

BALLINGHAM BOLSTONE AND HENTLAND GROUP PARISH COUNCIL

A meeting of the above council was held at The New Inn St. Owens Cross on Thursday 21 April 2016 at 7.30pm.

Present: Mrs P Fitzpatrick, Mr. S Harris. Mr J Lyons, Mr S Keogh. Mrs S Pike, Mr F Probert, Mr P Rees, Mr H Rudge, Mr M Soble (in the chair) and the clerk (P Pember).

Visitor Two

Apologies Clr. David Summers

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There were none.

Declaration of Interests

None

1. Minutes of the last meeting:

The minutes of the meeting on 17 March had been circulated and were taken as read approved and signed.

2. Neighbourhood Development Plan

Prior to the meeting members visually inspected the St. Owens Cross Proposed settlement boundary and had inspected the Hoarwithy settlement boundary on 13 April. St Owens Cross was agreed with minor amendment and Hoarwithy with slight adjustment to the Tressack road boundary to match the boundary of the new houses to be built. Also the area between the road and the river should be marked as retained for its visual amenity with only development to enhance its use for the community.

The visitors Mr & Mrs Clouston were invited to look at the proposed settlement boundary for Hoarwithy and were happy with these proposals.

Mr P Rees, Mr J Lyons and Clerk to amend and submit to Kirkwells.

3. To approve further work to trees on Biblets Common

It was felt that although the work carried out has greatly enhanced the use of the footpath more work was needed to remove some branches which were partly detached from the trunk. It was agreed to defer the work until November

4. Lengthsman and Parish Paths Scheme

4.1 Extended Lengthsman's scheme.

The Clerk met with Mr Griffiths and the work had been done subject to receipt of invoice..

Clerk to follow up invoice.

4.2 Approve 2016/17 contract.

The 2016/17 contract is the same as 2015/16
P3 Grant £1195, Lengthsman Grant £3588,
Additional Grant £1150,
Matched funding from Parish Precept £1150
Item 2A.5 Nominated Task and item 2B.1 Pothole filling do not
show the standard. Clerk to check this. Subject to above it was
agreed the contract be signed by Chair and Clerk
Chair and clerk to sign

5. Approve purchase of equipment under transparency grant scheme

A grant of £384.00 has been received to fund the purchase of computer equipment and software. It was agreed to liaise with the new Clerk to choose the appropriate items and purchase the equipment.

Clerk to liaise with new Clerk

6. Feedback Unrecorded Ways workshop

Mrs Pike attended the workshop. There are some footpaths, bridleways etc. that are not registered and shown on the definitive map so do not have a proven right of way. These must be registered by 2026 otherwise the right of way would cease to exist.

7. Approve payment of Community First subscription requested by BOSH

It was agreed that the Council would contribute £135.00 towards the subscription payable by BOSH to Community First.

Clerk to advise BOSH

8. Bus Shelter St. Owens Cross

Although not on a service route the School Bus picks up children from the stop on the B4521 near the cross roads. The Clerk had contacted Mr. W Lyons who owns the property adjacent to the stop and he has no objection in principle. It was agreed the Clerk should contact the Planning department for their views.

Clerk to contact Planning

9. Suggestions for Commemoration of the Queen's 90th Birthday.

It was decided not to give a commemorative coin or mug to children in the parishes on this occasion. (See also item 10.1)

10. Possible items for Annual Parish Meeting

10.1 Friends of Hoarwithy suggestion to tidy up Bibletts Common and put a bench there for Queens 90th Birthday.
Agreed

10.2 Jane Rigler to speak on OWL Good Neighbourhood Scheme to combat loneliness in rural areas
Agreed

11. WW1 Home Front Commemoration 2017

There will be a meeting on 7 May 2016 from 10am to 4 pm at the Herefordshire Archive and Records Centre. Mrs S Pike said she was attending and would report back.

12. To review and confirm appointment of clerk

The Chair closed the meeting. One applicant Mrs K Greenow was interviewed and the Chair recommended her appointment on appropriate terms. Her appointment was approved with effect from 1 May 2016

Clerk to advise Lynda Wilcox to offer her the position

13. Items of Parochial Interest

The meeting reopened.

The Chair had been asked to look at the possibility of replacing the dilapidated notice board on Ballingham Hill. The one at Bolstone also needs replacing.

Also no response has been received regarding village signs for Carey

Clerk to look at cost of notice boards and follow up village signs

14. Date of next meeting:

19 May Annual Parish Council meeting 7.00pm followed by Annual Parish meeting at 8.00pm