



# Lilleshall & Donnington Parish Council

**Minutes of a Full Council Meeting held at  
Turreff Hall  
on 6<sup>th</sup> March 2006 at 7.00pm**

**Present:**

Councillors: J Thompson (Chair), A Baker, Mrs V Brown, B Green, Mrs P A Green, Mrs R Gregory, C Mason, P Norton, R Pitt, G Platt, M Skelton, Mrs V Verster, K Watkins.

**Also Present:** Fiona Moore (Neighbourhood Co-ordinator), Members of the public.

1. **Apologies:** Councillors Mrs E A Clare (Meeting), Miss C Mason (Funeral).  
**Resolved** - that the apologies be accepted.
2. **Declaration of Interest:** As per Register of Interests, Councillor R Pitt (Item 5 – Recycling).
3. **Public Session**  
The Meeting was adjourned to allow members of the public to speak.

Mr Roger France gave a brief background to the previous planned open cast mining in Muxton and the action group that was initiated to prevent this between 1994 and 1997. The latest Minerals Development Plan Document (DPD) produced by the Borough of Telford and Wrekin is an early consultation document on Issues and Options and includes the site in Muxton that was previously rejected. Mr France suggested that it is highly unlikely that coal would be mined there as it is not commercially viable but there is some value in extracting the fireclay.

Mr France explained that he had studied the Minerals DPD – Issues and Options and suggested that under Issue 8, option (b) would be the best option as this may prevent mining at the site in Muxton.

Mr France stated that he was willing to provide the Council with the documents and correspondence left from the previous objections to mining at this site.

The Chair thanked Mr France for the time taken with this issue and for sharing the information with the Members.

The Meeting was reconvened.

4. **Minerals Development Plan Document**

The Councillors discussed the effect of this document and concerns were raised regarding the dust any mining of this site would cause and its affect on the quality of air in the area. This would have severe consequences on those



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already suffering with respiratory problems. It was also brought to the attention of the Councillors that an oil pipeline ran underground through the highlighted area and this had potential to cause major problems if mining did occur there.

Due to the seriousness of the impact that mining would have in this parish it was proposed that a small committee be initiated to investigate this matter in more depth.

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**Resolved** – that:

- a. Under Local Government Act 1972 s101 a Committee is to be set up and given designated powers to investigate in more depth the effect and options outlined in the Mineral Development Plan Document.
- b. The Committee consist of six Members.
- c. Those Members are; Councillors J Thompson, A Baker, Mrs R Gregory, P Norton, R Pitt and Mrs V Verster.

The Clerk was asked to check the legality of co-opting Mr France on to this Committee in an advisory capacity.

## 5. **Recycling and Rubbish Collection Service**

The Chair introduced Anne Tuckley from the Borough of Telford and Wrekin who wished to discuss how the Borough and Parish Council could work together to improve recycling within its parish. Mrs Tuckley reported on the amount of recycling currently being undertaken and the improvements made since the project was launched. Having re-assessed collection services, changes are being made in some areas with collection days. It is hoped that this will improve the efficiency of the service. The Councillors were asked to help improve the amount recycled, by helping to set up advisory meetings with the Borough Council and families having problems with the amount of refuse produced, especially large families.

Any problems or suggestions can be emailed to [rescueyourrubbish@telford.gov.uk](mailto:rescueyourrubbish@telford.gov.uk)

Councillors then discussed issues with recycling regarding collections, the financial implications and the recycling of plastic. It was suggested that schools and leisure centres be targeted to recycle more and that the Borough Council should produce another leaflet reminding people of what can be recycled and how the scheme is performing. Hopefully this would provide further incentive to recycle.

Mrs Tuckley stated that plastics may be introduced as part of the kerbside collection in the future.

The Chair thanked Mrs Tuckley for coming to speak to the Council on this matter.



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## 6. Minutes

To confirm the Minutes of the meetings of the Council held on:

- a. Full Council of 16<sup>th</sup> January 2006.  
**Resolved** – that the minutes be confirmed and signed as a true record.
- b. Planning Committee of 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2006.  
**Resolved** – that the minutes be confirmed and signed as a true record.
- c. Halls and Environment Committee of 6<sup>th</sup> February 2006.  
**Resolved** – that the minutes be confirmed and signed as a true record.
- d. Extraordinary Full Council of 13<sup>th</sup> February 2006.  
**Resolved** – that the minutes be confirmed and signed as a true record.
- e. Finance Committee of 20<sup>th</sup> February 2006.  
**Resolved** – that the minutes be confirmed and signed as a true record.

## 7. Expenditure Transactions

**Resolved** – that the expenditure transactions for January 2006 be confirmed and signed as a true record.

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## 8. Bank Reconciliation as at 31<sup>st</sup> January 2006

The Clerk presented the bank reconciliation as at 31<sup>st</sup> January 2006 to the Council for their information. **Resolved** - that the bank reconciliation be accepted as a true record.

## 9. Reconstitution of School Governing Bodies.

The Councillors discussed the re-election of Members as Minor Local Authority representatives on to School Governing Bodies.

**Resolved** – that:

Councillor P Norton represents the Parish Council on Donnington Wood Infant School Board of Governors.

Councillor B Green represents the Parish Council on Donnington Wood CE Junior School Board of Governors.

The Clerk informs the public of the vacancy on the Board of Governors at Lilleshall Primary School in the next Parish Council newsletter.

Providing Councillor Miss C Mason is willing to undertake this task, she is elected in her absence to represent the Parish Council on Muxton Primary School Board of Governors. The Clerk is to liaise with Councillor Miss C Mason on this matter.



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## 10. **Rubbish Bins**

The Clerk informed the Council of a meeting held with M Greaves and R Jevons with regard the provision of new bins in and around the parish starting at Wrekin Drive, Donnington. Councillors asked the Clerk to investigate the provision of new bins for Kenwray Drive and associated streets and for the “lay-by” on Wellington Road opposite Nursery Lane, Lilleshall.

## 11. **Civic Service 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2006.**

The Chair informed the Council of the forthcoming Civic Service to be held at St. Michael’s Church, Lilleshall on 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2006 at 6.30pm. Councillors and the Clerk would investigate the provision of refreshments after the service.

## 12. **Pensioners Cards.**

Councillor P Norton had received complaints from pensioners regarding the withdrawal of the pension service provided at the Post Office. Many pensioners now had to travel further to banks to access their finances. The Councillors suggested that this issue be raised with Mark Pritchard MP on his visit to the Council on 9<sup>th</sup> March 06.

## 13. **Terms of Reference.**

The Councillors had each received copies of the Terms of Reference for each Committee and sub-committee of the Parish Council. **Resolved** – that the Council accept the Terms of Reference for this Parish Council.

## 14. **Planning Application.**

The Councillors discussed the following planning application:

W2006/0162, Mr S Hardy, 2 East Avenue, Donnington, Telford.

Change of use from residential care home to a residential dwelling.

**Resolved** – that there is no objection to this application but concerns were raised regarding the possible sub-letting, multi-occupancy and use of this property at present.

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## 15. **Environmental Impact Assessment.**

As the letters regarding this matter had been received from Mark Pritchard MP it was **resolved** that this matter be discussed with the MP on his visit to the Parish Council on 9<sup>th</sup> March 2006.

## 16. **Correspondence**

The Chair informed the Councillors that the following correspondence was available to read after the meeting:

- a. **Open Evening Shropshire Archives 9<sup>th</sup> March 2006.**



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- b. Consultation on statement of investment principles and governance policy statement – Shropshire County Pension Fund.**
- c. Access Granville Document.**

The meeting closed at 2030hrs.

Signed:

Date: