

**The Minutes of Brimfield & Little Hereford Group Parish Council meeting
held at Little Hereford Parish Hall at 7.30pm on 16th June, 2021**

Present: Cllrs M Painter, N Monk, D Edwards, D Pound, W Brick, B Davies, D Hodges, L Hyde
In Attendance: Clerk, Mrs Karen Yates.
Mr N Monk chaired the meeting.

1 **Apologies:** R Barber, D Arbuthnott, P Denbeigh, N Hyde, K Morgan, Cllr J Stone.

2 **Declarations of Interest/requests for written dispensations**

3 **Open session:**

3.1 **County Councillors Report.**

Cllr Stone circulated his report to all members. Concerns were raised regarding visibility at Salwey junction turning towards Leominster with the long grass, it was further mentioned that grass cutting is taking place.

3.2 **Local residents views.**

Concerns had been received regarding the state of Temeside Inn, there is little that can be done unless it becomes dangerous or an environmental health hazard.

4 **Minutes:** Minutes of the meeting held on 19/5/21 were approved.

5 **Finance**

5.1 Clerks salary-June-£408.22 and expenses £58.34. Agreed.

5.2 It was proposed by D Hodges, seconded by B Davies to approve the annual governance statement for 2020-2021, agreed

5.3 It was proposed by D Hodges, seconded by B Davies to approve the accounting statements for 2020-2021, all agreed.

5.4 It was proposed by D Hodges, seconded by B Davies to approve the certificate of exemption for 2020-2021, all agreed.

The internal auditor advised that for a second year Orleton Pre-school had not confirmed receipt of the grant sent, the Clerk had asked further but received no reply. He suggested the grant for next year be reviewed.

5.5 It was proposed by D Hodges, seconded by B Davies to approve the asset register and risk assessment for 2020-2021, all agreed.

5.6 Orphans Press annual website hosting - £180. Agreed.

6 **Highways**

6.1 Lengthsman Scheme. Account for May-£252. Agreed. The majority of drainage and highway issues raised at the recent parish tour have been reported and fixed. BF1 has been closed for safety, loose planks across Little Hereford bridge are being looked at, blocked culverts in Bedlam require camera investigation. School Lane drains have been jetted but this has failed and is being looked at again, an ecological study into the badgers is being carried out.

Church Road at Little Hereford is in a poor state of repair, this will be chased up and funding has been given.

6.2 A49/School Lane additional HGV sign – Cllr Stone advised that HE have stated that HCC need to approach them with a TRO order for the sign. It was agreed to contact both raising our concerns.

6.3 Signs for litter/dog fouling-permission to site. Signs for Tenbury Road layby, Westbrook/Lynch Lane junction outside The Old Toll House in Brimfield have been requested.

6.4 To consider purchase of another dog bin. It was agreed a further dog bin is required in Brimfield, to be situated outside The Roebuck. The Clerk to progress an application and acquire quotes.

6.5 Overhanging hedgerows in Brimfield – concerns were raised about various overgrown hedges from the Church through to Wyson Lane and pavements not able to be used. Letters to be sent to residents.

6.6 White lining re-painting through Brimfield – a request to be submitted to Balfour Beatty to re-paint faded white lines.

Planning

7.1 The following planning application had been received:

211697 The Paddocks, School Bank, Brimfield. Proposed single storey side extension with balcony above, covered link to existing garage, partial garage conversion, insertion of window to rear of garage.

No objections.

7.2 Planning Determinations – none.

7.3 Planning applications determined under delegated powers. None.

7.4 S106 wish list. Planning at Hereford keep a S106 contributions list on behalf of parishes stating future infrastructure needs. It was agreed to respond stating road safety, flood alleviation and education are the main concerns.

7.5 Highways England(HE) – Cllr Parry is still chasing our request.

Concerns were raised about the speed, noise and overtaking of motorbikes along the A49. It was agreed to contact the local police team in the first instance to request support and advice.

8 **Brimfield Memorial Garden.** A planting scheme is required by Highways prior to any licence being issued.

9 **Flood Group.** A meeting with EA and BB representatives is being held on 21st June at 10am at Teme Bridge to discuss flooding at Little Hereford.

The Chairman, Clerk and Lengthsman attended the recent flood group meeting. The group are becoming increasingly disillusioned with the lack of progress, no permission has been given to clear silt from the road bridge. It was agreed at that meeting to bring it back to this meeting and contact J Hockenhall to make him aware of the groups feelings. As he may be at the meeting on Monday, it was agreed to discuss this with him then. P Clements and J Stone to also attend the meeting.

10 **Vacancy for a Brimfield Councillor.** Notice dated 30th June, after which we can co-opt.

The Clerk had delivered flowers to Sheila Ingram as previously agreed following her resignation, she was pleasantly surprised and sent her thanks to all of us.

11 **The Queen’s Green Canopy** – Plant a tree for the Platinum Jubilee. Trees are available to groups to encourage everyone to plant trees to help the environment. It was agreed to request two trees, locations to be decided.

12 **PCC Parish Council Survey** – It was agreed to complete and return this survey from the Police & Crime Commissioner.

13 **Parliamentary Boundary Review.** Minor changes in Hereford Town wards are being proposed, our wards are not affected.

14 **To raise matters for next scheduled meeting.** 21st July, 2021 at Brimfield.

The meeting closed at 20.45pm.

Signed Date Chairman