

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of Wyeside Group Parish Council, held via Zoom Platform (during Covid 19 virus pandemic), on Wednesday 7th July 2021 from 8.00 pm

In attendance on Zoom were:

Councillors: D. Gurney, C. Chu (Chair), A. Rawstorne, S. Russell, O. Whittall, J. Darbyshire, J. Dale, H. Light and A Smith, plus Parish Clerk Mrs A. M. Wright. There was one member of the public present. Ward Cllr Jennie Hewitt joined the second session.

The first Zoom session ran from 8.00 – 8.40 and the second session from 8.45 to 9.24 pm

Cllr Chu (Chair) welcomed everyone to the Meeting.

1. Open Session with any parishioners who have joined the Zoom Meeting

There were no topics raised during the Open Session.

2. Apologies for absence

Cllrs B. Bowen, D. Roper and J. Newsome had sent their apologies. Cllr Hughes was not present.

3. Declarations of Interest

There were two declarations of interest recorded (Cllr J Dale and Cllr S Russell). These were for planning application 212166.

4. To approve previous minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 2nd June 2021

The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting, held on 2nd June 2021, were approved as a true and correct record of the meeting.

5. Report of North Ward Councillor

Ward Cllr. Hewitt attended the second session of the meeting. The Ward Cllr contributed to the discussions on road issues and parking in the Bredwardine Bridge area. She would be following up the concerns raised by Staunton on Wye Parish and reiterated by the Wyeside Group Parish in regard to access problems, especially during holiday and harvest periods. Ward Cllr Hewitt also advised about Community funding possibilities to set up similar ventures to the “Dorstone Front Room”. Seed funding for ventures could be made available if there was a demand for such a venture. The Ward Cllr would liaise with the Preston on Wye Village Hall Committee regarding this and look at what was already in place.

6. Roads/Lengthsman To report on highway issues and to discuss further speeding concerns, as raised, following correspondence sent to the Ward Cllr.

The car park holes at the Preston on Wye Village holes would be filled with appropriate material once the weather conditions were favourable and the holes had fully dried out.

Various works had been resolved such as verge markers in Blakemere at the bend in the road past the Church. The pothole at the end of the lane by Hanley Court, Preston on Wye had been filled. Potholes in Hacton Lane, Preston on Wye had been filled following reporting on “Fix my Street”.

Further outstanding works to be reviewed and completed included:

- Bullpit Corner with ongoing drainage issues
- Moccas culvert – Locality Steward requested to meet with Cllr O Whittall
- Some ongoing trees with hung up branches in Moccas – Cllr Whittall would be dealing with the appropriate high level access equipment

Ongoing issues with parking problems were highlighted via communications with Staunton on Wye

parish in regard to volume parking at Bredwardine Bridge and surrounds of Brobury House. Efforts by Staunton on Wye to have yellow lines increased had been unsuccessful - to date. Movement of farm machinery and emergency access were of great concern. The Wyese Group Parish Council was in support of any efforts to manage parking in the location to enable access and right of passage. The Ward Cllr was taking up the issue also and she would speak to the representative Ward Cllr for the area regarding any possible future action. Further no parking signage may be desirable but the need for enforcement of parking blockages was required also. The Police and Locality Team were to be kept advised of issues.

Ward Cllr Hewitt had received communication about speeding vehicles past a concealed entrance to her property in the Moccas/ Byford area. The councillors were asked to consider where concealed entrances and other warning/safety signage might be needed in order to possibly progress placement. Each councillor would send details of possible signage requirements to be considered.

7. Footpaths and Tree Warden - to report on footpaths and trees

Cllr Jeff Newsome had sent his apologies. He had sent a report and included thanks to the Lengthsman regarding the fitting of some way mark posts around the parish.

8. Correspondence – Refer to information sheet

The contents of the sheet were noted and included:

Notification of road closure

Road Closure Notification - B4352 From Merbach To Lawn Gate, Bredwardine – 20th July start

CPRE and others

Bus travel and transport issues

Ward Councillor Jennie Hewitt

Report for June circulated.

West Mercia Police

Golden Valley Briefing sent when received.

E mail from resident (as sent to Jennie Hewitt)

Regarding speeding concerns, as raised, following correspondence sent to the Ward Councillor. (E mail sent round for further information)

Herefordshire Council Various, as circulated including:

Cessation of parish freighter service

9. Planning – to consider any applications with a view to comments

One application had been received for consideration of comments:

APPLICATION NO & SITE ADDRESS: Planning Consultation - 212166 - Land at Willow Brook House, Bredwardine Hill, Bredwardine

DESCRIPTION: Proposed dwelling and garage.

GRID REF: OS 332997, 244441

APPLICATION TYPE: Planning Permission

The parish council discussed the application and resolved that the house appeared to follow heritage style principles and was compliant with Neighbourhood Development Plan Policies in terms of proximity to village centre and other criteria. The parish council resolved to support the application.

10. Finance and Policies To approve accounts and note balances

(10.1) To note bank balance: The bank balance was noted as £15752.90

(10.2) To resolve to accept payments, as per listing

Payments were resolved to be paid as follows:

Mrs A Wright paid in accordance with contract for July and August 2021	
Longfield Services (footpath works)	£81.25
Moccas PCC (donation for grass mowing - Blakemere)	£150.00
Friends of St Lawrence Preston on Wye (donation for grass mowing)	£150.00
Bredwardine PCC (donation for grass mowing)	£150.00
Tyberton PCC (donation for grass mowing)	£150.00
Blakemere PCC (donation for grass mowing)	£150.00

(10.3) To consider requests for support with parish churchyards upkeep
Payments were resolved for grass cutting as above.

(10.4) To consider replacement notice board for Bredwardine
Prices to be sought for a replacement board

11. Matters raised by members for next Agenda

Usual items would be included.

12. To confirm date of the next Ordinary Meeting as Wednesday 1st September from 8.00 pm

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as Wednesday 1st September 2021 from 8.00 pm and would be held on Zoom, unless notified otherwise.

The Meeting closed at 9.24 pm

SIGNED

DATED