

PONTESBURY PARISH COUNCIL
Meeting of Planning Committee
Held at Pontesbury Public Hall
4th November 2019 at 6.30pm

PRESENT

Cllr A Hodges (Chairman), Cllr D Fletcher, Cllr N Hignett, Cllr S Lockwood, Cllr P Bradbury, Cllr J Pritchard, Cllr D Gregory, Cllr N Lewis

Members of the public present: four

In attendance: Cllr D Jones, Cllr R Evans

CLERK: Debbie Marais

P56.19 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Brian Morris,

P57.19 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS - None

P58.19 MINUTES OF COUNCIL

The minutes were submitted and circulated as read. It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the **Planning Committee meeting held on the 7th October 2019 be approved and signed as a correct record.**

P59.19 PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

Agent for 19/04690 Cruckmeole Farm: Outlined the details of access that are on the planning portal, explaining that what is proposed is to improve access to the farm by agricultural vehicles and lorries. Vehicles will be able to come onto site, turn round in the farmyard and then leave in a forward gear and this will increase safety and decrease disruption of passing traffic. The increase in traffic is related to the change of emphasis on the farm from dairy to arable.

The agent clarified that there is an existing access drive which is needed to serve to the bungalow, which is alongside this proposed new access but missing from the plans provided.

P60.19 SHROPSHIRE COUNCIL RURAL STRATEGY WORKSHOP – Cllr A Hodges would attend on behalf of Pontesbury Parish Council

P 61.19 PLANNING DECISIONS

A schedule of decisions made between 1 and 28 October 2019, in relation to applications for development within the Parish Council's area, was received. **RESOLVED: That the schedule be noted.**

P62.19 PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR PONTESBURY PARISH COUNCIL AREA

RESOLVED: That the following comments be submitted to the Shropshire Council Planning Authority:

- a) 19/04642/LBC | Amendments to previously approved 19/00656/LBC to allow for the insertion of six rooflights | Plealey Methodist Church Well Lane Plealey Shrewsbury Shropshire SY5 0UY

Comment: The parish council supports this application as it does not have a significant detrimental impact on the character of the listed building or on the amenity of neighbouring properties

- b) 19/04690/FUL | Formation of vehicular access | Land At Cruckmeole Farm Cruckmeole Shrewsbury Shropshire SY5 8JN

Comment: The parish council supports this application to improve the access to the farm and associated improvement in road safety. In light of the existing drive not being shown on the submitted plans the council would like to see a review of the splay for the proposed drive. It may be sensible to have signage to ensure that farm traffic uses the new drive rather than the existing access to the bungalow.

P63.19 APPLICATIONS FOR TREE PRESERVATION ORDERS

- a) 19/04381/TPO | Fell 1no Apple protected by the Shrewsbury & Atcham Borough Council (South Pontesbury) Tree Preservation Order 2005 (Ref: SA/410) | 1 Brook Rise Pontesbury Shrewsbury Shropshire SY5 0RA

Comment: The Parish Council supports this application as the tree is dying. We strongly recommend planting of a replacement tree.

- b) 19/04414/TPO | Remove two low limbs of 1no Oak & reduce height by approx. 1-2metres of 1no Copper Beech protected by the Shrewsbury and Atcham Borough Council (Gypsy Wood, Woodhall Drive, Hanwood) Tree Preservation Order 1992 (Ref: SA/248) | Gypsy Wood Woodhall Drive Hanwood Shrewsbury Shropshire SY5 8JU

Comment: the parish council supports this application as the copper beech tree is blocking significant light. Part of the oak tree is dying through lack of light and removal of limbs will lessen weight on part of tree.

- c) 19/04621/TCA | Reduce and shape by 20% 1no Birch & 1no Yew by within Plealey Conservation Area | Corner House Plealey Shrewsbury Shropshire SY5 0UY

Comment: The parish council supports this application for much needed improvements and reduction in size of these trees

- d) 19/04617/TPO | Works to trees (See Schedule) protected by the Shrewsbury & Atcham Borough Council (Main Road, David Ave and Chapel Street, Pontesbury) Tree Preservation Order 2005 (Ref: SA/402) | Whitehall Main Road Pontesbury Shrewsbury Shropshire SY5 0PS

Comment: The parish council supports this application and is pleased to see overdue and much needed tree work being proposed to fell dead trees and trees causing damage to the listed building

- e) 19/04611/TPO | Crown reduce by up to 15% , crown lift to 4 metres from ground level and remove major deadwood over 50mm diameter of 1no Beech protected by the Shrewsbury & Atcham Borough Council (Hinton Lane, Hall Bank and Station Road) Tree Preservation Order 2005 (Ref: SA/404) | Collingwood House Hall Bank Pontesbury Shrewsbury SY5 0RF

Comments: The parish council supports this application for necessary maintenance particularly in view of the children using the site.

P64.19 UPDATE ON RESPONSE TO RIGHT HOME RIGHT PLACE SURVEY

There has been approximately 10% questionnaires returned. The survey will close in a couple of weeks and councillors were asked to encourage people to complete and return the questionnaires.

P65.19 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Cllr A Hodges gave a verbal update on the progress of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group. The detailed questionnaire should be delivered to every household in December. A dedicated website is being explored so that residents could complete the questionnaire online. Report **NOTED**.

P66.19 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

2 December 2019 at 6.30pm at Pontesbury Public Hall.

Meeting closed at 7.23 pm .

Signed.....

Date.....

Chair