

WYRE PIDDLER PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council duly convened and held in
The Village Hall, Wyre Piddle on Thursday 1st August 2013 commencing at 7.30pm

Present Councillors: -

M Oakley (acting Chairman)
G Smout

In attendance: -

County Councillor Liz Tucker and 68 local residents
D Taverner – Clerk and Responsible Finance Officer

Apologies recorded: -

Cllrs D Narraine, R Merchant, and J Parsons

Due to the fact that only two Councillors were able to attend the meeting the Chairman advised those present that, as the meeting was non quorate, only matters of report could be dealt with and all other business on the agenda would have to be transacted at the Parish Council meeting scheduled for 26th September.

1/8/13 Declarations of Interest

a) Register of Interests: Councillors are reminded of the need to update their register of interests: There were none

b) To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests in items on the agenda and their nature: There were none

c) To declare any Other Disclosable Interests in items on the agenda and their nature: There were none

2/8/13 To Consider Written Requests from Councillors for the Council to Grant a Dispensation (S33 of the Localism Act 2011)

No such requests had been received

3/8/13 Report of County Councillor

Cllr Tucker advised that the County Councils engineering team had started the preparation work for the installation of the eastern Bridge road barrier system. It was anticipated that the barrier should be fully operational by early October

The County Council were beginning to look at the extent of the spending cuts which were needed to achieve a target reduction in the order of £60-70 million from their core revenue budget by the end of 2015

4/8/13 Planning matters

BOVIS HOMES - WYRE HILL

The Bovis Homes Application had been submitted to Wychavon District Council

The Parish Council has submitted a comprehensive response to the application which can be viewed at the following link [BOVIS Homes - Parish Council objection](#). The main thrust of the objections centred on:

- The plans do not accord with planning policy (old Policy and that contained within the emerging SWDP) [South Worcestershire Development Plan]
- The site is not in a sustainable location

- It would cause additional highways risk
- It would create additional flooding risk
- It would cause harm to protected species
- It could cause harm to a Protected Ancient Monument (the Bridge)

MILL LANE

The Parish Council had been contacted by Agents proposing 8 Affordable Housing units on land to the West of Smith's Meadow, the other side of Mill Lane. The Parish Council and the Planning Group had replied to the agents stating that the site is considered to be too prominent; adjacent to a Conservation Area; on a difficult stretch of Mill Lane which could give rise to Highways problems and a further risk to Flooding in the lower section of Mill Lane

5/8/13 Community Events and Parish Games update

Carrie Oakley gave a report on the very successful summer fête which had been in Smiths Meadow.

Thanks were given to Sharon and Terry Robinson-Cook who assisted in making the Meadow look at is best; for enabling easy access to the River; and for providing a platform from which Boats could be safely boarded/

Grateful thanks were also given to Willie Arnold and John Kellett who had voluntarily provided Boat Trips. The funds rose from the Cream Teas and the donations for the Boat Trip were given to Joined up Entertainments Committee for their ruse.

In addition to this, Richard Eccles allowed the use of his field for Car Parking which meant that Church Street could be kept clear of excess cars.

The event had raised in excess of £870 which will be used by the JUE team to fund future events and charitable donations

6/8/13 Maintenance of highways

Although Wyre hill had been resurfaced recently there were still issues with the roads and pavements in the Village. Little response had been made to the various issues that had been reported to the County Council in recent months.

The Clerk had compiled a list of the main priority repairs that were still needed and this would be sent into the County Council’s highways management team in the hope of action.

7/8/13 Maintenance of footpaths and bridleways

Malcolm Haden reported that he had been in touch with the country Regarding outstanding issue with footpath signs and overgrowth on some paths. All the outstanding issues had been now been dealt with

8/8/13 to agree date of next meeting: Thursday 26th September, 2013

There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting at 7.55pm.

Chairman