The Golden Age Club had requested a grant and the Police had requested approx £70 for painting the Fieldcourt Drive underpass (both to be considered at the next meeting).

Church Fees

The new fee tables were circulated and approved.

Pitch Fees

Fees payable by the AFC and HCC for the 2011/12 season had been set last year at £250 and would be raised for 2012/13 to £260.

30/11 **RECREATION & AMENITIES****Elmgrove Estate Play Area**

The Inspection report would be signed. The bench there had needed repair which M & D, who repaired it before, had been asked to estimate but had carried out the work. SDC had agreed to pay this time but said that the bench is not theirs so they would not do so in future.

Youth Shelter

The radio speakers and two panels had been damaged and a report form had been submitted to the manufacturer for an estimate for repairs. When received the estimate would be forwarded to members for a decision on whether to make an insurance claim.

Church Green Ditch

E-on had been asked to inspect and trim the trees in front of the Old Vicarage but had said they would need written permission. Mr Clarke was to investigate works which had apparently been carried out there.

Litter Working Parties and Dog Notices

An estimate had been requested for re-setting the dog bin near the School Crossing in Westland Road, which had been pushed over.

Storage Container for Cricket Club

Mr Chapple had been in touch regarding a land-ownership certificate (not necessary for a planning application) so it was assumed that planning permission was being sought.

31/11 **JAVELIN PARK**

As stated by Mr Blackburn, the decision would be announced next month. Comment on recycling at Coventry had been noted in GlosVAIN's response, endorsed by the parish council.

32/11 **REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS**

Hare-coursing and flytipping in Longney Road had been reported to police and SDC.

33/11 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

This was confirmed for Monday 7 March. The date for the Parish Assembly was confirmed for 19 April and arrangements for it would be considered at the next meeting.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.25 p.m. A meeting to discuss arrangements for the appointment of a new Clerk followed immediately, and closed at 9.15 p.m.

Date Signed