

## COLWALL PARISH COUNCIL

### **The minutes of the meeting of Colwall Parish Council held in the Jean Simon Room of Colwall Village Hall, Mill Lane, Colwall at 7.30pm on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2016.**

Present: Councillors, Beard, Butler, Carless, Cooper, Cottam, Fraser, Mills, Rees, Stock, Taylor. County Councillor Johnson , 5 members of the public and the Clerk.

1. **Welcome and Apologies:** The Chairman welcomed those present and apologies for absence were received and accepted from Councillors Haynes, Hughes and Kendrick.

The Chairman welcomed new Councillor Diane Taylor following completion of the "Acceptance of Office".

2. **Declarations of Interests:** The Chairman reminded Councillors of the need to declare any Interests in items on the agenda.  
Councillor Carless declared a non pecuniary interest in item 4 and did not vote on this matter.  
Councillor Mills declared a non pecuniary interest in item 4 and did participate in the discussions but not vote on this matter.

The meeting was adjourned to allow County Councillor Johnson to ask if there were any questions of him. None were made.

The meeting was reconvened.

3. **Minutes:** The minutes of the last meeting of the Parish Council held on the 16th December 2016 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.
4. **Neighbourhood Development Plan**

Colwall Parish Council reviewed the feedback from the Consultation conducted during November 2015 following the public meeting held on the 4<sup>th</sup> November 2015 regarding the draft Neighbourhood Development Plan, and the questions which solely related to the potential site for a new Primary School (Question 17) and the question of further development on the Mill Lane Site (question 19).

i) Colwall Parish Council considered it's response to Herefordshire Council for the development of a new Primary School in Colwall.

IT WAS RESOLVED that Colwall Parish Council would advise Matthew Williams, Estates Management Officer at Herefordshire Council, that following the public consultation held in November 2015 and a review of the comments specifically relating to the question regarding the potential location of a new primary school in Colwall.

Colwall Parish Councils Neighbourhood Development Plan will allocate the site adjacent to the village hall for the new Primary School, in a matter that facilitates its' development as a community hub.

Housing to replace the loss of housing on Plot 9a should be provided for, and is justified because the new primary school is considered "a special case". However, should the Primary School not be built on the site adjacent to the village hall, then the housing

currently outlined in Draft Neighbourhood Development Plan and referred to as Plot 9a, will be reallocated back to plot 9a, and restricted to the area identified as 9a only.

In addition to the statement set out above there are a number of specifics Colwall Parish Council wish to be accommodated.

**These conditions only apply should the Primary School be located at the Mill Lane ` site.**

- A single class entry primary school with associated facilities, to current educational standards, including external hard and soft play areas, grass pitches and forest school.
- At least passive provision for a Pre-school to be included and planned for in the layout including outdoor space and related parking needs etc.
- Drop-off/ turnaround with separate access and egress for the school and its own parking must be provided. Pedestrian access to the school should be provided from both Mill Lane and Walwyn Road via the footpath adjacent to the Thai Restaurant.
- Retention of the oak trees on the Mill Lane boundary is essential.
- The overall siting and layout must be informed by the need to sensitively integrate the development into the high quality landscape in this rural-edge setting, subject to advice by the Malvern Hills Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.
- All development must accord with the Draft Plan including housing appearance, layout, mix and proportion of affordable housing.

The Clerk is to provide a copy of the feedback to Herefordshire Council relating to Questions 17 and 19 only

ii) Colwall Parish Council considered it's response to the written offer re the potential development of the land at Mill Lane for the Primary School, received via the landowners agent.

IT WAS RESOLVED that the Clerk write to the land agent and state that following the public consultation held in November 2015 and a review of the comments specifically relating to the written offer re the potential development of the land at Mill Lane for the Primary School, received via the landowners agent.

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We understand that you have commenced negotiations with Herefordshire Council regarding the new Primary School being located on your land. We hope that the Parish Council response will enable you to be generous in your negotiations with Herefordshire Council, to the benefit of both the school and the community; and to continue the spirit of community beneficence which the Lloyd family has been known for over previous generations.”

**5. Date of next meeting:**

To confirm the date of the next Full Council meeting, this will be held on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2016 and would be held in the Jean Simon Room of Colwall Village Hall.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.45pm.

**Signed:** .....