

BISHOPSTONE GROUP PARISH COUNCIL

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING AT THE NEW BRIDGE COMMUNITY CENTRE ON THURSDAY 8TH MARCH 2012 AT 7.30PM

MINUTES

Present: - Chairman John Macklin, Vice Chair Sue Hubbard, Cllr Ann Midwinter, Cllr Sharon Knights, Cllr Lillian Allsopp, Cllr Muriel Holmes, Cllr Cathy Draper, Cllr Penny Redshaw, and Clerk Katrina Bevis.

1. Apologies for absence - Cllr Rosemary Morgan, Cllr Serena Crump, Cllr Trevor Hunt and Cllr Petra Hickey.
2. Receive declarations of interest – Cllr Anna Midwinter, item 7 on the agenda regarding 1 The Paddocks, Mansell Gamage. **Declarations of interest book signed.**
3. Adoption of minutes from the meeting – 12th Jan 2012 – Amendment – Sharon Knights to be added to attendee's list. – **Minutes amended and unanimously adopted by Councillors. RESOLVED.**
4. Open discussion for local residents to raise matters relevant to the Parish Council – The period will be limited 10 minutes. **No members of the public attended the meeting.**
5. Brief verbal report from Ward Councillor Adrian Blackshaw.-
 - Ward Cllr Blackshaw informed the Councillors of "Border Rory D35" a prize winning Herefordshire Bull, which will be used to create a life size sculpture. It will be sculpted from clay and to be cast in bronze. The Sculpture is to be situated next to the Black and White House in High Town. To be unveiled in July 2012. This has been paid for privately, not by tax payers.
 - Local development Framework and Transport plan – will go to full council in July, linked to the Localism bill and Parish Plan, an exciting time for Parish Councils. People in the communities will have more of a say with reference to planning applications in their areas. Parish Councils will have greater powers and can counteract planning officer's decisions.
 - Mr Pickles came to Hereford on Friday – theme was Hereford 2020, each Councillor gave an account of what changes have been made and what will be achieved by the year 2020. The Enterprise Park, Rother was is set to bring 5000 high worth employees into our area and increase the population by 10%, which will benefit all local businesses in our area.
 - Broad Street – 2.9 million pounds will be spent to regenerate Broad Street. The work to start 2013 and end 2014. The design will be similar to that in Widemarsh

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Street, it will be a multi-use area including trees and a shared space. The materials used will be the same as in Widemarsh Street so the two area flow into one.

- Cllr Muriel Holmes asked the question – Are all of the car parks going to be the “paying on exit” ones, as she found in her experience, members of the public are racing back to their cars and we need to keep people in the city. Response from Ward Cllr Blackshaw – All new car parks around the County will have this facility. Current charges went up Nov 2011, but are still 20% beneath our surrounding towns and cities.
- Cllr John Macklin asked about the speed limit on the Bridge Sollars cross roads – can we go forward on this in an attempt to reduce the speed? Ward Cllr Blackshaw responded that he would liaise with the head of Highways and look at getting a S.I.D placed at the point to record speeds of vehicles in the first instance, and contact Clive Hall to arrange a site meeting.
- Cllr John Macklin also asked the following – Have Canon Pyon completed their neighbourhood plan – do Parish Councils want to join forces and combine ideas. Ward Cllr Blackshaw commented –if Parish councils want controlled growth a Parish Plan would enable them to do this, if you want to button down on development then a Neighbourhood Plan would be more suitable. Cllrs were asked to think about this point in readiness for the next meeting in May.
- A Ward Parish Council meeting needs to be called for all Parishes to discuss whether a Parish Plan/Neighbourhood plan would be more suitable. Ward Cllr Blackshaw to liaise with Chairman of Ward Parish Councils.

6. Payment of the following invoices:-

Clerk's salary – £361.28
 Expenses – £12.81
 Mileage - £15.24
 Hall hire – £35.00
 Newsletter - £90.00
 HALC - £75.00

All agreed. **RESOLVED** -

7. Planning application for 1 The Paddocks, Mansell Gamage Herefordshire – Feedback from Mark Lane, Planning Officer, email received and read out by Chairman John Macklin. **RESOLVED – Clerk to feedback to Mr Mark Lane, stating the Parish Council are not happy with the email sent and that we are disappointed that the planning application process has not been followed and neighbours were not given the chance to air their views.**

8. Updates for planning applications –

a) Old Mansell Church, Mansell Gamage Hereford HR4 7LE

Application number – DMN/113241/L

Installation of timber lattice ridge beam to provide additional support (listed building)

GRANTED

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b) The Old Pump House Byford Hereford HR4 7LD

Application number – DMN/113551/FH

Timber framed garage and store for two cars and bicycles. **GRANTED**

9. Feedback from the Jubilee Planning meeting – Trees to be planted 2nd June in each Parish - 50's Party 4th June, BBQ, bring your own drink, children's Party in the afternoon, with fun and games. **Cllr Draper raised the point of tickets for the evening event? Cllrs were encouraged to attend the next Jubilee Planning meeting to raise any points, or if unable to make it, to make their points known to the Clerk who will raise them on their behalf. RESOLVED**

10. Discussion on the condition of the Byford Byway after a letter of concern from a resident – Email received and read to Councillors. **A discussion was held at length, the Boat does not come under the same rules as a highway. Cllrs cannot prevent tractors/farm machinery from using the Boat. Amey to be contacted for the poor pot hole repairs, CLERK to action, reflective posts to be sourced by Chairman John Macklin and to be placed at Mushroom Farm end of lane on the right hand bend, to prevent large vehicles wearing away the grass verge further. Email to be sent to resident to update – Clerk to action.**

11. To discuss footpaths:-

a) KT6 – Kenchester – **To be discussed at the next meeting. RESOLVED**

b) BS2 – Bridge Sollars – The footbridge is in need of repair - **Repair to be reported to Amey via IRIS reporting system – RESOLVED – Clerk to report.**

11. Brief discussion monitoring the Parish Notice Boards to ascertain if any further problems/complaints have arisen – **No further complaints. All boards have been cleared of anything other than Parish Council news / information, or local events/fundraising, and no further complaints made.**

12. Items raised for the next Parish Council Meeting.

Speeding of vehicles Bishopstone to Kenchester – email from resident.


Neighbourhood Plans – **Councillors handed printouts with items about the Neighbourhood Plan to be considered for discussion for the next meeting.**

Parish Meeting to be held on 2nd or 3rd May 2012 – **Cllrs to decide on a guest speaker - suggested Highways.**

Newsletter – David Macklin will be retiring from printing and editing the newsletter, **Cllr Penny Redshaw will be taking over the editing and Lonsdale Print Solutions, Wellinborough to be asked to quote for the printing.**

Letter of thanks to be sent to David Macklin for all his hard work in producing the newsletter. – **Clerk to send letter to David Macklin. Cllrs to think of ideas ready for the next or future newsletter be it new design on cover of layout etc. Next Newsletter 1st**

RESOLVED – All above items to be added to May's agenda


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