

**CODSALL PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES**

**Planning Meeting held in the Parish Council Chamber,
Station Road, Codsall on Wednesday 24th February 2010 at 7.00pm.**

PRESENT

Parish Councillors M Ewart (Chair), Mrs V Chapman, Mrs M Barrow, R Etheridge (Late Arrival), Mrs E Forster, B Holland, Mrs C Millar, G Owen, L Stovin, D Walls **District Councillors** Mrs C Campbell, J Michell, Mrs S Oatley, **County Councillor** R Marshall

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillor P Kenyon

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

3. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Planning Meeting held on the 10th February 2010, approval proposed by Councillor Campbell, seconded by Councillor Chapman and unanimously approved by the meeting and immediately signed by the Chairman.

4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Limited to 2 minutes per speaker and 15 minutes overall.

Mr Stephen Skinner advised that he had written to the Parish Council to express his concern at the recommendation of moving the bus stop from Bakers Way to the slip road to Wood Road. He believes this is an out of the way location causing security issues and wonders at the wisdom of spending tax payers money in this way.

The Chairman and members briefly explained the road safety concern in the immediate area of the proposed new crossing.

5. PLANNING DECISIONS

The following Planning Decisions from South Staffordshire Council were received and noted:

09/00905/FUL	Refurbishment of existing retail premises with addition of new first floor office accommodation 17 Church Road, Codsall	Refused
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6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Resolved that the following recommendations be made to South Staffordshire Council:

10/00081/FUL Erection of detached dwelling
Land adjacent Danny Park Cottage, Whitehouse Lane,
Codsall Wood

REFUSAL proposed by Councillor Holland, seconded by Councillor Owen on the following grounds:

- **Poor relationship with the existing dwellings, in particular Lamour Cottage**
- **Poor location of the detached garage, conflicting with the pattern of development and detracting from the street scene.**

A vote was taken for **Refusal:**

For	9
Against	0
Abstention	4

10/00068/FUL Roof extensions and alterations plus ground floor extension
to front and rear
45 Oaken Park, Codsall
APPROVAL

10/00074/FUL First floor side extension to create en-suite bedroom and
erection of detached garage
Lawnside Cottage, Strawmoor Lane, Oaken

REFUSAL proposed by Councillor Walls, seconded by Councillor Michell on the following grounds:

- Garage inappropriately positioned, visually damaging in a historic street scene.

A vote was taken for **Refusal:**

For	12
Against	0
Abstentions	1

AL/08/2010/TPO Multi stemmed Willow at rear of property adjacent to brook
Re-pollard for safety reasons back to original pollard points

44 Fairfield Drive, Codsall

no objections raised

7. **To review** previous recommendations on the proposed Puffin Crossing on Bakers Way and consider views raised in Mr S Skinners letter of the 12th February.

Councillor Holland challenged the validity of the discussion as a decision had been made which he believed could not be overturned within 6 months.

A discussion took place, with the Clerk advising that Standing Orders does state that a decision should not be reversed within six months other than by special resolution in writing proposed and seconded by 10 members.

The Clerk advised however that in view of the expiry of the consultation period on the 1st March, and the concerns raised it will be acceptable to review the recommendations this evening, **providing** it is proposed and seconded by 10 members.

Councillor Marshall seconded by Councillor Chapman proposed that the discussion should be allowed:

For 11 Against 0 Abstentions 2

Councillor Etheridge Joined the Meeting

(25th February – The Clerk having now checked Standing Order finds that his advice was slightly inaccurate in that the resolution in writing to reverse a decision within 6 months only needs sufficient councillors to propose and second as constitutes a quorum i.e. 5 councillors.)

The Chairman advised that it would be sensible to revisit this issue in a structured manner starting with the need for an additional crossing. Following discussion this was unanimously supported.

Lengthy discussion followed as to the type of crossing, and the proposed location.

Cllr Stovin seconded by Councillor Etheridge, proposed, “requesting County Council to consider a different location for the crossing and the circumvent the need for requesting the move of the bus stop.”

Cllr Michell offered an amended proposal, “to allow the existing concerns to go forward to County Council with the additional request that County Council review and advise why this particular site had been selected.”

Members were unanimously agreed on the course of the action and the Clerk was asked to write accordingly.

County Councillor Marshall further suggested that County Council should be asked to extend the consultation period by approx. 2 weeks to allow County Council to respond. The response can then be discussed at the next Parish Council meeting.

Councillor Holland further suggested a site meeting with County Council Highway officials would be helpful.

Members unanimously agreed.

County Councillor Marshall advised he would also speak to County Highways to extend the consultation period as suggested.

8. Leisure Garden

To formally agree increase to plot rents. Plot holders were given 12 months notice of increase.

¼ plot £10 (as before)

½ plot £20 (£15)

Full plot £40 (£30)

Approval for increase proposed by Councillor Holland, seconded by Councillor Campbell and unanimously approved by the meeting.

9. Hanging Baskets

To approve the replacement of our 18 'self watering' hanging baskets at approx. cost of £510.00 + VAT.

Approval for replacement proposed by Councillor Holland, seconded by Councillor Marshall and unanimously approved by the meeting.

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 10th March at 7.30pm