Minutes of the Meeting of Wyeside Group Parish Council held in The Odd House, Blakemere on Wednesday 3rd February 2010 at 7.30pm

In attendance

Councillor D.Price in the chair.

Councillors L.Whittall, J.Brown, O.Pugh, G.Roper, R.Dudman, S.Whittall, D.Bowen, P.Price.

6. Apologies

M.Prosser J.Williams, G.Whittall

2. Declarations of Interest - Nil

3. Previous Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were signed as a true record.

4. i. Parish Plan - This was deferred to the next meeting. It was advised that as many Councillors as possible attend a Local Development Framework presentation at Peterchurch on Monday 8th February at 7pm.Consultation can be made as to the value of having a parish plan when planning applications are considered.

5. Roads

Winter Gritting – the County has 3,291 km of roads with 963 km being priority gritting routes while 684 km are secondary routes. The main responsibility is to ensure that primary routes are made secure and secondary gritting takes place when ensured that this can be maintained

The severe weather in January has caused major issues with all roads throughout the County. Repairs have been prioritised to all A and B roads. An additional 1.5 million pounds has been

allocated for maintenance required this year.

The vast number of potholes has been reported on all C and U roads in the area.

Arrangements will be made with Amey for a parish walkabout when all defects previously reported to them can be highlighted. MP has agreed to assist.

Bredwardine – the road breaking up on both sides by Old Castle.

Two salt bins broken in Pentre Lane.

Dorstone Hill needs to be added to the gritting list.

A major pot hole in Gypsy Lane will be reported to Staunton P.C. along with the need of a replacement litter bin in the layby at the bottom of Harps Pitch on the A438.

Preston-on-Wye – the overhanging trees at Haynstone Orchard are still causing problems. MP will endeavour to resolve the issue.

Salt bins require filling.

6. Correspondence

Jarvis Charity –Jen Maddison has been nominated to serve as the PC representative as Nominative Trustee of the Eleemosynary Charity for a further four years.

Amey – Parish Councils' Satisfaction Survey will be completed by MP and the clerk.

Local Development Framework and Local Transport Plan 3 – consultation exercises will run from 18th January to 12th March. The LDF will supersede the Unitary Development Plan. You can find out what planning options are for your area, village and county (until 2026) by visiting one of the many roadshows in February or by telephoning 01432 260386 or via

www.herefordshire.gov.uk/corestrategy

PACT Forum – 7pm Thursday 18th February at 7pm

Parish Councillors Guide (new edition) @ £15.95 per single copy.

HALC evening courses held at Brockington

Understanding the role of a PC Chairman – 16th March –6.30pm -£20 How to be an effective Parish Councillor – 18th February – 7pm -£20 Understanding Village Greens & Common Land – 4th March –7pm -£20

Council and Clerks direct - magazine

Thank you's received for donations made by the PC for Churchyard maintenance.

7. Accounts – approved

Opening balance £ 9141.49

Receipts - 24p/26p (Bank Interest- Dec/Jan) £812.25 (Lengthsman Allowance) Payments - £18 (Odd House room hire x2)£190.35 (Upper Bridge Enterprises-

Blakemere website licence)

Closing Balance £ 9745.89

8. Matters raised by Members

Mobile Library – members have been informed that library calls will be made at six week intervals instead of the current three week. This is poor service for those that rely on the mobile library. The clerk will liaise with the Council.

Telephone Kiosk at Bredwardine – requires some maintenance and painting.

A current bus timetable in required for the Blakemere notice board.

9. Planning

Applications

Meadowcroft, Blakemere - Replacement of single storey prefab garage, replacement of boiler room and prefab utility room with single storey utility room with windows to the South – no issues.

Bronllys Cottage, Bredwardine – erection of an Agricultural Building – no issues.

New house, Preston-on-Wye – erection of an Agricultural Building – no issues.

Decisions

The Barn, Haynstone Orchard, Preston-on-Wye –variation of condition six – permission granted.

The Cottage, Haynstone Orchard, Preston-on-Wye – varaiation of condition six – permission granted.

Village Hall, Bredwardine – installation of a 3.78 KWP over roof solar photovoltaic system on the village hall roof – permission granted.

The Barn/granary, Newhouse Farm, Moccas – to erect an additional pole in the existing low voltage overhead line – no objection

10. Next meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Wednesday 3rd March 2010 at Moccas Village Hall at 7.30pm

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.55pm.