

Abbeydore & Bacton Group Parish Council

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of

Abbeydore and Bacton Group Parish Council

held in Abbeydore Village Hall on Tuesday 7th November 2017

No ABPC/MW/089

Present

Councillor Mr D R Watkins Chairman
Councillor Mrs M J Jenkins Vice – Chairman
Councillor Mr D Bannister
Councillor Mr D Cook
Councillor Mrs W Gunn
Councillor Mr M J Jenkins
Councillor Mr W (Bill) Millington
Councillor Mr T Murcott

Clerk Mr M Walker

Also Present

Newly elected Golden Valley South Ward Councillor Mr Peter Jinman and one further member of the public

The Parish Council Meeting was formally opened by the Chairman at 7.30pm, who also welcomed Ward Councillor Mr Peter Jinman on behalf of the Parish Council

1.0 Apologies

No apologies received as all Parish Councillors were present
Parish Lengthsman, Locality Steward and representative from Golden Valley Safer Neighbourhood Team not present

2.0 Minutes

The Minutes of the Ordinary Group Parish Council Meeting No ABPC/MW/088 held on Tuesday 5th September 2017 were unanimously confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

3.0 Declarations of Interest and Dispensations

- 3.1** To receive any declarations of interest in agenda items from Councillors
Declarations of interest were made by Councillor Mrs M J Jenkins Vice – Chairman reference Item 10.0
- 3.2** To consider any written applications for dispensation
There were no written applications for dispensation made

The Parish Council resolved to change the order of business at this time to Item 8.1

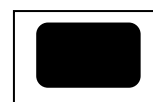
8.0 To Receive Reports from:-

8.1 Golden Valley South Ward Councillor Mr Peter Jinman

Mr Jinman confirmed that he had received a briefing for his new role and had attended various training sessions including Child Wellbeing.

While confirming that he may not be able to attend all Parish Council meetings due to work commitments requested that the Chairman and Clerk keep him up to date with current matters
A Council report related to the substantial overspend incurred at the Blueschool Street building renovation was due to be released soon

The New University project had been awarded £15 million from Central Government to “kick start” this much needed facility.



Planning Applications take up a great deal of both Officer and Councillor time with the Joint Neighbourhood Development Plan (although not as yet adopted) now requiring consideration by Planning Officers when deciding applications whether by delegation or at Committee.

Ewyas Harold Common, with ponies present, is in the process of an ownership change, the Parish Council will be kept informed

Abbeydore Court is now able to conduct “Marriage Ceremonies”

A small attendance at the event at Longtown Village Hall reference Herefordshire CCG GP Practice Services, Community Health and Care Engagement

Ward Councillor Mr Peter Jinman said he was here to help and could be contacted as and when needed

The Parish Council resumed the correct order of business at this time to Item 4.0

4.0 Financial Report

4.1 Bank Balance as per statement No 94 @ 4th October 2017

Treasurers Current Account £14,446.85

Bank Reconciliation to agree with Internet Printed Bank Statement £5,319.69

Bank Balance as per statement No 38 @ 4th October 2017

Business Bank Deposit Account £4,050.52

Bank Reconciliation to agree with Internet Printed Bank Statement £13,050.68

4.2 Receipts

Herefordshire Council BACS Remittance Advice reference 2443447 £4,600.00

2nd Part Precept

Herefordshire Council BACS Remittance Advice reference 3887079 £382.00

2nd Quarter Lengthsman Claim

4.3 Payments

Terry Griffiths Road Account TGC0160 £458.40

Cheque Number 000804

For Work Sheet see Item 11.0

Clerk's Salary October 2017 Gross £334.96

Mileage £4.32

Postage £2.24

TAX £67.00 NIC £0.00

Nett Pay £274.52

Cheque Number 000805

HM Land Registry £30.00

Cheque Number 000806

(Reimbursement to Clerk authorisation given to use credit card)

Grant Thornton External Audit Invoice No 8749093 £120.00

Cheque Number 000807

Clerk's Salary November 2017 Gross £334.96

Mileage £6.98

Postage £11.39

TAX £67.00 NIC £0.00

Nett Pay £286.33

Cheque Number 000808

Resolved unanimously that all payments are approved

{ Finance Sheets given to all Parish Councillors }



4.4 Update on 2016-2017 Annual External Audit

External Audit returned from Grant Thornton with no comments
Notice of Conclusion of Audit - Date of Announcement 30th September 2017
posted on Parish Council Notice Board

4.5 To consider Draft Budget for 2018-2019

The Parish Council resolved to accept the budget for 2018-2019 as presented
Proposed by Councillor Mr D Cook and Seconded by Councillor Mrs M J Jenkins
Vice – Chairman

4.6 To agree Precept for the forthcoming fiscal year

The Parish Council Resolved unanimously to maintain the precept at last year's amount of
£9,200.00

5.0 Public Question Time

A 10 minute period is to be allocated if required to facilitate any member of the public
to address the assembled Parish Councillors
No matters raised

6.0 Abbeydore Village Hall

6.1 Land Registration

Information had been sent to The Land Registry (23rd October 2017) but as yet no reply
received

6.2 Updated Hall Committee Constitution

A new Village Hall Constitution had been produced by Sylvia Rothwell
They are going to check with The Charities Commission as to protocol when producing a
new Constitution

The Parish Council were not comfortable with the new Draft Constitution and Councillor
Mrs W Gunn "Parish Council Village Hall Delegate" would convey this to the Village Hall
Committee

Committee should check with The Charities Commission

Publishing of Accounts should be on The Charities Commission's Website

Parish Clerk instructed to contact The Charities Commission reference Constitution also

Committee Members details must be kept up to date

Parish Clerk to contact Mrs Joyce Axe or Mrs Sylvia Rothwell

6.3 Awards for All – Grant Application for Bacton Village Hall Defibrillator

Grant applied for but as yet no response

Abbeydore Village Hall Defibrillator details logged and sent to West Midlands Ambulance
Service NHS Foundation Trust for registration

Abbeydore Village Hall telephone line not working – no dial tone

All information to be forwarded to Councillor Mr T Murcott by the Clerk

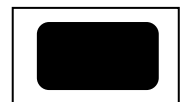
7.0 Neighbourhood Plan Update

Councillor Mr T Murcott gave a brief update of progress to date

The Plan has now completed the Regulation 16 Submission

An External Examiner will be looking at the Plan during November 2017, then any
amendments will be made before finally the Referendum which it is anticipated will take place
Spring of 2018

The NDP although not fully "made" does however carry weight with regards to planning
applications



8.0 To Receive Reports (if available) from:-

8.1 Golden Valley South Ward Councillor Mr Peter Jinman see after Item 3.0

8.2 West Mercia Police
See Item 11.0

8.3 Parish Footpaths P3 Officer Report
Problems reported are still not being addressed and no response being received
All Footpaths are becoming overgrown
Locality Steward Mr Paul Norris to be contacted by the Clerk requesting that he makes contact with Parish Footpaths Officer as soon as possible

8.4 Locality Steward Report Mr Paul Norris
Not present but generic reports are emailed to Parish Councillors as received

8.5 Terry Griffiths Lengthsman and to agree Future Tasks
Clerk to instruct Terry to include strimming of Footpath entrances in conjunction with general works

8.6 Members request to advise on local road issues
Some potholes are repaired but adjacent ones are not
Seems inefficient and a complete waste of resources, time and effort
Balfour Beatty Living Places are the Contractor and will only repair “logged” potholes
Clerk instructed to write to Balfour Beatty Living Places and cc to Ward Councillor Mr Peter Jinman

Grit-bin at the top of Cockyard has not been filled

9.0 Broadband Update

To receive update from Councillor Toby Murcott

Gigaclear are undertaking the contract but work for the Bacton area hopefully will take place in 2019

10.0 Planning Application

Application No 173617 Bannut Tree Abbeydore Hereford HR2 0AG

Description Proposed 3 bay oak frame garage with office above

Type Full Householder

“Good Morning Abigail,

Abbeydore & Bacton Group Parish Council resolved to support application No 173617 subject to compliance with a, b & c below.

a) as per the emerging NDP that the visible roof line should not encroach on the existing skyline

b) That clarification be given re PRow AD12a, as there appears to be some uncertainty as to the correct line in relation to the proposed development.

c) As AD12a is currently impassable the land owner (the applicant) should be required to reinstate public access prior to any work being commenced.

Best Regards Malcolm Walker Clerk to Abbeydore & Bacton Group Parish Council”

11.0 Information Sheet

Sheet to include update on previous action points and a list of correspondence received

Planning Information

4th September 2017

172150 Upper House Farm Bacton Hereford HR2 0AU

Proposed campsite for 5 no demountable tents (6 month holiday season)

Planning Permission

Reply sent to Planning Department 24th September 2017

Application Still Valid



2nd October 2017

172869 The Stables Tearoom Abbeydore Court Hereford HR2 0AD
Proposed demolition of existing tea room conservatory and erection of
replacement tea room extension
Planning Permission

Application Still Valid

Thursday 7th September 2017 Golden Valley South Ward Elections
Mr Peter Jinman elected 462 Votes

Correspondence

9th September 2017 North Herefordshire Conservative Association
Letter reference Event (Coffee Morning) October/November 2017

23rd September 2017 www.Oil-club.co.uk
Letter and leaflets reference Heating Oil Club

29th June 2016 Letter sent to Mr Paul Rone reference P3 Grant
Reply still awaited

Terry Griffiths Report August/September 2017 Reference Invoice No 0160

Description of work carried out:-

Routine Maintenance Work

Clear grids and clean out road gully's

Jet connecting pipes

Clear road culverts and jet

Check inspection pits

Clear ditch headwalls

Clear grips and reform leads

Clear minor obstruction from ditches and reform leads

Clean off road signs

Clear minor storm debris off roads

Strim round grit bins and road signs

Strim verges on bends junction splays and areas regularly used by pedestrians and no footway is present

Roads covered on this visit

C1212

From parish boundary to B4347

U74213

U7420

To parish boundary

C1209

From parish boundary

Materials - Marker spray

WCLF

October 2017 Golden Valley Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT) Newsletter

Your team, based at Peterchurch

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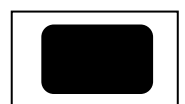
PCSO 6378 Pete Knight 07773 053919 peter.knight@westmercia.pnn.police.uk

Crime Trends 1st – 30th September 2017

Several buildings at **Madley** primary school were broken into between Friday 1st and Sunday 3rd and an X box was stolen from one (Incident 333-s-070917)

Sometime between Sunday 3rd and Saturday 9th, an unoccupied property in **Madley** was broken into and a search was made of all rooms, but it is unclear if anything was stolen (Incident 504-s-090917)

Overnight on Tuesday 5th/ Wednesday 6th a quantity of lead and some extension leads were stolen from a property undergoing renovation in **Longtown** (Incident 370-s-060917)



On Wednesday 6th, a charity minibus parked in the car park at The Co-op in **Cusop** had a window smashed (Incident 770-s-060917)

Overnight on Saturday 9th/ Sunday 10th, a cement mixer and 14m cable were stolen from the grounds of a property undergoing building works in **Clifford**. A locked stable block was also broken into at the same location, but nothing was taken (Incidents 204-s-110917 & 235-s-110917)

In the early hours of Sunday 10th, buildings on a farm in **Clifford** were broken into and a Stihl petrol chainsaw and a Stihl leaf blower were stolen (Incident 509-s-100917)

Overnight on Sunday 10th / Monday 11th a Karcher pressure washer, a Stihl chainsaw and a roll of electrical cable were stolen from a farm in **Dorstone** (Incident 282-s-110917)

Two youths were disturbed by neighbours breaking into a garage in Oak Crescent **Clehonger** (Incident ref 784-s-120917)

Overnight on Thursday 14th / Friday 15th a Honda quad bike and a Honda generator were stolen from locked sheds on a farm in **Clifford** (Incident 94-s-150917)

A quantity of lead was stolen from part of the church roof in **Madley** sometime overnight on Friday 15th / Saturday 16th (Incident 286-s-160917)

A Peugeot Partner van parked outside **Belmont** Abbey was broken into between 9.30 – 11.00 am on Sunday 17th, but nothing appears to have been stolen (Incident 334-s-170917)

Overnight on Thursday 21st / Friday 22nd, two roadside garages in **Clodock** were broken into, and a Nilfisk pressure washer was stolen (Incident 110-s-220917)

Also overnight on 21st/22nd a large outbuilding in a remote part of **Lower Maescoed** was broken into, and several tools were taken (Incident 302-s-220917)

The same building was broken into again between Monday 25th / Thursday 28th, it is not known at this stage what has been taken (incident 530-s-290917)

Damage was caused to the lawn of a property in **Vowchurch** by weed killer being applied in a line across it, this happened sometime during the past three weeks (Incident 22EB/87866F/17)

Overnight on Tuesday 26th / Wednesday 27th, a black Mercedes ML 270 estate was stolen from a farmyard in **Longtown** (incident 272-s-270917)

Sometime in the past month, the tail hair of two horses in a field in **Abbeydore** was cut (incident ref 210-s-240917)

A Kawasaki quad bike was stolen from a shed at a smallholding in **Clehonger** overnight on Friday 29th / Saturday 30th September (incident 217-s-300917)

If you have any information regarding any of the above crimes you can contact police on 101, in an emergency please dial 999. Please be aware that any information provided within this letter is to inform you of incidents of note and to request possible assistance. We do not want to worry you in anyway. Any incidents stated are infrequent and spread about a wide area, and are over a whole month.

Herefordshire is a safe place to live!

Good News Back in April 2016, PC Tom Milton assisted our colleagues at Trading Standards by arresting Martin Evans, trading as Eco Solutions from Brynhonddu Lodge, Pandy, Abergavenny for fraud by false representation. He was offering to carry out work and misleading several vulnerable people, who had been 'conned' out of several thousands of pounds for work not done or done to the required standard, including a resident in Ewyas Harold.

He was found guilty of 8 out of 9 counts (including 6 frauds of gross overcharging against six elderly victims) at Worcester Crown Court on 1st September after a two week trial. He is due to be sentenced on 2nd October and the judge has told him to expect a custodial sentence.

We will update you with details of his sentence in the next newsletter.

A 23 year old male from Kingstone, Paul Simcox, pleaded guilty at Hereford Magistrates court on 4th August for failing to transfer controlled waste to an authorised person, and transporting waste without a Waste Carriers Licence.

Simcox responded to an online advert requesting the removal of household rubbish from a house in Gloucester. He took the waste and then dumped it in two locations, on the Holmer Trading Estate and on the Lulham to Preston on Wye Road. Below is a photo of the rubbish he dumped in the Holmer Trading Estate.



Simcox was fined £1,050 with costs of £750, a victim surcharge of £40 and compensation of £75, totalling £1,925.

A robust message to all fly tippers!

Meet the Team Below are some of the venues where we'll be in October if you'd like to come and have a chat. We will try and vary the locations each month, so let us know if there is an event you'd like us to call in at in the future.

Wednesday 3rd October The Hub Café, St Peters Church, **Peterchurch** between 1pm – 2pm

Thursday 12th October The Stables Café, by the church, **Madley** between 12noon – 1pm

Wednesday 18th October Hopes of **Longtown** between 10 – 11 am

Friday 28th October **Dorstone** Front Room between 9am – 10am

Whilst we will make every effort to be at these events as advertised, there may occasionally be operational reasons why we cannot be there, we're sure you will understand if this happens.

And finally, on a lighter note!

The Highways Agency found over 200 dead crows on the M4 near Bridgend recently, and there was concern that they may have died from Avian Flu.

An avian pathologist examined the remains of all the crows, and, to everyone's relief, confirmed the problem was NOT Avian Flu.

The cause of death appeared to be from impacts with vehicles.

However, during analysis it was noted that varying colours of paints appeared on the bird's beaks and claws. By analysing these paint residues it was found that 98% of the crows had been killed by impact with lorries, while only 2% were killed by cars.

The Highways Agency then hired an Ornithological Behaviourist to determine if there was a cause for the disproportionate percentages of truck kills versus car kills. The behaviourist quickly concluded that when crows eat road kill, they always have a look-out crow to warn of danger.

They discovered that while all the lookout crows could shout "Cah", not a single one could shout "Lorry"

How to Contact Us 101 to talk to your local SNT or report a crime

goldenvalley.snt@westmercia.pnn.police.uk

www.westmercia.police.uk @GValleyCops

Only call 999 in an emergency, when a crime is in progress or life is in danger

2nd October 2017 Hello everyone

Since the newsletter was sent out yesterday we have received a report of three scrambler bikes being stolen from a shed in a rear garden in Oak Crescent, Clehonger.

This happened overnight on Friday 29th/ Saturday 30th September, the same night that the quad bike was taken from Poplar Road.

Please check the security of your outbuildings and make sure that all your equipment is securely locked away and is property marked. Shed alarms are inexpensive and do deter would be thieves Incident ref 211-s-020117

Kind Regards *Fiona*

November 2017 Golden Valley Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT) News Letter

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Crime Trends - October

Craswall Between Wednesday 26th and Thursday 27th Oct, thieves have forced entry to outbuildings and stolen a Hitachi Angle Grinder Incident ref 0616-S-281017

Overnight between the same dates (and possibly the same offenders) a shed/outbuilding was entered and two generators (Hyundai and Briggs and Stratton) stolen Incident Ref 0103-S-271017

Longtown Overnight from Friday 21st Oct to Friday 22nd Oct persons have approached an address which is in a small housing estate with fields to the rear and entered into rear garden. They have then dug up a magnolia tree and stole it from the garden Incident ref 498-S-221017



Between Saturday 15th and Sunday 16th Oct a ride on Husquvana mower was stolen from an outbuilding near Llanveynoe Incident ref 619-S-161017

Hardwick nr Hay on Wye Some road signs and other advertising signs were damage overnight Monday 17th Oct to Tuesday 18th Oct. The offenders have sprayed the sings with blue aerosol paint Incident ref 375-S-181017

Clehonger At the beginning of the month, offenders have gained access to a garden shed of a premise in Clehonger, and stolen three scrambler type motorcycles Incident ref 211-S-021017

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Arrests of note 28yr old male from Eaton Bishop was arrested on suspicion of drink driving and failing to stop at the scene of a collision. He was released on police bail.

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12:00hrs 7th Nov – 'Community Support Services', Pontrilas P.O. & Village Store

11:30hrs 9th Nov – The Hub Café, St. Peter's Church, Peterchurch

13:00hrs 23rd Nov – The Stables, Madley

09:30hrs 29th Nov – Dorstone Front Room, Dorstone

Whilst we will make every effort to be at these events as advertised, there may occasionally be operational reasons why we cannot be there, we're sure you will understand if this happens.

Winter's Here! Now the clocks have gone back, please make sure that your wear clothing that can be seen if you're out walking, running, cycling or riding, especially if you're on rural roads.

If you're a motorist please take extra care at this time of year, and make sure your lights are working and clean, and you're windscreen properly cleared before driving, so you will be able to see pedestrians and other road users.

4th November 2017 Herefordshire Local Plan Travellers Sites Development Plan Document Pre-Submission Consultation 6th November -18 December 2017

6th November 2017 Life Cycle UK letter reference free cycle stands

Councillor Mr T Murcott perused and checked the Accounts File for 2017-2018 and found no anomalies or discrepancies in the paperwork, also assessed risk and found no issues.

Internet Banking remains only for the Parish Clerk to access & view Bank Statements.

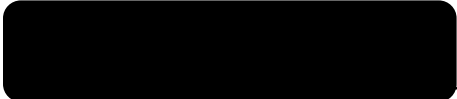
12.0 Agenda of Next Meeting

Grant for Defibrillator at Bacton Village Hall

13.0 Date, Time and Venue of Next Meeting

Confirmed that the next meeting will be an Ordinary Meeting of the Group Parish Council and will be held on **Tuesday 9th January 2018** in **ABBEYDORE Village Hall** meeting to commence at 7.30pm

Parish Council meeting declared closed at 9.15 pm

Signed..........

Parish Councillor Mr D R Watkins Chairman

Dated this day 9th January 2018