

BALLINGHAM, BOLSTONE & HENTLAND

Ballingham Bolstone & Hentland Group Parish Council Meeting Minutes of Thursday 15th December 2016 at Ballingham Old School Hall 7.30pm

Present: Chairman Martin Soble, Cllr Peter Pember, Cllr Frank Probert, Cllr Sally Pike, Cllr David Stuffsins, Cllr Patricia Fitzpatrick, Cllr John Lyons, Cllr Simon Harris & Cllr Sherwood Keogh.

1.Apologies: Cllr Henry Rudge, Ward Cllr David Summers ~~& 1 member of the public~~
In attendance Kath Greenow Parish Clerk. *& 1 member of the public*

2.To receive Declarations of interest on agenda items and consider dispensation requests
None

3To co-opt member to fill current vacancy
No co-option took place

4.To agree and sign the minutes of the Group Parish Council Meeting held on 9/11/2016
An amendment was made to the draft minutes to include Cllr S Keogh as present at the meeting and to record Cllr S Harris as absent from the meeting. It was **RESOLVED:** to agree and sign the minutes of the Group Parish Council Meeting held on 9/11/2016 as a true record of the meeting.

5.Public forum: Members of the public may raise matters they wish to bring to the attention of the Parish Council
(this period will be restricted to 10 minutes. Please note that decisions cannot be made at this meeting on items raised that are not on the agenda)

At this point in the meeting the Chairman brought forward agenda item 11.6

11.6To consider a letter from a parishioner regarding a proposal for provision of a mini bus service for evenings out in the local area.

The Parishioner present at the meeting outlined the proposals for the provision of a mini bus service for evenings out in the local area.

The Parish Council were in principal supportive of the idea, however concerns were raised about cost, insurance and the viability of the proposal. The New Harp Inn was not included in the list of local pubs in the proposal and it was the PC's view that it should be. The Parish Council suggested that the proposal is sent to other Parish Councils in the local area to gain their view on the proposal as the pubs listed in the local area were not in the parishes of Ballingham, Bolstone & Hentland. The PC also suggested that a questionnaire is put together to consult with the communities to gain the community's view on the proposal.

6.To receive to following reports from:

6.1Ward Cllr Report

No ward Cllr report

6.2Clerks report

The Clerk advised that the matter of ensuring that (BH11 near Kidley wood area) is on the definitive map is being attended to.

AS *afm/17*

7. Lengthsman & P3

7.1 To consider changes in grant funding from Herefordshire Council 2017/18 for the lengthsman & P3 scheme

Discussion took place regarding the changes to the grant for the lengthsman & P3 scheme 2017/18

It was **RESOLVED**: to continue with the lengthsman & P3 scheme for 2017/18

It was **RESOLVED**: that the Clerk completes the interest form and sends it to Balfour Beatty

7.2 To consider lengthsman & P3 work to be undertaken by the lengthsman in the parishes. P3 work

Stile behind The Toll house Hoarwithy Cllr S Harris to speak to the landowner.

Carey Brook near The Cottage of Content - Cllr S Keogh to inspect and report back at next meeting

It was **RESOLVED**: that the Clerk contacts the B/B locality officer to ascertain if there are any potholes that can be attended to by the PC under the lengthsman enhanced scheme. If there are the clerk is to contact Terry Griffiths and advise of the work required.

8. Highways

8.1 To consider road issues for reporting to Balfour Beatty

Pot hole near Hentland church, Blocked drain near Pear Tree cottage Hoarwithy needs attending to B/B have cleaned out the gully, but the drain is blocked. The Clerk was asked to contact the locality officer.

Several pot holes have been marked up by B/B locality officer. The clerk was asked to contact the locality officer to ask when they will be attended to.

8.2 To receive a report on meeting with Balfour Beatty locality officer concerning flooding issues in Hoarwithy.

A report was given by the Cllrs that had attended the meeting with the locality officer.

Issues needing attention: Attending to the build-up of debris and mud/silt under the bridge, which was highways responsibility to deal with, blocked culvert 10 mtrs past the bridge, B/B will be attending to redoing the tarmac. It was the view of the PC that the flooding issues needed to be discussed further with Balfour Beatty's land drainage officer and it was **RESOLVED**: that the Clerk contacts George Shingler to ask for a site visit of the area with a view to getting a clear understanding of how the matter of flooding can be attended to.

9. Planning

9.1 To consider commenting on planning application:

163607 New Harp Inn Hoarwithy Hereford

Description: Propose to dismantle to ground level Western Red Cedar.

It was **RESOLVED**: not to object to the application

10. Neighbourhood Development Plan

10.1 To receive an update on NDP

The draft NDP has been sent to Herefordshire Council as the SEA/ HRA reports need to be added to the draft plan.

The Clerk had contacted Kirkwells for a quote for the next steps of the NDP as requested.

The quote received was £1400.00 +VAT

It was **RESOLVED**: to accept the quote, and the Clerk was asked to advise Kirkwells accordingly.

11. Finance

11.1 To note bank balance

Bank balance 16597.77 as bank statement 15/12/2016

11.2 To consider draft budget for 2017/18

It was **RESOLVED**: to approve the budget for 2017/18

It was **RESOLVED**: to set the precept as £10,000.00 for 2017/18

Information regarding the increase in the precept for 2017/18 to be prepared by the Clerk to go into the parish newsletter & on the website

11.3 To consider quote for "Carey" signs and installation by Balfour Beatty

It was **RESOLVED**: to agree the quote of £635.00+ VAT from Balfour Beatty for 3 signs to be installed for "Carey". A traffic management system would be in operation whilst the signs were being installed by Balfour Beatty due health and safety as the road was very narrow

11.4 To consider quote for signage regarding HGV's

A quote had been received from Balfour Beatty for HGV signage. It was **RESOLVED**: that the Clerk obtains 2 further quotes for HGV signage from signage suppliers

11.5 To consider quote from Radbourne's for sandbags for the parishes at 3 locations

A quote had been received from Radbourne's which was £110.50 for 1 pallet of 50 sand bags.

It was **RESOLVED**: to purchase one pallet, which would be delivered to The Old Mill in Hoarwithy and then Cllr Lyons would transfer 25 to St Owens Cross.

11.7 To consider invoices for Payment

It was **RESOLVED**: to pay

Plynlimon Trust October Transport £41.00

BOSH invoice for 50% cost of printing BOSH autumn newsletter £37.00

Grant Thornton Invoice for External Audit 2015/16 £120.00

Clerk reimbursement for postage £9.16

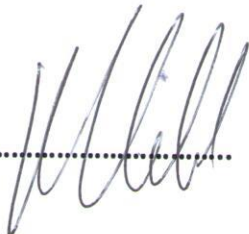
12. Correspondence

12.1 To note letter from The Parish of Little Dewchurch with Ballingham for donation of £200.00 toward the maintenance of the churchyard letter noted

13 Matters raised for consideration for placing on the next meeting's agenda (no discussion)

14. Date of Next Meeting Wednesday 11th January 2017 at 7.30pm Ballingham village hall

Signed.....
Chairman



Dated.....

11 Jan 17

