

*Minutes of the Meeting of Wyeside Group Parish Council held in The Village Hall, Moccas, on
Wednesday 2nd April 2014 at 8.00pm.*

In attendance

Councillors, J Dale, O. Whittall, O Pugh, J. Newsome, A Rawstorne, J Hughes, D Price, R Dudman, A Clipson and J. Williams plus Parish Clerk Mrs A. M. Wright and Ward Cllr. P. Price

1. Apologies

No Apologies received. Cllr J Hughes and Cllr S Whittall not present.

2. Declarations of Interest

None declared at this point.

3. To approve previous Minutes and matters arising

The minutes of the previous meeting, held on 5th March 2014, were signed as a true and correct record of the meeting.

4. Report of North Ward County Councillor

Cllr P Price gave his report, which is summarised here: -

Cllr Price gave a vote of thanks to those involved in carrying out the works at Bodcote including Cllr Whittall.

Balfour Beatty would be appointing five locality stewards from within their existing staff. These stewards would liaise with Parishes going forward. Monies awarded from the Bellwin Fund, for repairs following the flood damage to highways, had received an extension on spend deadline from the end of March to the end of May. Herefordshire had received a further £3.5 million award but the county had received little publicity, unlike other parts of the country, but had still suffered problems as a result of the rainfall and flooding. The additional award would be used to address problems caused by the flooding events and resultant damage. The normal spend on the public realm contract for the public rights of way, parks, open land etc. had seen a reduction on budget available from £7.5 million to £5.8 million. There was a £41 million budget for the entire public realm contract for the year.

The bus service consultation was ongoing and feedback had been received. There would be new dates announced for the consultation meetings, following the cancellation of the previous ones that had been arranged.

The Core Strategy was not yet in place and the current planning document, the Unitary Development Plan (UDP) had all but expired as a reference document so there were planning issues to the fore and developers had been putting in applications for houses that had been passed, in the absence of a robust five year land supply document. Questions remained over Neighbourhood Plans being allied to the Core Strategy when it was not yet ratified. The Core Strategy issues including nutrient plans for the Rivers Wye and Lugg and traffic modelling on the road infrastructure south of the River Wye, as identified, had been addressed and the document was set for presentation to the Government Inspector in September 2014, but may not actually be in fully adopted until early 2015. The advice was to press on with the Neighbourhood Plans.

5. Planning

One application had been received:-

Site:	Crafta Webb, 6a Orchard Place, Bredwardine, Herefordshire, HR2 6DB
Description:	Two storey side extension
Application No:	P140517/FH
Grid Ref:	OS 333086, 244603
Application Type:	Full Householder

The Parish Council had no objections to the application

6. Lengthsman to advise works for the Lengthsman

Drains required rodding on the left hand side of the road B4352 between Bodcote Lodge and Pentre Lane plus further down the road by Town House Farm opposite the Stonemason's in Bredwardine, this time on the right hand side of the road

7. Roads To report on highway issues

Much of the tree blockage at Bredwardine Bridge had been cleared but there was still a tree on the Brobury side causing a problem.

Crossroads of Peterchurch with Stockley Hill there is a pond with a drain underneath. The drain has fallen away.

Road near to Old Court Farm, Bredwardine, HR3 6BT is uneven and requires resurfacing.

8. Footpaths To report on footpath issues

A new finger post has been installed to replace the one missing from one end of the footpath below Hainstone.

9. Correspondence

These were acknowledged, as per the information sheet, and included information from HALC, a letter from the West Mercia Police Commander concerning his retirement, plus information regarding a Neighbourhood Plan Seminar on the 9th April from 1.00 to 4.00 pm which representatives from the Steering Group hoped to attend.

10. To approve accounts

It was resolved to approve the accounts and payments as detailed here. Payments were proposed by Cllr J. Williams and seconded by Cllr A. Clipson. Carried

Opening balance	Balance at 26 February 2014	£7391.52
	<i>Receipts</i>	£0.00
	<i>Payments</i>	Clerk £232.65 (salary £164.90, travel £47.75, home office £20.00)
		Tax £41.10
	HALC Subscription 2014/15	£364.69
	I.C.O. (Data Controllers) Registration	£35.00

11. Neighbourhood Plan

There had been several meetings of the Steering Group and the Minutes of the Meetings held on 26th February and 12th March were signed as true and correct records. The price of the "flyer" delivery was discussed and the Post Office would charge £500.00 plus VAT for up to 8300 leaflets for house to house delivery. Given the number of properties involved postage would be cheaper and house to house hand delivery by Steering Group members, and helpers, had not been ruled out.

12. End of Year Accounts including review and acceptance of Finance and Risk Policies

The Clerk had matters "in hand" and the relevant financial documentation for the additional audit requirements had been adopted previously.

13. Bus Services – subsidy and provision to discuss and update

The meetings to be held to discuss the services had been postponed and would be re-scheduled. It was important for any concerns about the services to be relayed and customers could write in to the Herefordshire Council to make their views known.

14. Matters raised by members for the next Agenda

Neighbourhood Plan Meeting update

15. Date of next meeting

The next main meeting of the Parish Council would be the Annual Statutory Meeting and would be held on Wednesday 7th May 2014 at the Village Hall, Preston on Wye, at 8.00 pm. Individual Parish Annual Meetings would be advised and held separately in each Parish.

NB Due to the confidential nature of the business of the final item, under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meeting) Act 1960(3) it was proposed to put forward a motion to exclude members of the public during discussion of item 16.

16. Clerks Annual Incremental Review

The Clerk left the room for the discussion and on returning was advised that an incremental rise was to be awarded from 1st April 2014. Proposed Cllr Williams and seconded by Cllr Roper.

Meeting closed at 8.50pm

SIGNED

DATED