



PIXLEY & DISTRICT PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 28th September 2015

Present:

Councillors D Hewitt, Mrs L Clothier, Mrs W Cox, K Davies, A Mawby, S Swaithe, Mrs M Thwaites, E Thompson & P Whitfield

In attendance:

Three Crosses Ward Councillor Jonathan Lester
Janet Chester – Parish Clerk

Members of the Public: 1

ITEM	MINUTES	ACTION																				
1.0	<p>To Accept Apologies for Absence And Note Reason</p> <p>Cllrs Mrs J Cowell (away), A Harris and M Skittery (work commitments)</p>																					
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3.0	<p>To Approve the Minutes of the Meeting held Monday 27th July 2015 (previously circulated)</p> <p>After adding Cllr Thompson to the list of attendees, the minutes of the meeting were agreed as a true and accurate record and were duly signed by the chairman.</p>																					
4.0	<p>Open Forum to allow Local Residents the opportunity to raise matters relevant to the Parish Council</p> <p>No matters raised</p>																					
5.0	<p>To Receive Brief Report from Three Crosses Ward Councillor Jonathan Lester</p> <p>Ward Cllr Lester opened by advising that Herefordshire Council's 2016/17 budget consultation is still ongoing. Central Government have asked Herefordshire Council if they are interested in devolution, they have responded by advising they are interested and wish to know more before committing ie would it bring extra money or extra responsibilities. The Home Office have also contacted the council about refugees, they are currently on standby for the possibility of 5 to 10 families. A full council meeting was held on Friday 25th Sept where Cllr Lester spoke on four topics –</p>																					

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The impending closure of No1 Ledbury Road childrens respite care facility ran by Wye Valley Trust and the duty Herefordshire Council has to provide service provision tailored to the needs of the child • Childrens & Young Peoples Plan – a strategic approach to improving the wellbeing and lives of young people to be used by all organisations in Herefordshire. Cllr Lester presented this document to the council, who then ratified it, and will provide parish council's with a summary. • Youth Justice Plan – to reduce offending and re-offending. The overall trend is that this is going down • Broadlands Primary School – the former buildings had been found to be not fit for purpose and Cllr Lester requested £250k more for the relocation and new facility at Aylestone High School. <p>Herefordshire Council have received the final report from the Inspector on the Core Strategy and will be holding meetings to ratify it, at Cabinet on 15th October and Full Council on 16th October.</p> <p>Cllr Lester had met with Haygrove representatives who had expressed their wish to communicate with the parish council. Cllrs advised that regular meetings are held with Haygrove and these meetings already provided this opportunity.</p> <p>Cllr Lester closed by advising that he may not be able to make the November meeting as he may be on parental leave and offered his apologies in advance.</p>	JL
6.0	<p>Councillor Vacancies</p> <p>There were no nominations. Existing councillors were asked to consider approaching residents who may be interested in becoming a member of the parish council.</p>	ALL
7.0	<p>Correspondence / Discussion</p> <p>a) To discuss Herefordshire Public Green Spaces Community Grant Scheme</p> <p>It was AGREED that there was no area that could benefit from this grant.</p> <p>b) To discuss Community Governance Review</p> <p>After lengthy discussion it was AGREED that the chairman will contact Putley and Ashperton Parish Councils chairman to informally get their views. All parish councils have a percentage of fixed costs that could be shared if parishes join together.</p> <p>c) To discuss donation request from Community Action Ledbury</p> <p>After discussion it was AGREED that in line with Pixley and Districts Donation and Grants Policy no donation would be given.</p> <p>d) To discuss letter received re footpath PX1 in Pixley parish</p> <p>The clerk had received a letter from Haygrove advising of their proposal submitted to Herefordshire Council to divert footpath PX1, this was thought to be a sensible revision on health and safety grounds and therefore the parish council have no objections to the proposal. RESOLVED</p>	DH
8.0	<p>Planning</p> <p>Cllr Thompson having declared an interest left the room at this point</p> <p>a) Planning Application(s) to be Considered:</p> <p>150765 – Trumpet Fields adjacent to A438, Trumpet, Ledbury, HR8 2RA Erection of polytunnels on fields at Trumpet for covered commercial growing of soft fruit and new pond area (additional documents received 21.9.15)</p>	Clerk

	<p>PC Comment: The parish council discussed this application again and agreed to stand by their earlier comments made, and as per the parish council May 2015 minutes, support the planning officer's recommendations on the original application.</p> <p>Cllr Thompson re-entered the room at this point</p> <p>b) To receive update on outstanding planning decisions</p> <p>150350 – Land South West of the Trumpet Inn, Ledbury, Herefordshire Proposed workshop building and full time residential home RESOLVED Ward Cllr Lester will investigate why a decision has not yet been reached by Herefordshire Council on this application.</p> <p>c) To note planning decisions of Herefordshire Council – as per planning record attached and www.herefordshire.gov.uk RESOLVED</p> <p>9.0 Highways & Footpaths</p> <p>a) To receive Report from Balfour Beatty Locality Steward</p> <p>The weekly reports received by email were noted.</p> <p>b) To Receive any new issues on Road Conditions/ Flooding/ Traffic Management</p> <p>There is a large deep pothole on the U67406 in Patches Wood. The grips in Baregains Lane need re-instating as there is standing water. Ward Cllr Lester advised that in response to the complaint of the noisy new road surface on the A4172 an engineer has visited Little Marcle to view the new surface, Cllr Lester will pursue and report back.</p> <p>c) To Receive Lengthsman & P3 Update</p> <p>The clerk is waiting for an acknowledgement and contracts from Herefordshire Council / Balfour Beatty before instructing the lengthsman to carry out work. Cllrs Clothier and Thwaites have met with the Locality Steward to discuss the P3 footpath scheme. Once the clerk has had a reply from Herefordshire Council she will contact the lengthsman and advise a date for a parish walk to determine work to be done.</p> <p>10.0 Finance</p> <p>a) To Agree Finance Report and Bank Balances</p> <p>The finance report was noted. Bank Balances – Current Account as at 21st August 2015 £3325.25, Reserve Account as at 10th August 2015 £2808.16 RESOLVED</p> <p>b) To Receive Report from Finance Working Group meeting</p> <p>Cllrs Hewitt, Swaites & Cox met with the clerk to check financial procedures are being followed and to decide a recommendation on the precept requirement for 2016/17 to give to the full parish council meeting. Cllr Clothier had given her apologies. The lengthsman grant for 2016/17 to the parish council still has to be decided by Herefordshire Council, 2015 election costs are still to be advised and HALC Annual Membership is to be advised but it is hoped these will be known by November. The parish council may need to amend their budget pending these. A provisional precept of £6050 is to be proposed to the parish council September meeting.</p> <p>c) To discuss 2016/17 Precept Requirement</p> <p>A provisional precept requirement of £6050 for 2016/17 was AGREED. This will be publicised to give parishioners the opportunity to comment. A final decision will be made at the November meeting.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>JL</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>JL</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk /All</p>
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- Balfour Beatty – Resurfacing Programme of works*
- Balfour Beatty – Parish Newsletter Aug 2015 *
- A Bush, Herefordshire Council – Budget Briefing *
- A Bush, Herefordshire Council – Funding Update *
- A Bush, Herefordshire Council – Green Spaces Grant Option *
- A Bush, Herefordshire Council – Community Governance Review Proposal *
- A Bush, Herefordshire Council – Introduction to Planning Seminar invitation 2nd Sept *

* Circulated to Cllrs.

OUTSTANDING ACTIONS

These are the consolidated actions outstanding after the last meeting held on 27th July 2015:

March 2015	8b	clerk	reported	Blocked culvert and fallen fence in Aylton
May 2015	4	All Cllrs		Approach any residents interested in becoming councillors
May 2015	8	Ward Cllr Lester		Keep PC informed of progress on Pixley End and Trumpet Fields Planning Applications
May 2015	8	Ward Cllr Lester		Enquire with HC about SID problems
May 2015	9	Cllr Thwaites		Circulate Neighbourhood Watch reports to all cllrs
May 2015	10	Cllrs Hewitt & Clothier		Review all PC policies to ensure they meet current needs of PC
May 2015	11	Cllr Harris		Update website
May 2015	14a	clerk	Reported	White lining needs reinstating at Trumpet Crossroads Chase Alexander Park re hedge CAS523568Z1B9F2 Chase BB re reinstating railings over culvert at Snowhill
May 2015	14b	clerk	Ongoing	Arrange meeting with lengthman to carry out parishes walk to ascertain work required
July 2015	5	Ward Cllr Lester		Forward cabinet report and Pixley rates detail to clerk
July 2015	7	Cllr Harris		Add "Contact the Elderly", Age UK & Neighbourhood Watch details to website
July 2015	10b	Ward Cllr Lester		Enquire why noisy "re-surface" was used by residences in Little Marcle
July 2015	10b	clerk	complete	Chase up Alexander Park hedge cutting CAS532608M3C9M9
July 2015	10c	Clerk/Cllrs Clothier & Thwaites	Ongoing	Annual Plan – Cllrs Clothier & Thwaites to meet with Locality Steward
July 2015	11b	clerk	complete	Arrange finance working group meeting to discuss 2016/17 precept

PLANNING RECORD

<u>DATE</u>	<u>APPLICATION NUMBER</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PC COMMENT</u>	<u>HFDS COUNCIL DECISION</u>
2.12.14	143507	Paunceford Court, Munsley, HR8 2SH Proposed horse walker within yard	PC no objections	GRANTED 16.1.15
12.12.14	143451	Mainstone Court, Trumpet, HR8 2RA Proposed construction of a swimming pool in the garden to the south east of house and an attenuation pool/lake on the parkland boundary to the southwest of the house, landscaping and associated works	PC no objections	GRANTED 11.2.15
3.1.15	143790	Hopton Arms Holiday Park, Munsley, HR8 2SE Proposed certificate of lawful development for an existing use as a holiday park which compromises all land and buildings formed within the red line outline drawing 193-20 "Site plan Land to Rear of Hopton Arms" 18.12.14	PC no objections	GRANTED 19.2.15
23.2.15	150350	Land South West of Trumpet Inn Proposed workshop building and full time residential home	PC letter of objection sent	
12.3.15	150537	Highway Care Ltd, Callow Hills, Hereford Road, HR8 2PZ Proposed new workshop, external storage, additional parking, improvement and alteration of vehicular access arrangements	PC support this application	GRANTED 24.6.15
24.3.15	150765	Trumpet Fields adjacent A438, Trumpet	PC letter of comments sent	

		Erection of polytunnels on fields at Trumpet for covered commercial growing of soft fruit and new pond area		
20.3.15	150682/PA1	Pixley Gate, Pixley, HR8 2RB Proposed single storey extension which extends beyond the rear wall of the dwelling house by 6 metres. The maximum height of the enlarged part of the dwelling house is 3.8m and the height of the eaves is 2.3m	*ADVICE ONLY **	PRIOR APPROVAL NOT REQ 9.4.15
28.5.15	151288 & 151342	The Laddin Farm, Little Marcle, HR8 2LB Proposed residential conversion of redundant agricultural outbuildings including landscaping, car parking and garaging	PC no objections	GRANTED 14.7.15
12.6.15	151552	1 Poolend Courtyard, Pixley, HR8 2RB Proposed installation of a wood burning stove including flue	*ADVICE ONLY*	GRANTED 23.7.15
15.7.15	152001	Mayfields, Hereford Road, HR8 2PZ Proposed erection of a double garage	PC support this application	GRANTED 25.8.15

REPORTS FROM ANY MEETINGS ATTENDED