

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF DRAKES BROUGHTON AND WADBOROUGH WITH PIRTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 7th NOVEMBER 2019 AT 7.30 PM AT DRAKES BROUGHTON VILLAGE HALL.

PRESENT: Cllr J Butterworth (Chairman), Cllr A Tanfield, Cllr A Crouchman, Cllr M Gardner, Cllr R Small, Cllr D Proctor, Cllr R Bessant, Cllr R Turner, Cllr T Pell, Cllr J Yeo, Cllr R Roberts and Cllr J Proctor-Nicholls

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs N Nicholson (Clerk) County Councillor Rob Adams and District Councillor M Ward

PUBLIC: Mr J Cooper, Mrs P Garret & Mr R Booker

1) APOLOGIES:

Cllr L Wild & Cllr S Wynn

2) DECLARATION OF INTEREST

N/A

The meeting was closed for representations from the public:

Mr Booker – updated members regarding surface water flooding of his garden on Brickyards Lane due to inefficient run off from the Elan Homes site – a meeting was planned with WDC enforcement for the following morning.

Mr Cooper – updated members that damage caused by Elan Homes Development to his home was at last being rectified.

Mrs Garret – asked members to consider a grant of £100-£200 towards materials to improve the provisions at the toddler group. The Chairman advised Mrs Garret that generally grants must be inclusive of all demographics of the community and advice on where to obtain grants for this kind of project would be sent to her.

3) LOCAL POLICING

The Clerk drew attention to the police report circulated prior to the meeting. She advised there had been three reportable incidents in October.

4) MINUTES

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting of 3rd October 2019 were proposed by Cllr Crouchman, seconded by Cllr Proctor, agreed by all and signed by the Chairman as a true record of the meeting.

5) MATTERS ARISING

• VAS – update

The Chairman advised members that the unit was now operational. The Chairman asked the Clerk to download and pass a copy of the user guide to the lengthsman. Cllr Bessant will also look at the guide to see how the recorded data can be collected from the VAS

• Report Back from meeting with Rooftop

Cllr Small advised that the abandoned car had been removed from the top car park. Nothing else had been done as yet. Cllr M Ward offered to follow this up if necessary.

• Junior Practice Goals

The Chairman advised that as per the minutes last month she had contacted the football club regarding replacement of the junior football goals. The Chairman is hopeful that a grant maybe available to the football club for this.

• Report Back from Parish Conference – Cllr Crouchman

Cllr Crouchman reported back from the October parish Conference as follows:

Stalls.

Planning for health and Wellbeing in Worcestershire – ideas of how ideas to promote this in parishes can be incorporated into Neighbourhood Plans. Should be noted that one comment during Q & A session highlighted District and County Council overruling an approved Neighbourhood Plan by agreeing a station car park extension of 200 plus spaces in a village already with traffic problems. (Said to be complying with Central Government expectations.)

Ideas for Community Led Housing. First obtain a large plot of land! Have to go through usual Planning processes. Kim Barton, Community-Led Housing Enabler kim.barton@wychavon.gov.uk
www.wychavon.gov.uk/community-led-housing-fund

Waste Management. Focus is on reducing domestic food waste, the disposal of which costs the County a huge amount p.a. Community Fridge opening at Upton Baptist Church November 5th, idea being people donate food they don't need and which would be wasted and maybe take something they can use. Emma Stuart is County's lead on domestic waste estuart@worcestershire.gov.uk

Service to Civvy Street. Booklet funded by the Ministry of Defence and produced by Worcestershire County Council to help ex armed forces personnel and their families settle into civilian life in Worcestershire.
wafcc@worcestershire.gov.uk www.worcestershirepartnership.org.uk.

Agenda.

Request from Peter Tomlinson Chairman WCC – send details of any Parish Councillor retiring after 25 years to WCC and they will get letter of appreciation.

CALC. Christopher Wayman. Encouraging all parishes to join and obtain training from them. Recent survey sent out by CALC to all Parish Councils. CALC would recommend all Parish Clerks have CiLCA training. Online training coming up in November for Chairmanship of Parish Councils. Question about membership fee rising steeply when new houses built in a parish was countered by reminder that Parish will get larger precept.

Feedback on **Adult Services by Richard Keble** – Assistant Director Adult Services. Focus on enabling people to live in own homes and to live independently as long as possible. Short term intensive support to help people regain their independence rather than long term care packages that may de-skill them or make them prematurely dependent. PC can help by letting Adult Services Teams know about local support services e.g. Dementia Cafes; luncheon clubs. See Community Asset Mapping form.

Safer Roads Partnership David Perridge Go into schools and talk to young people coming up to driving licence age. (Increase in young people delaying taking test until early 20s.) Lots of helpful information including fact that they sometimes can't prosecute people breaking speed limit as first they have to check that the stated limit is actually correct and legal. Was the right Act and Section put on the original order?

He acknowledged shortages in his team lead to delays in being able to loan pieces of equipment etc.

His talk fitted in with **MORSE** – making our roads safer for everyone. Presented by David Andrewartha YSS and a representative from the Fire Service.

YSS is a charity which among other briefs holds the contract for young carers. MORSE project is funded to run until March 2021. Initiative is a joined up approach to target those individuals most at risk of committing a road traffic offence. Focus on whole individual not just offending behaviour.

Operation Snap. Piloted in North Wales and now part of standard traffic policing there. Members of the public are encouraged to submit digital footage showing potential traffic offences. All submissions are dealt

with proactively to try and reduce poor driving on the county's roads www.westmercia.police.uk search Operation Snap.

Noticeable increase in serious accidents caused by older drivers – 40/50s. Possibly because they are fairly confident, they won't be caught driving recklessly – reduction of police presence.

The Chairman thanked Cllr Crouchman for her comprehensive overview.

- Playpark Sweeping and Litter clearing contracts

The Chairman advised members that the new play park sweeping contract and updated litter clearing contracts had been issued. The Chairman advised that the contractor was currently unwell.

- Clerk application for support to complete CiLCA qualification

The Clerk thanked the members for the grant and opportunity to complete the CiLCA qualification. The Clerk advised that the tutor lead courses were planned to be one morning a month over 7 month period, starting January 2020.

- Neighbourhood Watch Scheme

The Chairman advised that following the advert in the Villager magazine it was disappointing to note that the Clerk has received no interest in this from the public.

19a – Planning SWDP

Cllr Proctor-Nichols advised members of the background regarding the current adopted SWDP – adopted in 2016 and is currently under review as the government directive is to include a further 14000 houses across the three districts. Following a call out for sites the District Councils have reviewed all of these and has now made preferred options decision. This is now out for consultation. The main settlement sites put forward centre around the railway infrastructure and include new settlements at Norton Parkway, Rushwick and Throckmorton. The proposed settlement at Norton Parkway is much larger than anticipated and covers from the railway areas into and alongside our Parish. Members discussed this and it was decided that this information and the chance to have a say must be urgently and widely advertised. Cllr Ward advised that there was a consultation at Pershore Town Hall on 13th November and County Councillor Adams advised there was a consultation at Norton Parish Hall on 21st November. Members and the Clerk will advertise these widely including using the school mailings and the FB notice board as the timing makes it inappropriate to use the villager magazine.

9pm – Cllr Proctor-Nichols and Cllr Proctor left the meeting.

6) OPEN SPACE REVIEW – Progress update

No further update this month.

7) VILLAGE HALL REFURBISH AND DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

The Chairman advised members that the community legacy grant application is on track and will be ready for submission on 15th November.

The Chairman advised members she will circulate a copy of the Draft Village hall development plan via email. She advised members that two further committees will be created – a marketing group to look at maintaining current bookings and generating new business and a second committee to look at facility management that will look at bookings, accounting management and maintenance. The Chairman advised the Village Hall Fundraising committee, which is a subset of the Village Hall Committee and has a terms of reference that include a fund raising target, is now up and running.

8) TRAFFIC ISSUES – SPEEDING TRAFFIC & COMMUNITY SPEEDWATCH INITIATIVE and SRP

The Chairman advised members that the Clerk had ascertained that the Roundalls will cost £300 per pair. It was agreed to ask WCC to survey two sites initially, one opposite the Woodleigh junction on Stonebow Road

and one adjacent to the speed signs entering from A44 end of the village. The Clerk will update at December's meeting.

9) STREETLIGHTS – POWER SUPPLY LIGHTS 39&40

E'on have been instructed to investigate the power supply at an additional £200 charge initially. As proposed by the Chairman and seconded by Cllr Pell and agreed by email vote.

10) PLAYING FIELD USE REVIEW

Ongoing – no further update this month.

11) ROAD NAMES FOR SANCTUARY DEVELOPMENT

The Clerk advised she had submitted the apple names put forward by members.

12) PUDDING VAN

Deferred to December's meeting.

13) GRIT BIN

The siting of the Yellow and Green Grit bins at Greenfield Close and the Village Green was discussed and due to the revisions in the primary and secondary gritting routes it was agreed that the grit bins should be returned to the original positions.

14) CARAVAN OCCUPATION

The Chairman advised District Councillor Ward that year-round occupation of the caravans continues to be and ongoing issue. This was then deferred to December's agenda. The Chairman asked The Clerk to get an update on the situation from Cllr Proctor.

15) REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS

a) County Councillor

County Councillor Adams advised that the proposed meeting with Highways Cabinet member Alan Amos has been rearranged for 3.15pm 22nd November. He asked for a representation from DB members. Cllr Turner and Cllr Pell agreed to attend.

District Councillor

District Councillor Ward advised that the W- Factor singing and dance competition was once again being run by WDC. Open to school years 6 -13, ages 11-18. Formal arts training was the prize. The final would be held at Number 8 on 10th February 2020.

b) Other reports as necessary

Cllr Bessant asked regarding the football club doing additional pitch cuts and the newly treated surfaces. Cllr Bessant also asked if the no dogs signage on the playing field can be replaced is it old/faded and not very visible. The Clerk advised she would pass the request on to Cllr Wild and the Open space review committee.

Cllr Bessant advised that the speed data had been collected from Stonebow Road and she was awaiting the details to be passed to herself and the SRP for the next steps in setting up the community speed watch programme.

Cllr Turner reported a persistent WDC refuse lorry speeding on Stonebow Road. Cllr Ward asked for date/time or number plate to be reported to him to take forward.

Cllr Pell advised she was attending the community railway infrastructure meeting the 8th November

Cllr Small advised that the white line needed repainting from the railway bridge out to the A44. The Chairman asked the clerk to report this on WCC hub. Cllr Small advised the large potholes remain and are getting worse on 'Debby's Lane' The Clerk confirmed these had been reported but would re-report/chase up again.

16) VILLAGER UPDATES

The Chairman advised that the Villager submission had already been sent as the deadline was this morning.

17) TASKS FOR LENGTHSMAN

Cllr Turner advised that the old VAS didn't appear to be working –The clerk will liaise with the lengthsman.

18) FINANCE

The monthly reconciliation of cash and other monies received was undertaken for October by Cllr Gardner & Cllr Crouchman.

The Precept setting meeting for 2020-2021 is scheduled for 7pm 5th December prior to the monthly Parish Council meeting. The Chairman will circulate budgets and proposals prior to the meeting. The Chairman asked members to notify her of any additions to be included in next year's budget.

It was proposed by Cllr Gardner and seconded by Cllr Pell to authorise the following payments:

a) Mrs N Nicholson – Clerk salary – October	£471.96
b) Mr B Arrowsmith – Lengthsman – October	£220.00
c) Mr B Arrowsmith – Litter Clearing Playing fields – October	£115.00
d) DBVH – Annual meeting room hire charge	£150.00
e) N Power – Quarterly electricity charge, street lighting	£699.02
f) Mrs N Nicholson – OPE phone line rental	£60.00
g) Mrs N Nicholson – OPE quarterly expenses	£30.58
h) Smart Cut Ltd – grass cutting October	£294.00

The Chairman asked the Clerk to hold the cheques for lengthsman and litter clearing until receipt of the contractor's paperwork.

Remittance – WCC Lengthsman reclaim – September	£220.00
Came & Company Insurance claim	£538.11

19) PLANNING

a) SWDP – Plan review

Discussed earlier in the meeting.

b) Bovis development 106 monies/affordable housing agreement

The Chairman advised that WDC legal team had still not confirmed the amendment to the 106 to include Pirton residents as having equal right to affordable housing. District Councillor Ward agreed to follow this up.

9:45pm - Cllr Small left the meeting

- c) Comments made on planning applications to Wychavon: W/19/02012/RM Applegrove, Worcester Road, Drakes Broughton, WR10 2AG. Reserved matters approval for appearance, layout, landscaping, following granting of outline planning permission 19/01943/OU. Recommend approval with revisions to working hours.
- d) Applications Approved: W/19/01109/ADV Siting of sales and information hoardings at Bovis Homes site, Worcester Road. (Bovis have withdrawn sales cabin application)
- e) Applications Refused: N/A
- f) Applications Awaiting comment: W19/02290/PA Removal of public phone box, Drakes Broughton. W/19/02265/FUL 2Woodleigh, Drakes Broughton. Erection of two-bedroom detached dwelling.
- g) Appeals: W/19/00246/FUL The Old Coal Yard, Windmill Lane, Stoulton. Awaiting outcome.

20) CORRESPONDENCE

- Wychavon Sports – representative 21st November
- Resident re VHC location & Plans
- West Mercia – rural crime strategy

- Resident regarding Stonebow footpath
- Resident re VHC car parking
- WCC Parish event slides
- West Mercia darker nights advice.
- WDC Precept requirement request
- Rail partnership meeting 8th November

21) INFORMATION AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday 5th December 2019 at 7.00pm at Drakes Broughton Village Hall –Precept Setting finance meeting

Thursday 5th December 7:30pm at Drakes Broughton Village Hall - Drakes Broughton and Wadborough with Pirton monthly Parish Council meeting.

Meeting Closed 10pm.