

**BISHOPSTONE GROUP PARISH COUNCIL  
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING  
AT THE NEW BRIDGE COMMUNITY CENTRE  
ON THURSDAY 14<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2013 AT 7.30PM**

**MINUTES**

**Present – Chair John Macklin, Vice Chair Sue Hubbard, Cllr Cathie Draper, Cllr Rosemary Morgan, Cllr Trevor Hunt, Cllr Penny Redshaw, Cllr John Verry, and Clerk Katrina Bevis.**

1. **Apologies for absence.** – Cllr Lillian Allsopp, Cllr Muriel Holmes,
2. **Declarations of interest.** – **None made RESOLVED**
3. **Open discussion for local residents to raise matters relevant to the Parish Council –**  
The period will be limited to 10 minutes. **None present. RESOLVED**
4. **Adoption minutes from the meeting** – Parish Council Meeting 10<sup>th</sup> Jan 2013 and 21<sup>st</sup> Feb 2013. – **Approved RESOLVED.**
5. **Planning application –**
  - a) **Application Number – S130118/F The Woodhouse Kenchester, Herefordshire HE4 7QJ, Amendment to description only – Change of use from single dwelling house to holiday accommodation (self-serviced) and to include occasional use as a cookery school (class use D1)**

**Cllrs discussed the application amendment to the description and had no objections to this amendment.**

- b) **Application Number – 130444/FH – The Stone House Bishopstone Herefordshire HR4 7JE – Rebuilding of front kitchen wall in revised construction and revised roof covering in natural slate. Replace 2 no windows and form 1 no. window on front elevation. Construction of new porch and rear extension to kitchen.**

**Cllrs discussed the application and supported this application**

6. **Planning procedure –** It has been requested by a local resident who has recently had a planning application refused that the chairman should meet with him to discuss his planning application, prior to his submitting a further application. Cllrs were opposed to any meeting with the applicant before the planning application had been submitted. Cllrs advised that if the applicant submits another application they would discuss the application in the normal way and that the applicant would be welcome to attend the meeting at which the application was discussed.

7. **Financial** – Cllrs to accept the following payments:-

- a) PIP Printing - £109.86
- b) Hall hire - £7.00 - 21.02.13 and £14.00 – 14.03.13.
- c) Clerk mileage – £12.00
- d) Stationery – stamps - £3.60

All payments accepted. RESOLVED

8. **Neighbourhood Planning**

- a) To decide on next steps to be taken,
- b) To arrange steering group meeting date.

We are currently waiting to hear if our appointed area has been accepted by the Council. Volunteers for the steering group to be invited during our open Parish meeting. Meeting date – 18<sup>th</sup> April 2013 – 7.30pm. Discussing Neighbourhood and community planning. Clerk to make posters Amendment to meeting dates 15<sup>th</sup> May 2013

9. **Lengthsman Scheme** – Cllrs to be informed of the scheme and to decide if Bishopstone Group Parish Council would also like to take part in the scheme.

Ward Cllr Blackshaw stated that the Lengthsman scheme will continue and they are looking at extending the work to cover pot holes.

Strimming cutting back vegetation, £20.00 per hour, hires a digger clears drains and ditches. Hereford Council funds this work by allotting a set sum of money to the parish council according to the length of public highway in the parish council area.

62 parishes currently use the lengthsman scheme.

10. **Kenchester (Flood alleviation scheme)** – Presentation from Mr Pickles on the Flood Alleviation Scheme, Mr Pickles gave a brief history into the flooding into Hereford over the years and why the flood alleviation scheme was essential and long overdue. The pipe runs from Credenhill down to the river crossing the Hereford to Brecon Road, the pipe is over 2 metres in circumference and takes 60% of the water away from Hereford.

The Council initially wanted to put a concrete lined canal for the runoff water to run into the river, however the National trust did not want that and instead wanted the water to run out freely which has caused a gully a will not cost tax payers to correct.?????? Is something missing here

There were problems at the Credenhill end, when the water levels rose which was due to the old culvert, this had to be dug out and concreted which then stopped the problems.

11. Items to be raised at the next meeting.  
Lengthsman scheme.