

Lydbury North Parish Council

Meeting of the Parish Council
Held Tuesday 12 December 2013 - 7.30pm at Lydbury English Centre

MINUTES

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| | <p>Public open session: Julie and Dave Lockhurst and Simon Cooter from Brockton spoke to the Parish Council with regards to the SAMDev. They expressed the desire that Brockton should remain as open countryside rather than become a cluster under SAMDev. Any development should be the conversion of existing buildings and affordable housing for local need. RP thanked them for their contribution which would be addressed within the agenda.</p> | |
| 14.95 | <p>Members present: Cllrs Plowden (Chair), Baker, Beaumont, Bowen, Ellis, Evans, May and Woosnam Roberts Also present Andy Boak (Clerk), Mathew Mead, Charlotte Barnes</p> | |
| 14.96 | <p>Apologies for absence: None</p> | |
| 14.97 | <p>Declarations of interest: JWR in relation to SAMDev and proposal for development within Brockton of land owned by her father</p> | |
| 14.98 | <p>Minutes of last meeting: The minutes of the ordinary meeting held on the 12th November 2013 were accepted as a true record by all and signed by the Chair.</p> | |
| 14.99 | <p>Matters arising: RB asked about progress with street lighting conversions and the continuing issue of the light not being on in Church Close</p> | |
| 14.100 | <p>Councillor vacancies: A) RP to contact Dominic Wood regarding attendance at the next full meeting of the Council to determine his interest in co-option</p> | RP |
| 14.101 | <p>Planning: A) Neighbourhood plan</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) MM updated Cllrs on progress with SAMDev explaining that until SAMDev is formally adopted in early 2015, following central government approval, planning applications could appeal against SAMDev based decisions on the basis that the National Planning Policy Framework still stands until that time. Shropshire Council has written to the government expressing their concern that this approach was not in the spirit of localism. MM suggested that whilst Parish Councils' should robustly defend SAMDev based decisions this would unlikely to be an issue locally due to the relationship with landowners 2) GM reported that a public meeting was held in Brockton on the 5/12/13 to discuss the SAMDev proposals for the village. 22 attended. Some residents said they would be happy to allow some development in Brockton, i.e. barn conversions and new builds (affordable housing). Concern that even as a cluster planning applications proposing what would be felt to be undesirable development could still be submitted and residents were aware of 3 possible sites which could of lead to a large amount of properties. All attendees were in favour of Brockton remaining as open countryside. GM commented that a significant proportion of attendees had partners who agreed. GM also reported that residents would like some modifications to the questionnaire if this was to go ahead and that all those eligible to vote should receive a questionnaire as previous surveys had only be allocated on a 1 per household basis. MM stated that 52 residents were eligible to | |

