



Lilleshall & Donnington Parish Council

Minutes of Halls and Environment Committee Held at Turreff Hall on Monday 26th March 2007

Present: Councillors P Norton (Chair), A Baker, Mrs V Brown, Mrs R Gregory, G Platt, J Thompson, Mrs V Verster, K Watkins.

Apologies: Councillor Ms C Mason (Work).

Resolved – that the apology is accepted.

Declaration of Interest: As Per Register. Also Councillor A Baker – Item 3a.

Planning Applications

To consider the following planning applications:

W2007/0258

T-Mobile UK Ltd, Field adjacent to Wellington Road, Lilleshall, Shropshire.

Determination under Part 24 of the GPDO for the erection of a 15m high telegraph pole with equipment cabinets.

Resolved – that there is no objection to this application. Councillor A Baker left the room whilst this application was discussed.

W2007/0283

T-Mobile UK Ltd, Land at Donnington Wood Way, Donnington, Telford.

Determination under Part 24 of the GPDO for the erection of an 11.7m streetworks monopole and 2no. equipment cabinets.

Resolved – that there is no objection to this application.

W2007/0328

Mr D Ellis, 11 Celadine Way, Donnington, Telford, Shropshire.

Erection of a two storey side extension.

Resolved – that there is no objection to this application.

W2007/0329

Ms M Maddison, 1, Phoenix Close, Donnington, Telford, Shropshire.

Change of use to private garden area with fencing and erection of a conservatory.

Resolved – that there is no objection to this application.

Turreff Hall – Conditions of Hire



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The Committee discussed the amended Conditions of Hire for Turreff Hall (Item 24 Health and Safety) with regard to the setting up of the Hall for the groups/hirers.

Resolved – that the amended Conditions of Hire for Turreff Hall are accepted and that the Clerk distributes copies to each group hiring the Hall.
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Budget Comparisons

Each Councillor received a copy of the Financial Budget Comparisons as at 28th February 2007.

Resolved – that they are confirmed as a true record.

Bus Shelter Park Road.

Each Councillor had received a copy of a letter from the Wrekin Housing Trust highlighting the Anti Social behaviour occurring at the Bus Shelter in Park Road and the possibility of redesigning, replacing or removing the bus stop. A letter received from WPC N Scott was also read to the Committee regarding this issue. As a result of discussions held at a multi agency meeting in preparation of this years “operation clean sweep” requests had been made for the Parish Council’s comments about this matter. The Councillors discussed the problems highlighted at this bus stop and it was suggested that the community should not lose a bus shelter due to youths causing anti social behaviour.

Resolved – that the preferred option of the Parish Council is to replace the shelter with one specially designed to help prevent vandalism and the ability for youths to climb on top of it. The Clerk was asked to write to the agencies including Telford and Wrekin Council informing them of the decision made.

Pedestrian Crossing – Clocktower Roundabout

Councillors discussed a request to install a pedestrian crossing at the Clocktower Roundabout, Donnington with consideration to the future development on Station Road and the safety of schoolchildren and residents that live down The Humbers. Councillors expressed their concerns regarding the traffic congestion at this location during peak hours and the amount of shrubs that were overgrown on the roundabout which reduced the visibility of those trying to cross the road. Suggestions were made regarding the possible installation of traffic lights and/or the installation of a pedestrian footbridge over the road. If possible planning gain from the new development could finance any project that would improve the safety and congestion at his roundabout.

Resolved – that the Clerk writes to Telford and Wrekin Council highlighting the concerns raised and to request its comments/ideas to improve the traffic congestion and the safety of school children trying to cross the road at the Clocktower Roundabout.

Removal of Trees at The Talbot Centre, Lilleshall



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The Committee discussed a request to remove the trees at The Talbot Centre, Lilleshall situated to the rear of the tennis courts due to the amount of moss that grows on the courts in this location. Concerns were raised over the cost that this would involve together with the true ownership of the trees and the fact that it is bird nesting season. Councillors stated that if removal was an option then perhaps the trees could be replaced with a more suitable and manageable hedge.

Resolved – not to remove the trees but that the Estate Manager increases the number of times that the moss is sprayed and the area is brushed.

HE59

Footpath through land at rear of Thornton Park Avenue, Muxton.

A request had been received to improve the footpath situated on Parish Council land to the rear of Thornton Park Avenue through to the play area near St. John's Church, Saltwell's Drive. Councillors discussed whether or not it was required and if so then perhaps a rolled hardcore path would be better than a tarmac path.

Resolved – that the Clerk investigates the cost of a rolled hardcore footpath and raise the issue at the next Halls and Environment Committee meeting.

Town and Parish Standard:09

Each Councillor received a copy of the Town and Parish Standard issue 9 which included the revised Code of Conduct consultation.

Correspondence

Telford Samaritans Annual General Meeting

Each Councillor received a copy of an invitation to the Telford Samaritans Annual General Meeting on Tuesday 17th April 2007. Councillors wishing to attend should give their names to the Clerk.

Inclusive Consultation in Shropshire

Each Councillor received an invitation to Shropshire Community development Network County conference on 27th April 2007. Any Councillors wishing to attend should give their names to the Clerk.

c. SALC Parish Planning and the Role of the Parish Council

The Chair informed the Committee that the aforementioned seminars would be held at Meeting Point House, Telford on 19th April 07 and at Shirehall, Shrewsbury on 1st May 07. Any Councillors wishing to attend should give their names to the Clerk.

The Chair thanked all members of the Committee for their time and input at the Committee meetings throughout the year. The Chair also thanked Councillor Mrs V



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Verster, who had stated that she would not be standing at the next election, and wished her the very best for the future.

The meeting closed at 1950hrs.

Signed:

Date:

DRAFT MINUTES SUBJECT TO CONFIRMATION

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