

*Minutes of the Meeting of Wyeside Group Parish Council held in The Village Hall, Moccas, on
Wednesday 4th April 2018 at 7.30pm*

In attendance

Councillors J. Dale (in the Chair), A. Rawstone, D. Roper, W. Whittall, J. Hughes, B. Bowen, A. Smith, D. Price J. Darbyshire plus Ward Cllr P Price, Parish Clerk Mrs A. M. Wright and two members of the public

Cllr Dale welcomed everyone to the Meeting.

Public Question Time - Open Session with members of the public

There was a brief open session during which two parishioners outlined some ideas for the development of buildings and land at their property in Preston on Wye. The Parish Council listened to some ideas for developing the site and advised the parishioners that the Parish Council would not be in a position to give advice on the proposals but would look at, and possibly comment on, any forthcoming applications for planning. Any application would be considered in line with the currently emerging Neighbourhood Development Plan for the group of parishes. Cllr Darbyshire agreed to send the parishioners a copy of the emerging plan, for their reference, and they gave their e mail address details for this purpose. The Parish Council thanked the parishioners for attending to present their ideas and the parishioners then left the meeting at 8.15pm.

1. Apologies for absence

There were apologies received from Cllrs O. Pugh, O. Whittall, S. Russell and J. Newsome.

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3. To approve previous minutes of the Meeting held on 7th March 2018

The minutes of the previous meeting of the Parish Council, held on 7th March 2018, were signed as a true and correct record of the meeting.

4. Report of North Ward Councillor

Ward Cllr. Price gave a summary of his report. He updated the meeting regarding the consultation on the Transport Package proposals. Responses were being analysed. He advised that land was selling at a premium. Historic England had been consulted on a review of the character preservation of Hereford City, which had a character “all of its own”. There was an update on local developments and some clarification given on a story about child welfare that had recently been in the Hereford Times. The case presented was from ten years previously and new processes were now in place.

One of the councillors questioned the proposals for the by-pass in terms of needs assessment and the Ward Cllr confirmed that the relevant surveys had been undertaken. There may be more multi-storey parking and options for sustainable travel going forward.

5. Neighbourhood Plan – update regarding position and to make choice of examiner

It was now time to appoint an examiner to look at the revised submission of the plan. The merits of the three proposed candidates were reviewed and it was proposed by Cllr Darbyshire, seconded by Cllr Roper and carried unanimously, that Examiner Robert Bryan be selected for the task. The Clerk would advise the Planning Authority representative of this decision.

6. Lengthsman - To advise of works for the Lengthsman

The Clerk would be attending an update meeting with Balfour Beatty on 16/04/18. The county was besieged with many potholes and a velocity patching operation was underway to try to deal with this.

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

The deep and numerous potholes outside “Woodfield” would again be highlighted. Mud on the road between Madley and Lulham would be reported to the Madley Clerk. There was concern expressed regarding visibility of the “Steerfield” bridge and notice/kerbing may be required to safeguard against future possible collision damage.

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

The Tree Warden and Footpath Officer, Cllr Newsome, had sent his apologies. The diseased horse chestnut tree had been removed from the Blakemere Green. Thank you was recorded to Russell Contracting who had undertaken the tree surgery works on the Green, including the removal. The Blakemere Parish Meeting would discuss any replacement tree planting.

9. Correspondence – Refer to information sheet

The contents of the sheet were noted and included GDPR training update.

10. To approve payments and note balances

10.1) To approve balance and payments. It was resolved to approve the accounts and payments as detailed here:

Mrs A Wright (salary Apr £376.90, mileage £36.45, home office £20.00, stamps £6.96, stationery £4.70)	£445.01
Russell Contracting (Tree Surgery)	£660.00
Total	£1105.01

Bank Statement balance at April 2018 Meeting: £12,178.13

11. Parish Freighter for rubbish disposal

Notice regarding what could go in the freighter disposal service would be sent to Link and Pump to start to raise awareness of the options.

12. Web site - regarding position and grant funding

Grant funding for compliance with the Transparency Act had been received. The web master would provide an invoice once the web site works had been completed.

13. Planning as may be advised

Two amended applications had been advised:

APPLICATION NO & SITE ADDRESS: Planning Consultation - 180340 – New House Farm, Moccas, Herefordshire HR2 9LA

DESCRIPTION: To remove an existing single storey extension and replace with a garden room to the rear gable of the main house: To re-clad and insulate the external walls of the barn and to introduce additional glazing at 2 sites

GRID REF: OS 335709, 242286

APPLICATION TYPE: Full Householder

APPLICATION NO & SITE ADDRESS: Planning Consultation - 180341 – New House Farm, Moccas Herefordshire HR2 9LA

DESCRIPTION: To remove an existing single storey extension and replace with a garden room to the rear gable of the main house; To re-clad and insulate the external walls of the barn and to introduce additional glazing at 2 sites

GRID REF: OS 335709, 242286

APPLICATION TYPE: Listed Building Consent

The Parish Council considered the two amended related applications 180340 and 180341 and resolved that there were no objections to the amended proposals.

14. To consider GDPR (Data Protection Regulations) changes and policies for compliance

Research into appropriate policy wording was ongoing. Training had taken place and further details would follow at the May Parish Council Meeting.

15. Web and internet training update – to receive any update and decide on actions

Cllr Newsome had sent his apologies so this item would be postponed.

16. Matters raised by members for the next agenda

All of the usual items would be included, plus updates on the Neighbourhood Plan consultation process, website, internet training and parish freighter provision. Also - adoption of policies for GDPR Data Protection regulations. Annual Parish Meetings for the Group Parishes would be arranged and held in each of the five parishes.

17. Date of next meeting

To confirm date of the next Meeting of the Parish Council (Annual Statutory), this would be held on Wednesday 2nd May 2018 at The Village Hall, Preston on Wye, at 8.00pm.

The Meeting closed at 9.26pm

SIGNED

DATED