

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF ELLESMERE RURAL PARISH
COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 12th DECEMBER 2011
AT ELLESMERE TOWN HALL**

Present: Councillors Mrs K E Egerton (Chairman)
C R Hampson
A G Lea
Mrs P Clubbe
Mrs J M Gargiulo
L Weilding
Mrs C V A Wilde
I C Ward
Shropshire Councillor B Williams

Mrs A Howls (Clerk)
There were no members of the public.

The Meeting commenced at 8.05pm.

164/2011 CHAIRMAN'S OPENING REMARKS

There were no opening remarks.

165/2011 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were no members of the public present.

166/2011 APOLOGIES

Cllr P R Broadbent, J S Baker & S Palmer.

167/2011 TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM ONE OF THE UNITARY COUNCILLORS

Shropshire Councillor Brian Williams addressed the meeting as to the progress of recycling of cardboard.

168/2011 DISCLOSURE OF PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS

There were none.

169/2011 UPDATE OF ELLESMERE AREA LOCAL JOINT COMMITTEE

The date of the next meeting will be Tuesday, 13th March 2012 - Venue to be confirmed.

170/2011 MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 14th NOVEMBER 2011

Cllr Mrs C V A Wilde proposed and Cllr I C Ward seconded that the minutes of the meeting held on 14th November 2011 be confirmed as a true and correct record. This proposition was passed unanimously and the Chairman signed the Minutes.

171/2011 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 14th NOVEMBER 2011

- (a) **Old Vicarage Simons Lane Dudleston Heath** [Minute 98/2011(c) 112/2011 (g) 126/2011 140/2011 (c) & 155/2011 (b)refers] Cllr Mrs J M Gargiulo reported that the hedge has been allowed to become so overgrown that cars are been forced to use the opposite side of the road with the consequence that this has been worn away and the edge of the road

has fallen in leaving large pot holes that could easily damage vehicles. The Clerk had informed the Assistant Divisional Surveyor who had written a letter to the owner of the hedge stating that if the hedge is not cut and continues to cause damage to the highway rechargeable works to remedy the matter will be carried out. No work had been carried out to date. The Clerk stated she had contacted the Assistant Divisional Surveyor as to the position at present. He had informed her that the resident from this address had been to see him and had promised to carry out the work. He would look into this further and report back as to the position.

- (b) Junction Lower Hordley to Ellesmere and Ellesmere -Tetchill Road [Minute 114/2011 (f) 126/2011 (n) 140/2011 (f) & 155/2011 (c) refers] Cllr A G Lea reported that the keep left sign is missing and needs to be replaced. The sign had been replaced unfortunately facing in the wrong direction. The Clerk had informed the Assistant Divisional Surveyor to put the matter right.
- (c) Simons Lane, Dudleston Heath [Minute 142/2011(c) & 155/2011 (d) refers] Councillors reported a large amount of rubbish had been dumped in the ditch in the vicinity of Brynore Hall. The Clerk had contacted Shropshire Council to remove rubbish but it was still in situ.
- (d) Chestnut Avenue- Bus Shelter [Minute 159/2011(c) refers] Cllr Mrs C V A Wilde reported that the Bus Shelter needed cleaning out and a coat of paint. The Clerk had contacted Mr B Harris who would look into the matter.
- (e) Eastwick Lane [Minute 159/2011(c) refers] Councillor I C Ward reported that the pointers had been removed from the footpath signs and the posts damaged each side of Gadlas Farm. The Clerk had contacted the Rights of Way Officer, Shropshire Council to deal.
- (f) Winston Farm, Tetchill -[Minute 159/2011(e) refers] Councillor C R Hampson reported that there was a deep pothole outside Ingledene and adjacent to Winston Farm. The Clerk had contacted the Assistant Divisional Surveyor, Shropshire Council for attention.

172/2011 REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

(a) Crime & Disorder Meeting

Cllr A G Lea reported that the Meeting had been held on Wednesday, 30th November 2011, which Police Constable Lewis had attended. P.C.Lewis outlined the Crime Figures for the Parish and discussed the use of the speed gun.

The problems with vehicles parking on the slip road outside Cargotech, especially over weekends, was discussed. Pc Lewis stated one solution was to get rid of the slip road and make it a lay by with signs stating no overnight parking. This would be at a cost to Shropshire Council as it was part of the highway.

Cllr A G Lea stated that he had handed photographs of vehicles concerned in slip road and also showing state of roadside which was obviously used as a toilet by drivers of offending vehicles.

He also stated that further enquiries had been made since the Meeting with local residents and Mr and Mrs Wynne were prepared to represent the local residents with discussions with VOSA and other related bodies in an effort to relieve the problem.

172/2011(a) (Cont'd)

It was also felt by the residents that the slip road was being used by large vehicle other than those delivering to the Industrial Site. One of these vehicles is a large timber wagon believed to be delivering to ETC. *Resolved:* Clerk to write to ETC and Mr & Mrs Wynne. Also to write to the Town Council for them to look at signage through the Town directing HGV's to Gledrid.

(b) North West Shropshire Flood Forum

Cllr C R Hampson reported that he had attended the above Forum on Tuesday 13th December 2011 at 5pm at The Town Hall, Ellesmere. He also reported that a group 'Upper Perry Group' had been set up locally by Mr. Edward Jones and Meetings were to be held in Hordley Village Hall. He would inform the Parish Council of developments if and when they arise.

173/2011 PLAY AREA- DUDLESTON HEATH

In the absence of Cllr P Broadbent the Chairman stated she would make enquiries with him to see if he would continue to look after the Play area and give a monthly report to the Clerk.

174/2011 JOINT COUNCIL DINNER

The Clerk reported that she had contacted Mrs Slater but had not yet received any menus for choices. After some discussion and last years menu details considered to have Broccoli and Stilton Soup and a Pate to start and Beef, Salmon and a Vegetarian for main course and similar sweets to last year. Welsh Frankton Village Hall had been booked for Saturday 25th February 2012. *Resolved:* Clerk to contact caterers and finalise arrangements.

175/2011 WARD MATTERS

(a) General

There were no issues raised.

(b) Dudleston

Pentre Morgan Layby, Dudleston Cllr Mrs K Egerton reported a large amount of rubbish deposited in the layby. *Resolved:* The Clerk to contact Shropshire Council to remove rubbish.

(c) Dudleston Heath

Elson to Dudleston Heath Road - Cllr I C Ward reported that there was a deep pothole in the road travelling from Elson to Dudleston Heath near the Loop. *Resolved:* Clerk to contact Assistant Divisional Surveyor, Shropshire Council.

Noticeboard - Cllr I C Ward reported that the notice board opposite the Post Office needed the pin board at the back of the notice board to be renewed. *Resolved:* Clerk to contact Mr B Harris to look into matter.

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(d) Welsh Frankton

There were no issues raised.

(e) Tetchill

Ellesmere to Whittington Road Cllr C R Hampson reported a large fridge had been dumped on the road at the turn for Tetchill at Hardwick. *Resolved:* The Clerk to contact Shropshire Council to remove rubbish.

(f) Lee

There were no issues raised.

176/2011 PLANNING

To receive the minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 14th November 2011.

177/2011 ACCOUNTS

(a) Receipts and Payments Account and Breakdown of Expenditure

The Receipts and Payments Account and analysis of expenditure, as at 4th December 2011 were tabled.

(b) Cheques for Approval The following cheques totalling £1839.68 (which includes VAT).

Cheque No.	Subject	Amount
001497	Shropshire Council- Joint Energy	585.07
001498	Mrs A Howls - Salary November	698.95
001499	Income Tax & NI -November	268.42
001500	A Howls Expenses - November	81.56
001501	Ellesmere Town Council	17.00
001502	NWP- Street Maintenance Charge	116.21
001503	Fasthost web invoice 17687711	72.47

Resolved: Payment of the cheques be approved

(c) Other items of expenditure for consideration/approval

There were none.

178/2011 CORRESPONDENCE

There was none.

179/2011 DATE OF NEXT MEETING The next Parish Council Meeting to be held immediately after the Planning meeting on Monday 9th January 2012 in the Small Committee Room, Ellesmere Town Hall. There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.10pm

Signed.....

Dated 9th January 2012.