

# **BETLEY, BALTERLEY & WRINEHILL PARISH COUNCIL**

## **Draft Minutes of the meeting held on 27th August 2015**

### 220/15 PRESENT:

Cllrs Seb Daly, Graham Ecclestone (from min.223), Richard Head, Mark Morris, Frank Speed, Ian Walton and Chris Watkin.

### 221/15 IN ATTENDANCE:

One member of the public.  
Gwyn Griffiths (Clerk).

222/15 Apologies for absence was received from Cllrs Berrisford (work), Hales (work), Thomas (family) and Townsend (other commitment). An apology for likely late arrival had been received from Cllr Bettley-Smith.

223/15 Members considered the declaration of interests in agenda items.

Cllr Walton declared a prejudicial interest in Agenda Item 6 (planning application 15/00682; Beehive Cottage) as the applicant.

All members declared a personal interest in the same item through their acquaintanceship with the applicants. Cllr Head declared a further personal interest in the same item as the applicant was a fellow officer of the Village Hall Committee.

[Cllr Ecclestone joined the meeting during the above item]

224/15 The Vice-Chairman outlined the procedure for public participation and the meeting was then adjourned.

225/15 Several members of the public wished to contribute.

The member of the public present indicated that she wished to outline the background to a planning application which had been submitted for advertising signs at Betley Court Farm. The Clerk confirmed that details of the application had not yet been received by the Council and would be considered when received. However it would not be improper for a member of the public to comment since it constituted an agenda item (8 - "to consider any further planning applications ... and other planning matters").

The member of the public stated that the application was to continue with the past practice for advertising the Show, the Bonfire, the Game Fair and other licensed events. Signage would not be permanent. In practice there would be no change from current arrangements.

226/15 The Vice-Chairman reported that, with the Chairman, he had considered planning application 15/00578 (21 Ladygates). They had concluded that there was no objection to the principle of the development, but had expressed concern regarding the proximity to the neighbouring property.

227/15 The Clerk advised members that, since the last meeting, one item had been dealt with under the Council's procedure for urgent business requiring action, planning application 15/00578, as referred to by the Vice-Chairman. The following comment had been submitted:

**That the Council has no objection to what is proposed but the Borough Council needs to confirm that there is no adverse impact on the neighbouring property, given that the extension comes to 150mm (6") of the boundary.**

**The materials, excluding where the construction is different, such as the flat roof with lantern, should match the existing.**

The Clerk had subsequently been advised that the application had been PERMITTED, but with a reference to the Party Walls Act, in order to protect the interests of the neighbour.

228/15 Members considered the following planning application:

**15/00662/FUL Retention of ancillary residential annexe, Beehive Cottage, Back Lane, Balterley for Mr & Mrs Walton**

**RESOLVED that the Council has no objection.**

[Having declared a prejudicial interest Cllr Walton withdrew from the meeting during consideration of the above item]

229/15 Members considered the following planning application:

**15/00669/FUL Removal of condition relating to diversion of footpath in connection with permission 14/00636 Installation of wind turbine, land off Church Lane, Betley for Lepower 1 Ltd**

**RESOLVED that the Council has no objection.**

230/15 Members considered the following planning application:

**14/00682/COU Change of use of building from two holiday lets to single residence, White House Farm, Deans Lane, Balterley for G Walters**

**RESOLVED that the Council has no objection.**

231/15 The Clerk advised members that application 15/00521 (Extension of time limit granted under 14/00610 land at Doddlespool) had been GRANTED, but with an extension of nine months rather than the period in excess of four years sought.

232/15 Area issues raised by members were considered. It was noted that Cllr Townsend had reported to the relevant authorities two matters in the Balterley area: an abandoned caravan at the junction of Post Office Lane/ Main Road, and damage to the street furniture at the same location. Concern was expressed that Ragwort was growing on Laudy Croft.

**RESOLVED that the Council's usual contractor be engaged to take necessary action.**

233/15 The Clerk submitted to members a list of invoices to hand and payments due.

234/15 **RESOLVED a) that the Council authorises payment of the following:**

<b>Mh-p Internet Ltd</b>	<b>website hosting</b>	<b>£ 72.00</b>	<b>1192</b>
<b>CVS Cheshire East</b>	<b>payroll services</b>	<b>£ 48.00</b>	<b>1193</b>
<b>Zurich Municipal</b>	<b>insurance premium</b>	<b>£ 511.11</b>	<b>1194</b>

235/15 Date of next meeting: Thursday 24th September 2015.