

*Minutes of the Meeting of Wyeside Group Parish Council held in The Village Hall, Moccas, on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2019 at 8.00pm*

**In attendance**

Councillors J. Dale (re-elected as chair), W. Whittall, J. Newsome, J. Hughes, O. Whittall, A. Rawstone, D. Roper, C. Chu and B. Bowen plus Ward Cllr J Hewitt and Parish Clerk Mrs A. M. Wright. Also in attendance, for the first part of the meeting, was PCSO Fiona Witcher

Cllr Dale welcomed everyone to the Meeting.

**Public Question Time - Open Session with members of the public**

PCSO Fiona Witcher advised that a landrover had been stolen between 11.30 am and 1.00 pm, that day, from a property in Bredwardine. Telephone scam calls were discussed with bogus callers trying to obtain information from unsuspecting people. Do not give the caller any information and just hang up. There had been some instances of fly-tipping of garden rubbish in Preston on Wye. This would be subject to an investigation within the village. If receipts are found in fly-tipped rubbish the police can often trace the offender so please be aware of this fact. PCSO Fiona Witcher left the meeting at 8.13 pm.

There followed a round of introductions for the new Golden Valley North Ward Cllr Jennie Hewitt.

**1. Election of Chair followed by Apologies for absence**

Cllr John Dale was nominated as Chair by Cllr O. Whittall and seconded by Cllr W. Whittall. There were no other nominations. Cllr Dale accepted the role and signed his acceptance forms. There were apologies received from Cllrs J. Darbyshire, H. Light and S. Russell. Cllr A. Smith was not present.

**2. Declarations of Interest**

There were declarations of interest from Cllr Chu in regard to planning applications 191763 and 191764 for Well Cottage in Blakemere.

**3. To approve previous minutes of the Annual Statutory Meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> May 2019**

The minutes of the Annual Statutory Meeting of the Parish Council, held on 8<sup>th</sup> May 2019, were signed as a true and correct record of the meeting.

**4. Report of North Ward Councillor**

Ward Cllr. Hewitt introduced herself. She advised that there had not been an official handover and that there was a lot of movement with different groups on the Herefordshire Council. There was a strong team in the new Cabinet comprising four Independents, two It's Our County and two Green Members. The Cabinet would be looking at decisions that had been made regarding the roads. There was an in depth discussion on policies and ideas. The Ward Cllr indicated that she wished to explore green issues before heading into by-pass building and resultant extensive house building, which were felt should be needs based. There were differing opinions on the way forward. There would be a Sustainable Transport Forum held at the Koffee Pot (by the Left Bank) from 6.00 to 7.30 pm on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June.

It was agreed that the Clerk and Ward Cllr would follow up the timeframe for verge cutting around the group of parishes.

Ward Cllr Hewitt left the meeting at 9.03 pm.

**5. Defibrillators for Blakemere and Tyberton – to receive any update**

Cllr Chu advised that defibrillators would be discussed at the Blakemere Annual Parish Meeting on 20<sup>th</sup> June. It was commented that The Preston on Wye Trust may be able to contribute towards a defibrillator for Blakemere.

#### **6. Lengthsman - To advise of works for the Lengthsman**

The Lengthsman would meet with Cllr Newsome to discuss new marker posts etc.

#### **7. Roads - To report on highway issues**

- Bullpit Corner – collection pit requires emptying
- Potholes in Preston on Wye going into the Village Hall
- Dorestone Hill to Bredwardine – road collapsing
- Utility repair in the road outside the Red Lion at Bredwardine – road surface subsiding
- Bredwardine to Madley sign (new sign now missing the intermediate villages of Blakemere, Moccas and Tyberton and the road number
- Upper Belamore at the turning just past this – road collapsing
- Caravan unsuitability signs for Dorestone Hill.

The white line on the road being renewed from Madley to Hay was commented as being a positive aspect.

#### **8. Footpaths and Tree Warden - To report on footpaths issues and trees plus tree planting**

The Tree Warden and Footpath Officer, Cllr Newsome advised that the responsibility for replacing dying Ash Trees fell to all and commented that the previous minutes made it sound as though a team of people would be doing this. It was up to any tree owner to decide whether to replace or not. Suitable options of replacement trees could include oak and sycamore.

#### **9. Correspondence – Refer to information sheet**

The contents of the sheet were noted and included details about the successful audit of the accounts, thanks were recorded to Mr Entwisle the Auditor, and further information on traveller sites plus the Road Closure program.

#### **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 (sal £429.12, mileage £34.65, home office £20.00 and parking £2.00)	£485.77
M R Cobb (Lengthsman)	£120.00
Longfield Services (Lengthsman)	£233.33
Herefordshire Council (Parish Freighter 20/07/19)	£408.00
Moccas Village Hall (Donation in lieu of audit fee)	£20.00
Bredwardine Village Hall (Donation in lieu of audit fee)	£20.00
Preston on Wye Village Hall (Donation in lieu of audit fee)	£20.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>£1307.10</b>

10.2) To sign and approve Annual Governance Statement 2018 – 2019  
The Annual Governance Statement was presented and signed.

10.3) To sign and approve Accounting Statement 2018 - 2019  
The Accounting Statement was presented and signed.

Bank Statement balance at June 2019 Meeting: £15,197.66

**11. Parish Freighter for rubbish disposal – date and advertising**

The Parish Freighter would be in Preston on Wye on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> July from 11.00 am to 1.00 pm. Advertising would take place in Link, Pump, notice boards and Hereford Times – County Times. Everyone was asked to **please spread the word.**

**12. Planning**

There were three applications for consideration:

**APPLICATION NO & SITE ADDRESS:** Planning Consultation - 191763 – Well Cottage, Blakemere, Herefordshire, HR2 9PY

**DESCRIPTION:** Proposed single storey extension and alterations to the existing annexe including the addition of external insulation

**GRID REF:** OS 336345, 240679

**APPLICATION TYPE:** Full Householder

**WEBSITE LINK:** <http://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/searchplanningapplications>

**APPLICATION NO & SITE ADDRESS:** Planning Consultation - 191764 – Well Cottage, Blakemere, Herefordshire, HR2 9PY

**DESCRIPTION:** As 191763

**GRID REF:** OS 336345, 240679

**APPLICATION TYPE:** Listed building consent

**WEBSITE LINK:** <http://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/searchplanningapplications>

The Parish Council discussed the applications 191763 and 191764 in conjunction and resolved that there were no objections to the proposals.

**APPLICATION NO & SITE ADDRESS:** Planning Consultation - 191657 – Land at Tyberton Court, Tyberton, Hereford, HR2 9PT

**DESCRIPTION:** Proposed new house and carport

**GRID REF:** OS 338031, 239815

**APPLICATION TYPE:** Planning permission

**WEBSITE LINK:** <http://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/searchplanningapplications>

The Parish Council discussed the application 191657 and agreed that whilst there were no objections to the application they would draw attention to the access and possible visibility issues in relation to highways safety.

**13. Web and internet training – to receive any update**

Clerk would keep on with enquiries regarding the availability for further training options.

**14. Matters raised by members for next Agenda**

Parish Freighter reminder, Blakemere Village Meeting feedback and Moccas Village Meeting feedback including speed and safety of the Monument crossroads

**15. To confirm the date of the next Ordinary Parish Council Meeting.**

The next Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2019 at The Village Hall, Preston on Wye, at 8.00pm.

The Meeting closed at 9.41 pm

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