

PONTESBURY PARISH COUNCIL  
**PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**MONDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2025**

In attendance:

Councillors A Hodges, D Fletcher, M Trow, N Hignett, R Evans, D Jones, A Windows

**PLAN 27.25 Apologies** – none received

**PLAN 28.25 Declarations of Interest in Accordance with the Code of Conduct** - none

**PLAN 29.25 Minutes of Planning Committee** – After a proposal from Cllr Fletcher, seconded by Cllr Trow, the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> August 2025 were signed as a true and accurate record.

**PLAN 30.25 Public Questions & Comments**

**PLAN 31.25 Planning Applications**

31.1 Planning Applications for Pontesbury Parish Council Area –

31.1.1 **PLANNING REFERENCE - 25/02789/PIP**

**DEVELOPMENT PROPOSED** - Permission in Principle for construction of between two and four dwellings

**LOCATION:** - The Chestnuts, Cruckton, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY5 8PW

**OPPOSE:** because we do not believe it is a sustainable location. There is a very infrequent bus service, the nearest shops are 2 miles away, need to access shops by car, along a route totally unsuitable for walking because it lacks pavements, street lighting and has a 60mph speed limit. The Pontesbury Parish Neighbourhood Plan does not regard any development outside Pontesbury village as suitable for housing development except for exception sites. We note that great play is put on the lack of 5-year housing supply and therefore we would wish any plans for this development, be submitted within 12 months under the PiP.

**Following a vote, Cllr Fletcher proposes to Oppose application 25/02789/PIP, Cllr Jones seconded, all attendees agreed to Oppose the application, except Cllr Windows who wishes to abstain.**

31.1.2 **PLANNING REFERENCE - 25/02824/SCO**

**DEVELOPMENT PROPOSED:** Request for a scoping opinion for a mixed-use urban extension comprising up to 1400 homes, green infrastructure, employment land, local centre and option for school expansion.

**LOCATION:** Land North Of Hanwood Road Lower Edgbold Shrewsbury SY5 8NU

Comments from Pontesbury Parish Council:

- Support the proposed scope of the Environmental Impact Assessment.

- Pontesbury Parish Council hope that particular attention is given to ensuring safe access for vehicles, pedestrians and cyclists across Edgebold Island from both East and West approaches. Given climate change much greater future use of the island and the already high number of accidents both personal and to vehicles [many go unreported] the Parish Council has grave concerns regarding the potential impact of the projected large development on future users of the island. The recent ATR is of much relevance here.

### **31.1.3 PLANNING REFERENCE - 25/02787/FUL**

**DEVELOPMENT PROPOSED** - Construction of an oak framed balcony to rear and alteration of first floor window to door opening

**LOCATION:** - Hinwood Cottage, Hinwood Road, Westbury, Shrewsbury

**SUPPORT:** Support, well-designed, appropriate materials, enhanced appearance, and it will not impact significantly on the privacy and amenity of neighbours, hence support.

### **PLAN 32.25 PONTESBURY PREAPM/24/00198 PRoW PRE APP RESPONSE**

Severn Trent would still like to progress with a Permanent PROW Diversion, and included with this agenda is a revised diversion route which takes into accounts the Parish Councils comments being:

there is an easier and more pleasant alternative which would follow the line of the existing path, until closer to the Severn Trent site with minimum use of the vehicle track, which will be utilised by an increasing number of vehicles.

Please note that, due to construction and the size of the site, Severn Trent feel that this is viable route which suitably concludes the needs from all parties and considers any future developments that STW may require. Attached is the most up to date location plan for review – it is understood the red outline reflects the new site boundary and the yellow to be a compound area, utilised for construction.

Severn Trent would like to hear the Planning Committee's thoughts, and whether you think the route needs to align more similarly with the current ROW.

Pontesbury Parish Council Planning Committee oppose this new proposed route, because it still mixes pedestrians with HGVs in a narrow lane. The parish council do not wish to put our residents at risk.

Suggest an alternative route following the current water course in a northerly direction on the East bank, and around to the north west of the Severn Trent Plant and pick up the existing RoW

**PLAN 33.25 Date of Next Meeting** The next Pontesbury Parish Council Planning Committee meeting to be held on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2025 at 6.30pm in the Pavilion.

Meeting Closed at 1932

Chairman: .....

Date: .....