

BALLINGHAM BOLSTONE AND HENTLAND GROUP PARISH COUNCIL

A meeting of the above council was held at the Parish Room Hoarwithy on Thursday 16 July 2015 at 7.30pm.

Present: Mr S Harris, Mr J Lyons, Mr F Probert, Mr P Rees, Mr H Rudge, Mr M Soble (in the chair), Mr A Smith, Clr. D Summers (Herefordshire Councillor) and the clerk (P Pember).

Visitors 1

Apologies: Mr S Keogh.

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Clr David Summers the newly elected councillor for Dinedor Hill ward was welcomed to the meeting. He briefly gave details of what he was doing and said if anyone wanted to contact him his email address was

David.Summers@herefordshire.gov.uk

Co-options to Council

There had been two expressions of interest Mrs P Fitzpatrick, who was at the meeting and Mrs S Pike who was not present.

The clerk read out an email from Mrs Fitzpatrick and following an informal discussion with Councillors she was duly co-opted to the council which she accepted.

The Clerk then read out an email from Mrs Pike and was instructed to invite her to the next ordinary meeting of the council on 17 September when her co-option would be considered.

Declaration of Interests

There were none.

1. Minutes of the last meeting:

There was an amendment to the penultimate paragraph which now read:-

“The Chair had by chance met a resident living near Hoarwithy Bridge who complained that Motor Caravans were using the campsite. The consensus was that this was not a significant problem. Sometimes fairly large vans bring canoes etc. which may have been mistaken for Motor Caravans.”

The amended minutes were approved and signed.

2. Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) Update

Progress was being made to finalising the settlement boundaries and looking at potential sites. It was hoped to proceed with informal consultations fairly soon but it was important to get things right. The HLF grant had to be used by early March 2016.

3. Planning

3.1.

APPLICATION NO & SITE ADDRESS: 151770 - 2 Tan House Cottages, St Owens Cross, Hereford, Herefordshire HR2 8LG

DESCRIPTION: Proposed removal of tin garage and coal shed. Erection of two storey extension.

APPLICANT(S): Ms Lisa Bartrip

GRID REF: OS 354393, 224856

APPLICATION TYPE: Full Householder

It was resolved that the Council could not support the application because of the impact on the neighbours privacy from the balcony.

3.2

APPLICATION NO & SITE ADDRESS: 151597 - Catson, Little Dewchurch, Hereford, Herefordshire HR2 6PS

DESCRIPTION: Proposed glass panel to hayloft opening and glass panel and dwarf wall to storage room beneath hayloft.

APPLICANT(S): Mrs Ruth Green

GRID REF: OS 353987, 232515

APPLICATION TYPE: Listed Building Consent

It was resolved to support the application as the proposed alterations would make the building more watertight.

4. Lengthsman's Scheme:

Mr Philip Watkins who does verge cutting had been engaged to do this work.

The Clerk had just heard that the pedestrian gate on HN3 behind the New Harp would be replaced with a kissing gate but installation would have to come from the P3 budget. As the hedge is owned by the Duchy estate it was agreed the Clerk should seek permission for the replacement and see if the Duchy were prepared to install it.

5. Standing Orders

These had been circulated. It was agreed that one amendment be made – every effort should be made to distribute draft minutes of a meeting to councillors within 7 days of the meeting but no later than 14 days of the meeting. The Standing Orders were then approved

6. Items of Parochial Interest

6.1 B4521 Traffic was going too fast along this road and it was agreed to ask the Road Safety Partnership for advice to reduce the speed of vehicles. It was also agreed that the Clerk should circulate the advice

given re speed Indicator devices and comments from Mr Graham Hornsby re the A4137

6.2 Footpath Ballingham by the riverbank – although no longer footpaths officer it was agreed the Clerk should contact Dr Peter Huyton to find out what was happening.

6.3 Hedges overhang the road to Carey between the Rookery and drive to River Knoll. Clerk to check current procedure with a view to getting the hedges cut.

6.4 There is also a problem opposite The Rookery and Marriott Cottage. As the hedge is no longer there some form of barrier needs to be erected to stop vehicles because there is quite a drop and the river is close. Clerk to contact Balfour Beatty.

7. Date of next meeting:

30 July extraordinary meeting at the New Inn St. Owens Cross HR2 8LQ re planning.

17 September 2015 at the Parish Room Hoarwithy (behind St, Catherine's Church) HR2 6QQ