

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF DRAKES BROUGHTON AND WADBOROUGH WITH PIRTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 1ST SEPTEMBER 2016 AT 7.30 PM AT DRAKES BROUGHTON VILLAGE HALL.

PRESENT: Cllr J Butterworth (Chairman), Cllr F Mead, Cllr M Gardner, Cllr M Griffiths, Cllr D Proctor, Cllr R Small, Cllr L Wild, Cllr S Wynn, Cllr J Yeo

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs N Nicholson (Clerk)

PUBLIC: Mr Roly Cother, Mr Roger Starky, Mr Ray Turner (footpath warden), Mr Geoff Hartwell

1. APOLOGIES

Cllr M Ward, County Councillor R Adams & District Councillor P Middlebrough

The Chairman closed the meeting at 7.40pm to allow members of the public to speak.

Roger Starky of 107 Shrubbery Road came to raise his concerns regarding comments the Parish Council had made about his planning application and his disappointment at not being contacted. The Chair explained the typical process and explained that it is not normal practice to contact the applicant as any comments they wish to make can and should be included in the planning application.

Ray Turner spoke of the heavy trucks along Stonebow Road, observing that it had gone on much longer than District Councillor Middlebrough had predicted at the previous meeting. The Clerk explained that there had been responses from police and at a strategic level at the County council to ensure this would not happen again.

Roly Cother reported that the drain on Sidings road had still not been jetted. The Clerk explained that correspondence had been exchanged about this and that she had been assured that it would be done soon. Roly also reminded the Council that it was hedge cutting season again and the Council agreed to put a notice about hedge cutting in the Villager. Roly reported deterioration of the roads around Wadborough, in particular on Station Road all the way to the Abbotswood junction. The Clerk agreed to contact highways. The Chairman thanked all for their contribution and the meeting was re-opened at 8.00pm.

2. VACANCIES FOR COUNCILLORS TO REPRESENT DRAKES BROUGHTON & WADBOROUGH WARD

There are four vacancies for Councillors; three to represent Drakes Broughton Ward and one to represent Wadborough. The Chair confirmed that the Clerk had advertised the vacancies on the notice boards and in the school bulletin. The vacancies are also advertised on the website. Parish Councillors are encouraged to recruit new members to fill the vacancies.

3. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION NOT ON THE AGENDA

There are no items for consideration that have not been included in the agenda.

4. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Cllr Butterworth declared an interest for planning application W/16/01533/PP

Cllr Wild declared an interest for planning application W/16/01895/RM

5. LOCAL POLICING

No police report.

The Clerk updated Council on the proactive nature of the police regarding the trucks on Stonebow Road. The Clerk updated Council on the response from the police regarding the speeding police car in Wadborough reported last month.

6. MINUTES

The minutes of the of the Meeting held on 7th August 2016 were proposed by Cllr Griffiths seconded by Cllr Proctor, agreed by all and signed by the Chairman as a true record of the meeting.

7. MATTERS ARISING

It was agreed that the tabled matters arising that were for the attention of County Councillor Rob Adams would be forwarded via email by the Clerk. Namely:

- B4084 traffic Survey, Cllr Small raised the fact that the promised millennium wood signage was still not in situ.
- The Stonehall Passing Places and a separate update from Cllr R Adams would be required about the parking at Stonehall Common.
- Woodleigh Barriers, a discussion arose around the dangers here, with bikes and motorbikes using the path and the members raised fears for safety.
- The continuing closure of the Abbotswood Bridge.

Other matters arising were:

Waste Bin for Stonebow Road –the Clerk is to contact Wychavon.

Drakes Broughton Notice Board – the Clerk has contacted the contractor was awaiting advisory response on remedial /maintenance of this notice board.

8. PLAYGROUND MAINTENANCE

Cllr Wild updated the meeting on the progress regarding the playground maintenance. The Clerk and Cllr Wild confirmed they had obtained three quotes and had selected a local contractor. The work is to be undertaken in the week after the school returns to allow for notifying parents in the school bulletin and the Villager.

The Clerk & Cllr Wild are in the process of getting quotes for the deep cut of the playing field hedges.

The Chair updated the Council on the progress with Pirton Playing field.

9. LENGTHSMAN

The Chair advised all members on the current situation with the lengthsman. The Clerk updated the Council on the finances involved with the current lengthsman, the overall scheme and the funding for the Wadborough hours.

A discussion arose around the lengthsman inventory and it was agreed to keep a record on file.

10. PIRTON PHONE BOX

The Chair advised the members that a working party had been formed in Pirton to transform the derelict phone box into a local information centre. She reported that Worcestershire County Council have provided new maps showing public Rights of Way for the walkers notice boards in Wadborough & Pirton.

11. RISK ASSESSMENT

The annual Risk Assessment documentation was reviewed and agreed by all and signed by the Chair.

12. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Cllr Wild updated the Council on the progress of the Neighbourhood Plan. The consultation process being undertaken by Wychavon District Council is completed and it is anticipated that the Executive Board of the Council will ratify the Planning Committees decision on 7th September so that the Plan is passed for examination by the appointed Examiner. Cllr Wild also drew attention to the complimentary comments made about the Neighbourhood Plan by Wychavon District Council.

13. "Drakes Broughton and Wadborough with Pirton Parish Council should be commended for completing their Neighbourhood Plan and reaching this stage of the process. The preparation of the Plan has clearly involved a significant amount of hard work and input of resources. An effective process of public participation and engagement with the local community has helped inform the content of the Neighbourhood Plan". **REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS**

a) No District or County Council representatives present.

b) Cllr M Gardner reported that the Wadborough bus service was being cut back again and quite substantially.

Cllr F Mead thanked the footpath warden for swift clearing of the Pirton footpath reported last month.

c) Cllr Butterworth thanked Councillors who have been involved in meetings and discussions and making presentations on behalf of the Council during the month. She reported that progress on many items being considered by Council has been excellent and she thanked everyone, saying that everyone's contributions are really appreciated.

14. FINANCE

a) The Chair talked the Council through the half yearly budget review.

b) Cllr F Mead confirmed that she had undertaken the monthly reconciliation of cash and other monies received and the records were in order.

It was proposed by Cllr Gardner and seconded by Cllr Griffiths to authorise the following payments:

(c)	Mrs. N. Nicholson – Clerk's Salary – August	£429.17
(d)	Mr. B. Arrowsmith – Lengthsman –August (Increased amount due to sickness in July)	£290.00
(e)	Mr. B. Arrowsmith – Playing Fields - August	£98.00
(f)	Mr. B. Arrowsmith – Bus Stops – August	£10.00
(g)	Society of Merchant Ventures – Pirton Playing Field rent	£142.80

15. CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk detailed correspondence regarding Street lighting and outlined the process. Cllr Small reported one flickering light on Walcott Lane. The Clerk undertook to report this light with the others to E'on.

Clerk outlined correspondence received from residents of Brick Yard Lane regarding mess left by the developer. The developer Lockley and Lockley are currently making good any damage done.

16. PLANNING

(a) Reserve matters 32 houses Walcot Lane

W/16/01895/RM Land opposite Woodmead, Walcott Lane, Drakes Broughton. Full reserved matters approval for 32 dwellings granted under outline planning permission ref W/14/00273/OU.

Cllr Wild updated the members on the radical differences of the reserved matters application to that from the original planning application. He then advised members that he and Cllr Ward had met earlier that week with the planning officer Emma Worley. Cllr Wild explained the planning officer would be advising the developer over the many concerns raised regarding radical changes to the layout, mix of dwellings etc and fully expected a resubmission in October for the planning committee in November. However, Cllr Middleborough has since advised that revised plans are not expected to be received by WDC until November at the earliest

Cllr Wild explained some of the constraints of the appeal process with regard to the conditions and reserved matters issued by the planning inspectorate

(b) Comments made to planning authority:

W/16/01822/PP 107 Shrubbery Road, Drakes Broughton, Pershore, WR10 2BE. Two storey rear extension (revision). Comments made on size and impact to neighbouring properties. Recommend refusal. Suggested single storey extension.

W/16/01756/LB & /// - Caldwell Farm Barns, Pershore Road, Stoulton, WR7 4RL. To form two new openings and install new timber windows. Recommend Approval.

W/16/01787/PP – Swanbrook, Pirton, Worcester, WR8 9E. To install a 16 panel (4Kw) solar pv system to front/south facing roof pitch of garage. No comment

W/16/01809/CU & /// - Land Adjoining, 49 Sidings Road, Pirton. Change of use of land to site two holiday chalets and create a new vehicular access. Comments made on the road proximity to the bend and safety concerns. Recommend refusal.

W/16/01462/OU & /// - Fair Winds, Stonebow Road, Drakes Broughton, WR10 2AW. Proposed 3 bed dormer bungalow on land within the curtilage of existing dwelling 'Fair Winds'. Recommend approval.

W/16/01847/PN – Freshfields, 75 Stonebow Road, Drakes Broughton, WR10 2AP. 4 houses not in accordance with condition 2 (drawings nos. 2015/k746-55) of planning permission ref W/15/01419/PN with regard to alterations of unit 1. No comments made.

W/16/01770/RM – Longfield, 78 Stonebow Road, Drakes Broughton, WR10 2AS. Reserved matters application for a four-bedroom chalet style bungalow (outline permission W/15/01329/OU). Recommend refusal.

W/16/01670/OU – Knights Villa, Swanbrook, Pirton, WR8 9EL. Outline Application for 2 linked dwellings and access to highway. Detailed comments made. Recommend refusal.

W/16/01652/OU – Land off, Worcester Road, Drakes Broughton. Proposed erection of three, detached dwelling houses. Comments made about layout and necessity being outside the village boundary. Recommend refusal.

W/16/01439/PN & /// - Two Oaks, Besford road, Besford, WR8 9AN. Proposed replacement dwelling and associated access. Comments made on proximity to the oak trees and concerns re foundations.

W/15/03091/PN – The Old Smithy, Mill lane, Wadborough, Worcester, WR8 9HB. 2 new detached dwellings in existing residential curtilage and replacement parking for the Old Smithy. Demolition of existing structure. Detailed comments made. Recommend refusal.

(c) Applications Approved:

W/16/01416/PP – 48 Beech Ave, Drakes Broughton, Pershore, WR10 2BJ. Single storey rear extension to replace existing conservatory.

W/16/01652/PU Land off, Worcester Road, Drakes Broughton. Proposed erection of three detached dwelling houses.

W/16/01533/PP – Mount Pleasant, Worcester Road, Pirton, Worcester, WR8 9EQ. Replacement garden store.

W/16/01255/PP – Woodside, Station Road, Wadborough, WR8 9HL. Side extension and replacement windows to existing bungalow. Rendering to existing brick walls.

W/16/01513/OU - Woodview, Worcester Road, Drakes Broughton, WR10 2AQ. Outline planning application with all matters reserved for the erection of 1 no. dwelling. Resubmission of W/15/01365/OU.

(d) Applications refused: N/A

(e) Applications Withdrawn: N/A

(f) Appeals: N/A

17. INFORMATION AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Thursday, 6th October, 2016 at 7.30pm at Drakes Broughton Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 9.10pm.