

*Minutes of the Meeting of Wyeside Group Parish Council held in The Village Hall, Moccas, on
Wednesday 4th June 2014 at 8.00pm.*

In attendance

Councillors J Dale, O Pugh, J. Newsome, D. Roper, J Hughes, D Price, A Clipson and O. Whittall plus Parish Clerk Mrs A. M. Wright and Ward Cllr. P. Price, and 2 members of the public

1. Apologies

Apologies received from Cllrs S Whittall, A Rawstone, R Dudman and J Williams
Acceptance of Office form signed by new Chair, Cllr O Whittall and witnessed by the Clerk

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 7th May 2014, were signed as a true and correct record of the meeting with the a note made that Cllr D Roper had been present at the meeting on the 7th May and also at the meeting on 2nd April, although his name had been omitted from the list of attendees at both meetings in error. The Clerk apologised for this oversight.

4. Report of North Ward County Councillor

Cllr P Price gave his report, which can be read in his separate report entry. Summarised here he spoke of a change to the make-up of the Herefordshire Council following two members' deaths. The Conservatives no longer held the majority of seats. There had been some changes to the portfolios of the cabinet members and Cllr Paul Rone was now looking after highways and Cllr Price, The Core Strategy implementation and infrastructure. See more information on the Core Strategy under the "correspondence" section. Reductions in the number of verge mowing sessions were causing controversy, although splays and areas of poor visibility were still to be cut regularly.

5. Planning

The following planning application had been received:

Site:	Holywell Cottage, Blakemere, Hereford, HR2 9JY
Description:	Annexe extension for a dependent relative
Application No:	P140075/FH
Grid Ref:	OS 337055, 241398
Application Type:	Full householder

There were no objections to this application from the Parish Council.

6. Lengthsman To report on lengthsman issues

Cllr Pugh had contacted the Lengthsman Co-ordinator and established that he was happy to continue in the role. Cllr Pugh presented an invoice for payment from the Lengthsman for work carried out, under the scheme, from January to June 2014.

7. Roads To report on road issues

Vince Playdon, from Balfour Beatty, was acting Locality Steward for the Parish. Ward Cllr Price had taken him on a tour of the Parish to show him areas of concern. When the new Locality Steward was appointed they would be introduced to the Parish Councils and would be working closely with them and hopefully attending Parish Council Meetings. Defects were being marked up for attention with yellow paint and loaded into GPS system to record the requirement for attention. Potholes can

be reported directly on the Herefordshire Council website and progress reports obtained if the reporting person fills in their e mail address for updates to be posted.

Items of concern to be reported to Balfour Beatty this month include:

- Large Pothole by the Deer Park at Moccas
- Cover missing from drain by the cattle grid at the entrance to Longlease, Bredwardine on the B4352, on the left hand side of the road if travelling towards Hay on Wye.
- Stockley Hill Road, down the cutting there is a culvert but water is bypassing the brook because the trap is set too high

8. Footpaths To report on footpath issues

Cllr Newsome reported that part of the circular route, although signposted as such around Preston, namely between Preston Church and Ploughfield, Haynstone, was not accessible for dog walkers due to “no access” stiles. It was noted that Jonathan Roger, Public Rights Of Way Officer, had now left Balfour Beatty.

9. Correspondence

The items were noted as per the information sheet and, in particular, attention was drawn to the consultation taking place on the revised Core Strategy with opportunities for all to comment. Details are as follows:

Herefordshire Council

Herefordshire Local Plan – Core Strategy 2011 – 2031 Pre submission publication 22 May – 3 July 2014

This has been represented for consultation, between the above dates. Also online representation can be made at:

www.herefordshire.gov.uk/local-plan

10. To approve accounts

It was resolved to approve the accounts and payments as detailed here. Proposed by Cllr Whittall and seconded by Cllr Clipson. Carried

Statement balance at 23 April 2014 £10124.93

<i>Receipts</i>	<i>£4062.25 (Precept and Lengthsman Grant)</i>
<i>Payments</i>	<i>Clerk £316.71 (salary £268.90, travel £27.45, home office £20.00, stamps adj. 0.36)</i>
	<i>Tax £67.20</i>
	<i>Herefordshire Council (Planning apps) £28.00</i>
	<i>Lengthsman £800.00</i>

11. Neighbourhood Plan Meeting update and minutes of meetings

The Minutes of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group Meetings held on 29th April and 21st May 2014 were presented, and approved, as true records of the meetings. Plans were in progress to have information stands at forthcoming local events to raise awareness of the venture and to give opportunities for people to feed into the “Planning for Real” exercises that would shape the ultimate questionnaire. Events identified included 28th June - Moccas Fete, 18th July - Tyberton Barbeque, 2nd August – Bredwardine Fete. Reps were needed from councillors in each of the five parishes to attend the Steering Group Meetings and become involved. The next meeting of the Steering Group would be on Wednesday 11th June at Moccas Hall, 7.30pm.

12. End of year figures including acceptance of figures etc. for Grant Thornton

The Clerk had completed the end of year accounts and read out the declarations to the Parish Council for their approval. The accounts were then signed and dated by the Clerk and Chair.

Thanks, once again, are extended to our internal auditor, John Entwisle, for examining the accounts.

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

We were still awaiting confirmation of the status of the consultation. The Clerk would contact Anthony Bush, Parish Liaison Office at Herefordshire Council, to see if any results or decisions had been published.

14. Matters raised by members for the next Agenda

Neighbourhood Plan Meeting update, bus service review update, speed limits in the villages, proposal of an idea to locate a seat at the site of the old Bredwardine War Memorial.

15. Date of next meeting

The next main meeting of the Parish Council would be held on Wednesday 9th July 2014 at the Village Hall, Preston on Wye, at 8.00 pm.

Meeting closed at 9.21pm

SIGNED

DATED