

**St Martins Parish Council**

**Minutes of a Meeting of the St Martins Parish Council held on Thursday 14th February 2019 at 7.00 p.m. in St Martins Centre.**

**PRESENT:** Cllrs A. Cast, M. Hayball, B. Herbert, J. Hoos, F. Kapasi, D. Laing, N. Mistry, G. Pennington, L. A. Roberts, J. Sands, S. Schofield, J. Stevens and H. Williams.

Also in attendance: Shropshire Cllr S. Davenport, PCSO Pete Roberts, five members of the public and the Parish Clerk.

In the Chair: Cllr G. Pennington.

**027/02/19.C Apologies for Absence**

An apology for absence had been received from Cllr G. Fryer (poorly).  
**Proposed, seconded and carried that this apology is accepted.**

**028/02/19.C Disclosable Pecuniary Interests**

**Resolved:** to note that no Disclosable Pecuniary interests were received on any item included on the agenda in accordance with Sections 50-52, Local Government Act 2000 and The Local Authorities (Model Code of Conduct) (England) Act 2001 and no applications for dispensations.

**029/02/19.C Minutes**

**Proposed:** Cllr H. Williams                      **Seconded:** Cllr J. Hoos

**Resolved:** with 4 abstentions that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 10th January 2019 having been previously circulated be confirmed as a correct record, signed by the Chairman and adopted.

**030/02/19.C Public Participation**

**Resolved** that with no questions from members of the public present the Council moved on to the next item of business.

**031/02/19.C Urgent Items**

There were no urgent items that relate to financial, health and safety issues or issues that required immediate attention.

**032/02/19.C Finance Committee**

**Proposed:** Cllr L. A. Roberts                      **Seconded:** Cllr M. Hayball

**Resolved:** To note and adopt the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on the 24th January 2019.

Cllr H. Williams thanked Cllr J. Stevens and the Parish Clerk for the work they had put into the budget and precept reports

Action

Chairman

Parish Clerk

033/02/19.C	<b>Parish Council/St Martins Centre Contracts Review</b>	Action
	Cllrs noted the minutes of the Parish Council/St Martins Centre Contracts Review quarterly review meeting held on 17th January 2019.	
	Quotations still required for the addition of the agreed “Cross Trainer” and a “Core Twister” in the current play area.	Parish Clerk
034/02/19.C	<b>War Memorial</b>	
	Cllr M. Hayball had now gone through the quotation from the War Memorial Restoration Company on the maintenance work now required following the recent cleaning. After discussion it was agreed that the following two items were not required; replace forest stone planter and ensure drainage holes have been core-drilled to allow full drainage and replace the missing and damaged red-bricks from the top of the surrounding low-wall.	
	<b>Proposed:</b> Cllr S. Schofield <b>Seconded:</b> Cllr H. Williams	
	<b>Resolved:</b> to accept the revised quotation of £4020 (max) plus VAT.	Parish Clerk
	A grant application would now be forwarded to the War Memorial Trust.	Parish Clerk
	<i>Cllr M. Hayball left the meeting at 19.20 to attend another meeting.</i>	
035/02/19.C	<b>Parish Clerk’s Progress Report</b>	
	The Parish Clerk went through the action sheet from the last meeting. All actions had been reported and would come under the relevant agenda items.	
036/02/19.C	<b>Police Report</b>	
	The Chairman welcomed PCSO Pete Roberts to the meeting who went through the crime figures for the parish for the last month.	
	PSCO Pete Roberts then gave a very good report about security issues of motor vehicles and advice on when you lock them up.	
	It was suggested that if possible the police submit a brief report for our Village Life magazine to make members of the public aware of this.	Parish Clerk
	The Police & Crime Commissioner had responded to our concerns over increased police manning for our area so that pressure will be eased on our local police force.	
037/02/19.C	<b>Financial Matters</b>	
	<b>037/02/19.C Accounts for payment;</b>	

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BACS	E Davies	Salary & Expenses	£990.86
BACS	Nigel Thomas	Play Area Inspections	£24.00
BACS	Huw Manford	Litter Picking etc.	£308.55
BACS	Highline Electrical	Street Lighting Repairs	£249.40
BACS	PHD	Initial Footprints	£7680.00
BACS	Castle Fine Arts	Statue – Final Payment	£10423.50
BACS	Shropshire Council	Street Lighting Energy	£1290.36

**Proposed:** Cllr D. Laing                      **Seconded:** Cllr A. Cast

**Resolved:** that the above payments be authorized.

Parish  
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**038/02/19.C Precept 2019/20**

**Proposed:** Cllr J. Stevens                      **Seconded:** Cllr H. Williams

**Resolved:** to approve the recommendation of the Finance Committee to set a precept for the financial year 2019/2020 of £53,097.

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**039/02/19.C Planning**

Current Planning Applications

**Reference:** 19/00061/REM (validated: 17/01/2019)

**Address:** Land Adjacent To, 69 New Ifton, St Martins, Oswestry, Shropshire, SY11 3AA.

**Proposal:** Approval of Reserved Matters (access, appearance, layout, scale and landscaping) pursuant of 18/02019/OUT for the erection of one dwelling.

**Resolved:** to support this application.

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**Reference:** 18/05895/FUL (validated: 16/01/2019)

**Address:** Proposed Affordable Dwelling SE of Derwen Farm, St Martins, Shropshire.

**Proposal:** Erection of an affordable dwelling with detached garage.

**Resolved:** to support this application.

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**Schedule of additional planning applications**

There were no additional planning applications that had been received after the date of publication of this agenda due to response time frames set by Shropshire Council.

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Cllrs noted the following planning decisions and recommendations of the planning authority.

**Reference:** 18/05533/FUL (validated: 30/11/2018)

**Address:** Woodside Cottage, Coed-yr-allt, St Martins, Oswestry, SY11 3DU

**Proposal:** Erection of two storey extension including balcony on north elevation and minor alterations

**Decision:** Refuse

**Reference:** 18/05383/FUL (validated: 21/11/2018)

**Address:** 10 Willow Close, St Martins, SY11 3EH

**Proposal:** Erection of first floor side extension and single storey rear extension

**Decision:** Grant Permission

**Reference:** 18/04982/FUL (validated: 29/10/2018)

**Address:** 9 Baytree Close, St Martins, Oswestry, Shropshire, SY11 3QQ

**Proposal:** Erection of two storey side extension following demolition of garage/conservatory

**Decision:** Grant Permission

### **Other Planning Issues**

#### **Possible residential allocation on land to the rear of Stans Superstore.**

Following a meeting of the Planning Committee on Thursday 24th January 2019 in St Martins Centre with Nigel Thorns from Nigel Thorns Planning Consultancy to consider possible residential allocation on land to the rear of Stans Superstore, it was agreed in principle to inform Shropshire Council that we support this development and to that end we consider that the proposal to redraw the St Martins settlement boundary to reflect the recent changes to the extent of this settlement is a sensible one which we would support. However concerns were raised over the capacity of utility services from Welsh Water and Severn Trent who would be both contacted for their assurances on this. Highways would also be consulted on the best solution for highway access to this development.

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#### **Rhos-y-Llan Farm Development**

Following the meeting on Thursday 24th January with Gareth Thomas to discuss the proposed plans which will accompany the reserved matters on the planning application for the development of 80 dwellings at Rhos-y-Llan Farm, there has been a meeting with the school and changes made to the proposed plans to allow a single pathway adjacent to Overton Road but inside the adjoining hedge of the development which would run into a school entrance with a locked gate. The existing highway path would be removed and grassed over. Some Cllr's felt children would still walk this way unless some form of barrier was fixed at either end.

*Cllr D. Laing left the meeting at 20.07.*

**Proposed:** Cllr H. Williams      **Seconded:** Cllr L. A. Roberts

**Resolved:**      **with 1 vote against, to support these proposed amendments to this development.**

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#### **Overton Road**

Cllrs then considered further proposals from Iain Hill-Trevor and Gareth Thomas to build 60 houses south of Overton Rd opposite the kebab shop.

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Questions were raised about car parking, surface water drainage, effect on Moors Bank and time of building.

**Proposed:** Cllr H. Williams      **Seconded:** Cllr L. A. Roberts

**Resolved:**      **with 7 votes for and 4 abstentions to support this proposed Development in principle.**

Parish Clerk

Again concerns were raised over the capacity of utility services from Welsh Water and Severn Trent who would be both contacted for their assurances on this.

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#### **040/02/19.C      Community Sports Hub**

Cllr J. Stevens said that a further report had been received from Paul Hawkins at PHD on initial work associated with the outline design of the facilities planned for the new recreation ground adjacent to St Martins School continues.

#### **041/02/19.C      Shropshire Council**

Shropshire Cllr Steve Davenport reported that the school is getting ready for the next Ofsted inspection. He was also requesting that all new estate have street lighting. As regards Kimberley Lane he was still trying to get one end blocked off. He also confirmed that there are new residents in Ifton School House.

#### **042/02/19.C      Street Lighting**

The Parish Clerk reported that the only street lights that are now not working are due to power supply which have been reported to Scottish Power on a number of occasions. Cllr H. Williams said she had received good feedback from residents on the new LED lights.

#### **043/02/19.C      Vehicle Activated Signs (VAS's)**

Cllr's were asked to consider a report from Cllr S. Schofield on the positioning of the VAS's following consultation with Shropshire Council. Cllr's then had to consider what type was the most appropriate for the area.

Agreed that the following Cllr's (J. Hoos, N. Mistry, G. Pennington, L. A. Roberts, S. Schofield & J. Stevens) would form a working group to consider these issues under the leadership of Cllr S. Schofield. Any Friday pm was suggested as the most appropriate day and time.

Cllr Sue Schofield

#### **044/02/19.C      Shropshire Association of Parish/Town Councils (SALC)**

Members noted correspondence received from the County Secretary. There were no issues to raise with the association or reports from any meetings of this association.

**045/02/19.C Memorial Garden**

Huw Manford had now submitted a further report and quotation for some additional maintenance work to the Memorial Garden.

**Proposed:** Cllr J. Stevens      **Seconded:** Cllr H. Williams

**Resolved: that this quotation is accepted.**

Cllr S. Schofield felt Cllr's should re-visit the site to consider the position of the planter and new sign. This was agreed.

Action

Parish Clerk

Cllr Sue Schofield

**046/02/19.C Correspondence**

There were no items of correspondence.

**047/02/19.C Members Reports**

Cllr S. Schofield updated the meeting on further work that is required around the miner's statue including a hard standing area around it and lighting. The Storey Board was now ready to be installed in this area.

Cllr Sue Schofield

Cllr H. Williams reported a blocked drain in Overton Road at its junction with Colliery Road. She also reported that vehicles are still parking on Ellesmere Road at the new development next to the Old Post Office and not off the road as agreed in the planning conditions.

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**048/02/19.C Next Meeting(s)**

Members noted that the next meeting(s) of the parish council will be;

Full Council meeting 14th March 2019 in the St Martins Centre starting at 7.00 pm

There being no further business the Chairman thanked everyone for their attendance and declared the meeting closed at 21.00 p.m.

Signed ..... Date .....

Chairman