

CAYNHAM PARISH COUNCIL

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The Minutes of the meeting of Caynham Parish Council held at Knowbury Memorial Village Hall on Monday 1st February 2016 commencing at 7.00pm

Present:

Mrs B Ashford (Chairman)

Mr I Loman-Brown (Vice-Chairman)

Mr J Shew Mr G Williams

Mrs H M Jones Mrs D M Bromley

Mr M Galbraith Mr G Cummings

Mrs M M Clent MBE Mr S Boden

Mr C E Williams (Clerk)

Shropshire Councillor Mr R Huffer (for public session of the meeting)

Apologies:

Nil

Members of the Public:

Members of the public were present concerning Planning application 15/04841/VAR which proposed an amended layout to plots, adjusted road layout and provision of a new boundary fence Springfield Park Clee Hill.

Shropshire Councillor MR R Huffer reported that the Planning Officer was in discussion with the developer of the site and was awaiting the Design and Access Statement and the Ecology Report. The Parish Council will not withdraw its objection to the application until the statement and report had been received and duly considered.

1. To Declare any Interests:

No items to declare.

2. Minutes:

The Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 7th December 2015 were approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

3. Matters arising from the minutes not included on the agenda:

The Clerk reported that as there had been no request for an election the Parish Council were able to co-opt to the vacancy of Parish Councillor.

If there is any elector of the Parish interested in the vacancy, they should notify the Clerk by the 25th March 2016 so that applications can be considered at the Parish Council meeting to be held on the 5th April 2016.

4. Chairman's Communications:

The Chairman reported that a letter had been received from the National Association of Local Councils concerning HM Queens 90th Birthday Celebrations where it is suggested that local communities light a beacon on the 21st April 2016 and perhaps celebrate that evening with a community event.

5. Planning Items:

Planning application 15/00085/Ful – Replacement of 3 existing antennas; replacement of 1 existing 0.6m transmission dish and installation of 0.6m transmission dish for EE- O2 Mast Site Clee Hill – No objection

Planning application 15/05135/LBC – Works to include internal alterations, roof and replacement of dormer window and erection of external terrace wall affecting a Grade 11 Listed Building – The Coach House The Old Vicarage Knowbury – No objection

6. Highway Items/Amenity Items:

- a) Concern was expressed at the Fly -Tipping that was occurring in the parish area, this had been taken up with Streetscene by Cllr G Cummings.
- b) Cllr G Cummings to obtain costs of repairing the Parish Council Notice Board Clee Hill.
- c) Cllr Mrs H Jones reported that a ‘No Through Road’ sign had been placed at the top of Whitewayhead Lane Knowbury.
- d) The Clerk to report the overgrown holly hedge in Cross Lane Clee Hill causing an obstruction to users of the footpath.
- e) The Clerk to report blocked gully by the junction of Cross Lane Clee Hill.
- f) The Clerk had meet with Mr G Shaw the Divisional Highways Officer Shropshire Council to consider a “time waiting restriction” for the parking of vehicles by the shopping area/zebra crossing area in the High Street Clee Hill. The Implementation of “loading bay restrictions” was also considered for deliveries to the shops which would result in the loss of car parking spaces. The main difficulty of any restriction was the enforcement with this having to be undertaken by visiting traffic wardens who would probably only visit the area once a month. It was considered that it would not feasible to introduces a restriction scheme and that it was for road users to have regard for others when parking their vehicle for long periods in this stretch of roadway.

The Parish Council will keep this matter under review.

7. Financial Items:

- a) The Parish Council approved the following accounts for payment:
Inland Revenue – Tax £90
Caynham Village Hall – Grant - £600
- b) Precept 2016/17 – The Clerk had produced a statement of estimated Income and Expenditure for 2016/17 which was considered by the Parish Council.
It was agreed by the Parish Council that the precept for the financial year 2016/17 be increased from £16,395 to £18,323.

- c) The Clerk had been informed by Shropshire Council that they will be withdrawing the use of their website software from June 2016 which will result in the Parish Council having to replace its current website.

The Clerk had submitted a grant application to the National Association of Councils to help meet the cost of introducing a new site.

8. Items from Parish Councillors:

The Government has now changed the legislation that enables Parish and Town Councils to send out Agendas and Minutes electronically to Councillors as opposed to sending a hard copy through the post. The Parish Council will consider this item at the Annual meeting of the Council in May 2016.

9. Next Meeting:

Next Meeting Monday 4th April 2016

Chairman