

*Minutes of the Meeting of Wyeside Group Parish Council held in The Village Hall, Moccas, on
Wednesday 4th February 2015 at 7.30pm.*

In attendance

Councillors J Dale, J Hughes, D Price, O Whittall, J Newsome, A Clipson, S Whittall, H Smith and A Rawstone plus Parish Clerk Mrs A M Wright and Ward Cllr. P Price

1. Apologies

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies were received from Cllrs R Dudman and N Bowen plus the Locality Steward, Linzy Outtrim and from the PCSO. Cllrs D Roper and O Pugh were not present.

2. Declarations of Interest

None declared at this point.

Open Session

There were no matters raised.

3. To approve previous Minutes and matters arising

The minutes of the previous meeting, held on 3rd December 2014 were signed as a true and correct record of the meeting.

4. Report of North Ward County Councillor

Ward Cllr P Price gave his report, which can be read in his separate report entry. He gave an overview of flooding alerts, and river watch committees, and took on board some issues regarding a late notification in tide rises on the Wye which had resulted in loss of life to cattle.

There was also an update on the City Link Road with some timescales for land acquisition and completion of the project.

The Core Strategy Inspection would now move into an examination stage from 9th February and there would be the opportunity for those who had questioned elements of it to speak. There are still some ongoing issues around the handling of minerals and waste from building which are under review.

The South Wye Transport Package was also spoken of regarding route SC2 from the A49 to the A465. There had been a consultation day held at the Three Counties Hotel on the 29th January and now the papers would be in public libraries and available for inspection.

There was also some information about a proposed rail link for Rotherwas and a survey looking into demand and an appraisal of this were pending.

It was noted that a large pothole on the road leading from the Red Lion at Bredwardine towards Old Court Farm had been patched.

5. Planning

There had been one application received.

APPLICATION NO & SITE ADDRESS:	P142945/F - Bye Cross Farm, Moccas, Hereford, Herefordshire HR2 9LJ
DESCRIPTION:	Erection of shed for canoe hire (retrospective). Proposed erection of oak frame roof over outside table.
APPLICANT(S):	Mr Tony Fenn
GRID REF:	OS 337546, 242522
APPLICATION TYPE:	Planning Permission

It was resolved to send the following response:

The Wyeside Parish Council make the following comments: "There is no objection to the application but there is some concern regarding the growth of the enterprise and consequent increase in trailer traffic containing canoes etc. using the small entry and exit roads. This is in relation to both volume of use and observations regarding the speed of the traffic."

6. Lengthsman : To advise works for the Lengthsman and confirm new funding and to update re the meeting with Balfour Beatty held on the 3rd February

The Clerk gave an update on the meeting attended with Balfour Beatty on the 3rd February. There were some changes to the scheme going forward and correct safety procedures and insurance matters were explained. The grant application had been submitted to Balfour Beatty for the base amount and matched funding. It was resolved that Cllr Owen Whittall and the Clerk would liaise with the Lengthsman over tasks for the time being.

7. Roads: To report on highway issues and latest information from Balfour Beatty

Following on from the faults reported at the previous meeting and requests for the Locality Steward to attend parish walks with the local councillors, these had taken place and resolutions to a number of issues had been made. Thank you to all who had given up their time to show and explain the issues to the Locality Steward and to her also for the responses and remedial actions.

Information had been received from Balfour Beatty following the concerns raised regarding the placement of speed limit signs in Tyberton Village.

Current issues reported were as follows:

- Road from Holly Tree Pitch and the Turnpike from Preston (going to wards the egg fridge) potholes and surface issues.
- Potholes on the road outside the Weston Farm, Bredwardine.
- Road past Old Court Farm (turning right by the Red Lion Public House) requires yellow lining to be repainted as this has weathered.
- Concern was raised regarding the "national speed limit applies" signs at the top of the Old Court Farm Road, also, as it was felt that this could provide an encouragement for people to "speed up" down that particular stretch of road.

8. Footpaths To report on footpath issues

The Footpath Officer outlined his review of the paths and explained that some sign posts and arrows were missing. He would be speaking to the Locality Steward regarding signs that required revision.

It was resolved that Wyeside should seek to rejoin the P3 (Parish Paths Partnership) Footpath Scheme and try to obtain the grant funding available to help carry out required identified footpath works, where possible. The Clerk would make this application to Balfour Beatty.

9. Correspondence

The items were noted as per the information sheet and included information regarding a change of administration for the Jarvis Charities. It was resolved that the Clerk should write to the Charities to request up to date accounts and to ask some questions regarding the distribution of funds, with particular reference to the Bredwardine Village Hall.

There had been a resignation letter received from Cllr Reg Dudman who would leave his role as Councillor following the meeting to be held on the 4th March.

There had also been circulars from Balfour Beatty, containing news updates, and from HALC concerning training availability and election protocols.

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 22 Dec 2014 £8065.82

Receipts £255.00 Reimbursement re Neighbourhood Plan front runner fund plus £812.25 Lengthsman Grant
Payments Clerk £702.52(salary £613.30, travel £35.73, home office (Feb) £20.00, stationery £8.50 ink £24.99) Upper Bridge Enterprises (web hosting) £212.05
 Neighbourhood Plan Printing £178.92

11. Neighbourhood Plan Meeting update and minutes of meetings

There had been further meetings and the minutes would be presented at the next meeting. The Questionnaires were now back in and comprehensive analysis had been progressed. A draft report, and supporting chart evidence, had been circulated for review and comment. The next meeting would be held on the 11th February at 7.30pm in the Moccas Village Hall.

12. Financial Regulations – new model - to discuss

Cllr Clipson had kindly reviewed the regulations and made some amendments. These were being reviewed, by the remaining councillors, and would go forward for approval at the March meeting.

13. HALC Bulletin and training - to discuss

Information had been circulated concerning training available and election procedures. The Clerk would circulate actions as required regarding nominations etc. for the parish elections to be held on the 7th May in conjunction with the Country and County elections.

14. Matters raised by members for the next agenda

Financial Regulations, Jarvis Charity (update), Churchyard donations.

15. Date of next meeting

The next main meeting of the Parish Council would be held on Wednesday 4th March 2015 at The Village Hall, Preston on Wye, at 7.30pm

Meeting closed at 9.09 pm

SIGNED

DATED