

**The Minutes of Brimfield & Little Hereford Group Parish Council meeting
held at Little Hereford Parish Hall at 7.30pm on 20th March, 2019**

Present: Cllrs C Sandall, S Ingram, K Morgan, W Brick, D Hodges, N Monk, P Denbeigh, B Davies, D Swain, M Painter, N Hyde

In Attendance: Clerk, Mrs Karen Yates, Cllr J Stone, 5 members of the public.

Mr M Painter chaired the meeting.

1 Apologies: L Wilson, R Barber.

Condolences have been sent to Cllr Barber following the death of his wife, Shirley.

2 Declarations of Interest/written dispensation

3 Open session:

3.1 County Councillors Report.

Cllr Stone advised of a 4.9% increase to Herefordshire Council's budget, 2% ring-fenced for adult social care. Extra funding is also in place for early years, children's centres, existing bus services, community car schemes and drainage works. The recent litter pick yielded 20 bags which have been collected by Balfour Beatty, thanks to all involved. Leominster library is being refurbished and will close from 25th March until 6th April. Leominster's Neighbourhood Development Plan has been approved.

3.2 Local residents views

4 Minutes: Minutes of the meeting held on 20/2/19 were approved.

5 Correspondence:

5.1 Correspondence for information: Noted.

5.2 Brimfield Village Hall representatives – N Hyde agreed to represent to Parish Council on the Committee.

6 Finance

6.1 Clerks salary March £362.52 and expenses £45.88 - agreed.

6.2 NI contributions payable to HMRC - £9.85.

6.3 Replacement perspex fees for noticeboard - £47.58 – payable to D Swain.

6.4 SID base installation fee - £424.80. Agreed.

6.5 HALC subscription 2019-2020 - £746.05. Agreed.

6.6 Anti-virus software due – 17/4/19. Norton renewal cost - £64.99. It was proposed to change to McAfee, proposed fee - £15. Agreed.

6.7 Mobile phone SIM renewal. Due to minimal use, EE have deleted our phone number. Another SIM can be obtained and topped up as and when required. It was agreed to proceed and ensure enough use to keep the number active.

7 Highways

7.1 Lengthsman Scheme. Account for February £192. Agreed.

7.2 Speed Indicator Device (SID). Base installation agreed for w/c 29th April.

7.3 Requests to landowners to cut back overgrown hedges/fences.

Brimfield Hall – Locality Steward has been assured that the trees are being inspected soon. He has confirmed that no hedge cutting can take place now as it is bird nesting season. Hedges at Ledwyche Springs as well as trees highlighted at the litter pick to be discussed at a parish tour. Hedges at The Forge it was thought have been cut.

It was suggested that informational items like this and the litter pick that go into Grapevine could be advertised on the village Facebook sites, to be placed on the next agenda for discussion.

7.4 Footpath queries raised around Brimfield have been passed to our Lengthsman for consideration. Half on the list have been completed.

7.5 Litter pick – 9/3/19. 20 bags were collected by 8 pickers. Thanks to all involved.

7.6 Complaint of hens on A456 at Gosford. This falls outside of our parish and will be forwarded to the correct parish clerk for information.

8 Planning

8.1 The following planning application had been received:

190693 Willow Cottage, Dirty Middleton, LH.

Proposed two storey extension and erection of detached garage. No objections.

8.2 There were no determinations.

8.3 Planning applications determined under delegated powers.

190232 Willow Tree Barn, Church Rd, Brimfield. Proposed garden and general purpose room extension.

No objections.

8.4 Highways England(HE) – A report is awaited from HE.

9 **Brimfield & Little Hereford Flood Group.** AGM 26/2/19. River monitoring has started and a catchment plan is being compiled. 5.6 acres of land has been covered so far in the catchment area including Orleton and Richards Castle. Free soil tests are available for landowners and monthly updates continue.

10 **Elections.** Nominations have to be delivered in person at Hereford Town Hall on 3rd April by 4pm.

11 **To raise matters for next scheduled meeting.** 17th April 2019, 7.30pm at Brimfield.

A list of issues to be passed to PCSO Steph Harper for the next meeting.

The Clerk and Cllr Sandall to attend a meeting on 3rd April with the Neighbourhood Development Team at Hereford to discuss the impact of not having a 5 year land supply document in place on policies within our plan. The landowner at Tenbury Rd to be contacted to request an update on development at this site.

The meeting closed at 8.24pm.

Signed

Date

Chairman
