

*Minutes of the Meeting of Wyeside Group Parish Council held in The Village Hall, Moccas, on
Wednesday 6th September 2017 at 8.00pm*

In attendance

Councillors J. Dale (in the Chair), D. Price, J. Darbyshire, J. Newsome, J. Hughes, W. Whittall, B. Bowen, O. Whittall (for part) D. Roper, plus Parish Clerk; Mrs A. M. Wright and Ward Cllr. Philip Price. Also in attendance Lengthsman Paul Wright and PCSO Pete Knight (for part)

Cllr Dale welcomed everyone to the Meeting.

1. Apologies for absence

There were apologies received from Cllrs O. Pugh, S. Russell, A Smith and A. Rawstorne.

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

4. To approve previous minutes of the Meeting held on 5th July 2017

The minutes of the previous meeting of the Parish Council, held on 5th July 2017, were signed as a true and correct record of the meeting.

PCSO Pete Knight updated the meeting regarding recent policing activities. The importance of calling 101 to report any suspicious vehicles, or activity, was emphasised. He also outlined the increase in scams, and cold calling, including those for alarm systems and urged people to be vigilant. The cold callers were not affiliated to the Police, although some may claim to be. The relocation to the Fire Station, for the Police in Peterchurch, was pending. The use of mobile devices and Wi Fi was going quite well. The free of charge anti-theft property marking service was still available. The Police and Safer Roads Partnership had, like the Parish Council, been consulted regarding the use of parking restrictions (yellow lines) in the vicinity of Bredwardine Bridge. There was a discussion over the concerns regarding large numbers of vehicles parking in the vicinity of the bridge, on occasions, and of the potential for there to be obstruction of the roadway. PCSO Knight outlined the position of the Police and said that they were empowered to deal with incidences of obstruction. After discussion, it was agreed that the Parish Council would respond to the consultation making the following points:

- 1) That the yellow lining be extended from the Bredwardine Bridge up to the Red Lion Public House
- 2) That parking may be available on the approach road to the church and that appropriate signage could encourage this, subject to non-obstruction of the road for access for services. These comments would be relayed to the Traffic Consultant.

PCSO Knight left the meeting following his bulletin update and discussion of the parking consultation.

4. Report of North Ward Councillor

Ward Cllr. Price gave an update on his report. The Challenge £5 million funding for road repairs had been successful in terms of bids to repair roads A465, A438 and A4103. These repairs would start in September and there would be notified road closures. Further details would be found in the published Ward Member Report.

Cllr O Whittall entered the meeting at this point.

There was a discussion on potholes around manhole covers and it how it may become parish policy as to how roads would be maintained via lengthsman services and possible precept budgeting for funding.

5. Neighbourhood Plan – update including examination process

Cllr Darbyshire explained that there had been a “balancing act” in terms of revisions to the plan in response to the examiner’s report findings. There would be a requirement for a special joint Steering Group and Parish Council Meeting to be held to discuss and ratify the implications of the recommendations and the resultant amendments. There had been a number of modifications but on the whole the Group had attained what had been asked for. The report would be made public and there would be a public awareness programme ahead of the referendum.

There was a recommendation that a “thank you” be sent to the examiner in appreciation of his evaluation of the plan.

The Clerk would arrange the date and time of the joint meeting.

6. Lengthsman - To advise of works for the Lengthsman

The Lengthsman reported that season clearance and strimming would follow behind the main contractor hedge flail.

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

Potholes reported at the Weston. Also potholes close to “Lions Den”.

8. Footpaths and Tree Warden - To report on footpaths issues and trees

The Footpath Officer, Cllr Newsome updated the meeting regarding stiles and gates that he had cleared for access. He would discuss way marking and finger posts with the Lengthsman. He presented some forms for the monitoring of Ash “die back” and information on this, plus the forms, would be circulated to all.

9. Correspondence – Refer to information sheet

The correspondence received was noted and included:

“Dear Parish /Town clerk

Please find attached a letter from the Herefordshire Clinical Commissioning Group regarding community health and GP practice services.

You can find the survey mentioned in the letter at:-

<https://www.herefordshireccg.nhs.uk/>

“Dear Parish/Town Clerk

I write to invite your councillors to a seminar on September 28th at 6.30pm in the Shirehall Hereford.

This “update” seminar is the first of the new season of seminars specifically for parish councillors.

The topics to be covered are:-

Neighbourhood Development Plans and the new Direct Planning Document

Code of Conduct for Parish Councillors and NDP Steering Groups

Safeguarding – parish responsibilities

I would be grateful if you circulate this invitation and let me know who would like to attend.

10. To approve payments and note balances

It was resolved to approve the accounts and payments as detailed here:

Bank Statement balance at August 2017: £10,662.26

Mrs A Wright (salary £366.93, mileage £16.20, home office £20.00)	£403.13
The Post Office Ltd (Tax)	£104.20
Dr A C Maddison (web NDP)	£50.00
Total	£557.33

11. Update on provision of the Parish Freighter for rubbish disposal

Deferred to next meeting

12. 30mph signs at Tyberton – update on current placement and request for relocation

Following review of the traffic regulation order, in current existence and the present location of the 30mph signs, it was agreed that the signs should be moved back towards the Moccas side of Tyberton sufficiently to encompass the habitats and roadway that currently fell outside of the 30mph restricted area, approximately 50 yards past the last house (Oakleigh) in the village. The Clerk would formally request the review of the positioning, and new traffic regulation order, with the Ward Cllr.

13. Planning

Two applications had been received for consideration as follows:

Application No. 172536, Hudie Morgans, Bredwardine HR3 6BZ - proposed erection of a two storey extension, single storey extension and replacement of garage with a new timber outbuilding in a similar position

This proposal was discussed. It was resolved that the Parish Council would support the proposal.

Application No. 172766 - Barns at Middle Bellamore, Preston on Wye - proposed conversion of barn and garage to form holiday lets

This proposal was discussed. It was resolved that the Parish Council would support the proposal.

14. Bredwardine Bridge - update re maintenance enquiry plus TRO from 2009

This was discussed in the presence of the PCSO in relation to parking regulation. Correspondence had been received from Balfour Beatty regarding maintenance of the bridge following Parish Council and Ward Cllr requests. A recent bridge closure, for maintenance works to be carried out, had not been highlighted to the Parish Council and this issue had been raised to hopefully prevent any repetition of the lack of notice going forward.

15. To discuss provision of free health services

Cllr Newsome explained about a Supportive Communities Stakeholder Event. The NHS were trying to assist with a programme of public health issues support such as stopping smoking advice, diet and exercise etc. Contact details for information: gwenda.elison@herefordshire.gov.uk

16. Matters raised by members for the next agenda

All of the usual items would be included, plus speed in relation to canoe trailers on the parishes' roads. Moccas Court Sign causing obstruction to view at junction (to discuss possible removal)

17. Date of next meeting

To confirm date of the next Meeting of the Parish Council, this would be held on Wednesday 4th October 2017 at The Village Hall, Preston on Wye, at 8.00pm.

The Meeting closed at 10.00pm

SIGNED

DATED