

**The Minutes of Richards Castle (Shropshire) Parish Council Meeting held on the 12<sup>th</sup> July 2011  
at the Village Hall Richards Castle commencing at 8.00pm**

**11/14 Present:**

**Councillors:**

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| Cllr N Hall (Chairman)  | Cllr J Whittall |
| Cllr E Davies           | Cllr A Cowell   |
| Cllr B Allwright        | Cllr A Wright   |
| Cllr H Salwey           |                 |
| Mr C E Williams (Clerk) |                 |

Shropshire Councillor – Martin Taylor Smith

**11/15 Apologies:**

Nil

**11/16 Member of the Public**

Prior to the meeting there was an informal discussion with members of the public concerning a licence application to the Caravan Club which was for the provision of a maximum of five touring caravans to be sited at Cloverfold Richards Castle. The concern of the members of the public was the dangerous access which was inappropriate for touring caravans and increased traffic usage.

Local residents can submit their concerns to the Caravan Club CLS east Grinstead House East Grinstead RH19 1UA.

The granting of a licence by the Caravan Club exempts the requirement of a formal planning application.

**11/17 Declaration of personal/prejudicial interest:**

Nil

**11/18 Minutes:**

The Minutes of the meeting held on the 10<sup>th</sup> May and the Joint Annual meeting 24<sup>th</sup> May were approved by the Council and signed as a correct record by the Chairman.

**11/19 Chairman's Report:**

No items to report

**11/20 Planning:**

- a) 11/02563/FUL – Erection of replacement workshop/building for the repair and manufacturing of gliders and related equipment – Wheat Common Farm Wheatcommon Lane Ashford Carbonell – No Objection.
- b) 11/02563/FUL – Erection of first floor extension to rear elevation – The Toll House Station Road Woofferton – No Objection.
- c) 11/02378/CPE – Application for Certificate of Lawfulness to continue to use the log cabin as a residential dwelling – Object to the application due to the cabin not being regarded as a permanent residential dwelling.

**11/21 Highway Items:**

- a) Vehicle Activated Sign – It a vehicle activated sign with a slow down warning is to be erected it should be placed on the verge near the Builders Merchants (Buildbase) providing a warning to vehicle users travelling towards the A49.
- b) A complaint had been received from a visitor to the area who were informed they were roaming at will in the countryside and on private land using the footpath along Han way Common. The Parish Council noted the contents of the letter and will write back to the visitor to the area.
- c) Concern was expressed about the amount of weeds on the footpaths along the highways, the Clerk will contact Streetscene Shropshire Council concerning the matter.

The Clerk had applied to Shropshire Council for an Environmental/Highway Grant so that control of weeds on footpaths could be undertaken by the Parish Council.

**11/22 Financial Items:**

The Parish Council had bank balances of £5,418.58 at the 12<sup>th</sup> July 2010

The following accounts for payment were approved:

K L Adams – Internal Audit Fee - £52.50

C E Williams – quarterly salary - £180.00

Inland Revenue – Tax - £45.00

**11/23 Reports from other Organisations:**

Mr E Davies gave an update on the grants that had been approved by the Ludlow and Rural Local Joint Committee the details of which can be viewed on the Shropshire Council Website.

**11/24 Parish Plan:**

The Planning for Real events had been held and the responses analysed with a detailed questionnaire for distribution to all residents of the Parish due to shortly be produced.

**11/25 Items from Parish Councillors:**

Cllr J Whittall – enquired if Shropshire Council had produced a timetable for the construction of passing bays in Wheatcommon Lane – the Clerk reported that he had received no further information but would pursue.

Cllr B Allwright - referred to the difficulty of vehicles turning in the roadway in Mitnell Lane due the locking of a gateway which was used by large vehicles.

The Clerk confirmed that the additional Grit Bins had been ordered with Shropshire Council who will arrange appropriate installation.

c) Cllr A Wright – expressed the growth of Ragweed on the site by the Little Chef and that this should be reported to Shropshire Council

**11/26 Next Meeting:**

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2011, Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2011, Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2012, Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2012, Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2012

Chairman