

SEDGEBERROW PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Sedgeberrow Parish Council Meeting held at the Betteridge Room in Sedgeberrow Village Hall on Wednesday 9th September 2015 at 7.15pm.

Present Cllr's Mrs M Pratt [Chairman], Mr C Devereaux-Little, Mr R Hunt and Mr A Thomas.

In Attendance Ms J Shields (Clerk), Mrs J Smith, Mrs S Morris, Ms A Dawson, Mr D May, Cllr G Mackison (District) and Mr M Parker.

The Chairman welcomed Cllr Thomas to the council and the declaration of acceptance was duly signed.

1. Apologies: To receive apologies and approve reasons for absence.

Apologies had been received and accepted from Cllr Mr J De Paris, Mr A Stow, Cllr E Eyre (County) and PCSO S Tinkler.

2. Co Option of a Councillor.

The position will be re advertised for the next meeting.

3. Declaration Of Interests.

Councillors were reminded to update their registers of interest and to declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI) and their nature.

Cllr Thomas registered a ODI as a member of the ICG.(Isbourne Catchment Group).

Cllrs Devereaux-little and Thomas registered an PDI as neighbours of item 14a(iv) and took no part in the discussion or decision.

4. To Consider The Adoption Of The Minutes Of The Meeting Held On Wednesday 8th July 2015.

The minutes having been previously circulated were agreed and signed as a true record.

Meeting Closed

Mr Parker gave a report (appendix to the minutes).

Ms Dawson spoke on behalf of the Isbourne Catchment Group, requesting a donation of £1,000.00 towards the £20,000.00 cost of a 'scoping exercise' for the Isbourne. To date the group has been allocated £1,000.00 from W.C.C., £5,000.00 from the University of Gloucestershire, Winchcombe Town Council £500.00, Evesham Town council £500.00 and Gloucester County Council and Cllr E Eyre have registered an intention to donate.

Mrs Morris raised the concerns of speeding and HGV's in the Winchcombe Road.

Meeting resumed.

5. Police.

Nothing to report.

6. County Councillor.

Report had been previously circulated.

7. District Councillor.

Gave a report.

8. Progress Reports For Information.

a) Clerk.

Circulated.

Reported to highways.

Online Report - Other Road or Pavement Problem - Reference Number 6734827

Description The council is very concerned re the amount of lorries over 7.5 tons using Winchcombe Road.

Location WINCHCOMBE ROAD, WR117UZ

Comments from Worcestershire County Council

22-JUL-2015 This is a "B" classification road and is expected to take any number of 7.5 ton vehicles.

Clerk to re send the question.

b) War Memorial.

The grant had been received.

c) Defibrillator.

The defibrillator has been delivered, the Chairman will liaise with the school and the Village hall Committee for an appropriate site.

d) Tree Preservation Order.

Deferred.

9. Correspondence.

- The council agreed not to apply, at the present time, for a Flood Grant, as this is for physical work and not for consultancy or professional advice.
- The council having studied its finances as £1,000.00 is nearly a tenth of the year's precept and had not been budgeted for, agreed in principle the donation to the ICG, this will be an agenda item for the next meeting.

10. New Homes Bonus 2015/2016.

Since the last meeting Wychavon have announced the release of more funding which brings Sedgeberrow total to date £7,061.00.

The following ideas have been brought to the attention of the Council.

- Main Street Play area - Swings, Play equipment and handrail.
- New bus shelter and for the path to be continued from Churchill Road to the bus stop in the Cheltenham Road. E mailed county council, 6762692, to date no reply.
- Street lighting – Clerk to investigate.
- Mini Bus.
- Name of the river on the bridge. E mailed county Council, 6762689, to date no reply.
- Speed signs that state actual speed and traffic calming measures Clerk to investigate.

11. Litter Pick.

The litter pick will take place on Saturday 26th September and be carried out by members of the Flood Group and SESAME.

The Chairman volunteered to check the village after the pick.

12. Highway Matters.

- The greenery over the footway by the Glebe Meadow has been cut back by Highways.
- *I am writing to you from EM Highway Services. We manage and maintain motorways and trunk roads on behalf of Highways England (formerly the Highways Agency) within the West Midlands.*
Thank you for your enquiry regarding A46 Congestion on 23.7.15
We were not previously aware of this being a location where congestion is an issue, but can add it to the 2016/17 study list for consideration as a possible study to look at the issue in more detail. Unfortunately this does not guarantee that the study will be approved for the 2016/17 financial year as budgets for works of this nature have not yet been confirmed. However once the site is added to the list the study will be delivered when funding becomes available.
The council was not happy with this response, Cllr Devereaux-Little will obtain a contact to write again.
- Recent surface repairs carried out in Main Street, all the workman were praised for their help and courtesy.
- The yellow lines in Main Street were not complete, clerk to contact Highways.
- Cllr Eyre has asked for a further study of the Winchcombe Road regarding speed and HGV's.
- The Winchcombe Road has raised ironworks again, clerk to report.

13. Finance.

a) To Receive Bank Reconciliation As At 30th August 2015.

Accounts were presented.

b) To Receive Accounts To Date.

The following remittance had been received:

£100.00 donation from Mr Thomas and £25.00 from Mr and Mrs Poyner for the defibrillator.

c) To Approve Payments.

The council approved the following payments:-

Lengthsman £703.75, Worcs, CALC Training £30.00, Grass July £60.00 and August £60.00, Heartbeat Community trust £2,310.00, Wychavon Games £64.0 and Grant Thornton £120.00.

d) Closure of Audit 2014/2015.

The audit had been returned and the closure notice will be displayed.

e) Consider Contribution to a Poppy Wreath.

The council agreed a donation of £40.00.

f) To Consider The Pension Scheme.

Deferred.

14. Planning.

a) To consider applications since last meeting.

- i. W/15/01888/PN - West End House, Barn Lane, Sedgeberrow. No objection.

- ii. W/15/01822/PP - Grange Cottage, 76 Main Street, Sedgeberrow. Installation of external wall insulation to all elevations of the property in a neutral colour (white/ cream/ grey). No objection.
- iii. W/15/01831/PP - 32 Cheltenham Road, Sedgeberrow. Installation of external wall insulation to all elevations of the property in a neutral colour (white/cream/grey). No objection.
- iv. W/15/02106/LB - The Mill, Winchcombe Road, Sedgeberrow. Listed building consent for the installation of 2 x conservation type roof skylights. As two of the four Cllrs have a DPI, the chairman will consult with the absent Cllrs and report the decision on line.

b) To report decisions since last meeting.

Approved by Wychavon.

W/15/01275/PN - Hill View Nurseries, Sandfield Lane, Sedgeberrow,

15. Items For Future Agenda and Councillor Reports.

Speeding in Winchcombe Road and funding for ICG.

16. Date Of Next Meeting.

11th November 2015, Cllr Hunt gave his apologies.