

The Minutes of Richards Castle (Shropshire) Parish Council Meeting held on the 1st October 2013 at the Village Hall Richards Castle commencing at 7.30pm

13/23 Present:

Councillors:

Cllr H Salwey (Chairman)
Cllr J Whittall Cllr A Cowell
Cllr T Harral

Mr C E Williams (Clerk)

Shropshire Councillor V Parry attended the meeting and gave an update on Shropshire Council Matters which included changes to the local bus service in Ludlow, the proposed closure of the Recycling Centre Cober Road Ludlow and the decision not to proceed with the Ludlow Hospital.

13/24 Apologies:

Cllr A Wright

13/25 Declaration of personal/prejudicial interest:

Nil

13/26 Minutes:

The Minutes of the meeting held on the 23rd July 2013 were approved and signed as a correct record by the Chairman

13/27 Chairman's Report:

No Items

13/28 Planning:

No Items

13/29 Highway Items:

a) Cllr J Whittall raised concern at the traffic cones that had appeared at Policemen's Corner Overton which suggested some improvement works on which the Parish Council had not been consulted. The Clerk would contact Shropshire council to enquire what works were being undertaken and report back to Parish Councillors.

Since the Parish Council meeting it has been established that a survey is being undertaken to make it safer for pedestrians crossing the junction and also looking at other road safety measures.

Once a plan has been produced the Parish Council has asked to be consulted.

b) Concerns were raised about the overgrown grass on the verges and mini roundabout on the junction with Overton Road and the A49.

13/30 Financial Items:

a) The following accounts were approved for payment:

C E Williams – Salary - £180

Inland Revenue – Tax - £45

J Lonsdale-Lowther – Grass Cutting - £206.67

b) The external auditors had certified the financial accounts for the year ending 31st March 2013 with no items to report.

13/31 Reports from other Organisations attended by representatives of the Parish Council:

a) Cllr J Whittall had attended the pre-planning meeting of the Local Joint Committee which had considered grant applications from local Organisations.

b) The Chairman reported on the update of the Parish Plan which will be presented to a public meeting on the 2nd November 2013 by the Parish Plan Steering Group.

Reference was also made to the production of the Neighbourhood Plan by Richards Castle (Herefordshire) Parish Council in conjunction with Orleton Parish Council.

13/32 Other Items:

The Parish Council agreed to co-opt Mr B Anderson Rose House Richards Castle Ludlow to the vacant position of Parish Councillor.

13/33 Next Meeting:

Tuesday 3rd December 2013, 4th February 2014, 1st April 2014 and 13th May 2014

Chairman