

**Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held on
Tuesday 18th September 2018 at 7.30 p.m. at Lingen Village Hall.**

Present:

Councillors: Philip Barnet, Maggie Brown, Steve Chilman, Susan Harley, John Walker, Simon Whiteman (Chair)

In attendance:

Clerk/RFO Maureen Robinson
Ward Cllr Carole Gandy
PCSO Steph Annett
3 members of public

1. Apologies for absence: Cllrs Gurney, Dixon and Pritchard, Mike Oliver (Footpaths Officer)

2. Declarations of Interest and written requests for dispensations: Agenda item 9.3. Cllr Whiteman declared a pecuniary interest. No requests for dispensations.

3. Open Session – brief verbal reports received from:

3.1 Ward Cllr Gandy presented her report which can be seen in full on the Border Group website. In addition she reported that Herefordshire Council are planning to purchase a further ‘velociraptor’ for filling potholes. The 498 bus service has been saved for 3 years and possibly 5.

A Casualty Reduction Route Speed Enforcement Trial will be carried out shortly on the length of the A4110 from Hereford to just outside Leintwardine. See the Border Group website for details).

3.2 Chair and Councillors reports – none

3.3 PCSO Steph Annette -was welcomed to the meeting. She is very aware of concerns around speeding and will endeavour to have a presence in all BG villages over the coming weeks, using the high visibility police vehicle as a deterrent to speeding drivers. Steph will also be holding regular surgeries across Mortimer Ward – please see the West Mercia Police website for details.

3.3 Local residents – a Brampton Bryan resident raised serious concerns over speeding there following on from the Parish Meeting in May. A resident urged action on the gritting for the school bus route through Birtley (C1007). Cllr Chilman offered to raise directly with Wigmore school

4. Minutes of the previous meetings – 17th July 2018; Extraordinary meetings on 2nd and 20th August

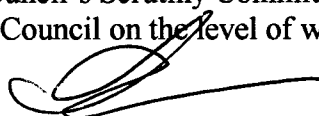
These were **APPROVED** and signed by the Chairman with the removal of the name of a resident from the record in the July Minutes

5. To receive an update on a sluice at Walford – awaiting a price from the supplier**6. Highways**

6.1 Meeting re traffic calming measures at Brampton Bryan – Mr Garner offered to set up a meeting with residents and Brampton Bryan Cllrs Harley and Brown, and report back. Ward Cllr Gandy offered to speak to PCSO Annette about prioritising Brampton Bryan for speed deterrence. A discussion took place over the ‘vision’ over the longer term to reduce speeding and what measures work best.

6.2 Still awaiting advice on siting of SID (Speed indicator Device) Ward Cllr Gandy offered to follow up

6.3 To submit comments to Herefordshire Council’s Scrutiny Committee on review of pothole repairs – BGPC congratulated Herefordshire Council on the level of work carried out over the last



year with noticeable improvement across the Parish and positive comments from residents.

Duplication of work carried out by our Lengthsman and then by Balfour Beatty was to be avoided.

6.4 To consider work to be undertaken under P3 scheme – nothing raised

6.5 To consider work to be undertaken by Lengthsman – will be checking grips over next few weeks.

6.6 Breakdown of Lengthsman costs as prepared by Cllr Chilman **NOTED**

Lengthsman tasks will be reviewed prior to setting budget for 19/20 as may have to reduce costs to lessen impact on Precept. Grant from Herefordshire Council has ceased so any work will now be funded entirely by the Parish Council.

7. Finance – the following payments and invoices were approved for payment

7.1 **AGREED** to ask Joe Thomas to carry out repairs to Parish noticeboards in Walford and Adforton up to £300

7.2 Clerk's expenses of £22.56 for Sept, August salary of £372.94 (incl £40 towards home office costs) (chq no 101728/25)

7.3 Payment of £40 to Information Commissioner for Data Protection Registration (chq no 101724)

7.4 Payment of £20 to Brampton Bryan Parish Hall for room hire (chq no 101727)

7.5 Precept request form **NOTED**

7.6 £75+VAT for SLCC conference for Clerk – awaiting invoice.

7.7 New national pay scales for Clerks – **AGREED** the Employment Working group would meet to discuss and report back in October

All in favour.

8. Neighbourhood Plan – the Strategic Environmental Assessment may need amending but awaiting confirmation from Herefordshire Council. It was pointed out that due to Council Elections next May, a referendum on the Plan would need to be held by February due to 'Purdah' restrictions. Clerk to follow up with Planning Dept

9. Planning

9.1

APPLICATION NO & SITE ADDRESS:

Planning Consultation - 183060 - Lane Cottage, Birtley, Deerfold, Bucknell, Herefordshire SY7 0EF

DESCRIPTION:

Proposed erection of 2 polytunnels for the business 'Lane Cottage Produce'.

APPLICANT(S):

Mr Richard Sidgwick

GRID REF:

OS 337734, 268800

APPLICATION TYPE:

Planning Permission

WEBSITE LINK:

<http://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/searchplanningapplications>

BGPC supported the application as it is a thriving local business supplying restaurants as far away as London and Birmingham. It also provides employment locally and is an excellent advert for Herefordshire

9.2

P183290/PA7 - All others - Prior Approval

Dairyhouse Farm Lingen Bucknell Herefordshire SY7 0DZ, Prior notification of agricultural or forestry development - proposed building., Valid - not accepting comments



9.3

P183328/PA7 - All others - Prior Approval

Coxall Farm Bucknell Herefordshire SY7 0EP, Application for prior notification of an agricultural building., Valid – not accepting comments

10. Wigmore GPC Neighbourhood Plan – NOTED consultation but no comments

11. New Code of Conduct – following a vote it was **RESOLVED** not to adopt.

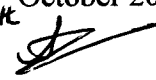
12. To review/update Financial Regulations – AGREED to defer a decision until Finance Working Group has met and can report back in October

13. To note Information sheet/ Correspondence received and responded to. **NOTED.**

14. To raise matters for next meeting agenda. No discussion.

- Sluice at Walford
- SID update
- Report from Finance Working Group
- Quarterly Financial Report from RFO
- Budget for 19/20
- Report from Employment Working Group

There being no further business the Chairman closed the Meeting at 9.22 p.m. The next Meeting will take place at Adforton Village Hall at 7.30pm on Tuesday 16th October 2018

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