

# Lydbury North Parish Council

Meeting of the Parish Council  
Held Tuesday 10 January 2017 – 7.30pm at Lydbury North Village Hall

## MINUTES

		ACTION
17.097	<b>Members present:</b> Cllrs Plowden (Chair), Baker, Beaumont, Bowen, Ellis, Evans, Jones, May, Woosnam Roberts <b>Also present:</b> Andy Boak (Clerk), <a href="#">Sven Jänicke</a>	
17.098	<b>Members absent:</b> Unitary Cllr Keeley	
17.099	<b>Apologies for absence:</b> None	
17.100	<b>Declarations of interest:</b> None	
17.101	<b>Minutes of last meeting:</b> Pending amendments to be made the minutes of the meeting held on 22 <sup>nd</sup> November 2016 were carried forward to the next meeting.	
17.102	<b>Matters arising</b> Ref item 17.095/6 Clerk asked to investigate whether the playing field could be registered as a community asset and express interest in purchasing to ensure it remains as green space and therefore an asset for the whole community	<b>AB</b>
17.103	<b>Planning and Housing Matters</b> 1. Planning application 16/05176/FUL Acton Nurseries, Acton, Bishops Castle, Shropshire, SY9 5LA: Change of use of land for the siting of a holiday unit (to comply with the legal definition of a caravan) to be used as tourist accommodation. Cllrs noted and accepted comments approved by planning committee and forwarded to Shropshire Council. 2. Cllrs considered applications for strong local connection in respect of vacant Social Housing on Habershon Close and agreed that only Griffiths met the criteria. Shropshire Housing Association to be notified 3. Cllrs noted the discrepancy between the criteria for seeking a strong local connection as established between the Poors Estate and Bromford Housing in 1993 and that previously made available through Shropshire Council and whilst this could make it more difficult for prospective tenants to show a strong local connection the Parish Council could not justify the legal costs of changing such an agreement.	<b>AB</b>
17.104	<b>Reports</b> <b>Dorothy Hunt Investment Trust</b> – Cllrs received and noted the income generated by the Dorothy Hunt Investment Trust for November = £539.29 and December = £968.91 and the comparable amounts for 2014/15: Nov £372.75/£375.66; Dec £712.97/£376.58 respectively. <b>School</b> – Cllr Woosnam Roberts reported that the school had purchased a bench with the support of Lydbury North Education and Welfare Fund. The school has advertised for two nursery lunchtime supervisors. Cllrs commented on the need to know the numbers of children at the school on a regular basis in order to have an early warning of potential issues.	<b>AB</b>
17.105	<b>Highways</b> The following reports on highway maintenance were received: 1. Cllr May reported that the potholes in Acton and below Lower Down had not been filled. Clerk to pursue. 2. Cllrs noted that the siting of a mirror at Five Turnings had been agreed with Shropshire Council. 3. Cllrs received an update on the replacement of existing lamps with LEDs and part night cells to those not already upgraded. Further to quotes for EON, Highline Electrical of Oswestry will tender. The Clerk was asked to query why speed enforcement signs could not be attached to concrete posts. 4. Blocked gulleys on the A488 at Acton; A489 at the turning to Asterton and at Folly Farm, Totterton. reported 5. Continuing erosion on Castle Bank reported.	<b>AB</b>     <b>AB</b>

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17.107	<p><b>Finance and Bills to pay</b></p> <p>1. Cllrs approved the following payments from the Community Account</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Wages for Clerk January - £368.58 gross</li> <li>ii. Reimbursement of Clerk for audit postage - £8.13</li> <li>iii. LNVH for hire of meeting room and hall (AGM) 2017, includes refund for cancelled meeting in Feb 2016 - £309.00</li> </ul> <p>(b) Cllrs approved the following payments from the New Hall Account</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Investment income - £1508.20</li> </ul> <p>2. Cllrs approved the quarterly finance report noting the need for invoices to be presented for signature at Council meetings. It was also recognised that internet banking posed increased risks and the introduction of additional internal controls would help to address this.</p> <p>3. Cllr Ellis proposed that the precept for 2017/18 be set at the same level as 2016/17, £10946. Seconded Cllr Bowen, all agreed.</p>	<b>DB/JB/AB</b>																																				
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17.109	<p><b>Correspondence</b></p> <p>1. Cllrs received the Shropshire Council Bus Strategy consultation. To raise awareness in Parish Post and include on website</p> <p>2. Cllrs received a request to light a beacon to commemorate the end of WW1 in 2018. The Parish Council declined the request.</p> <p>3. Cllrs received a request for support from KOSHA on behalf of Shropshire Regimental Museum. Cllrs declined the request, but suggested that anyone wishing to contribute on an individual basis would be welcome to do so.</p>	<b>AB</b>																																				
17.110	Date of next meeting agreed as 14 <sup>th</sup> February 2017 to be held in the village hall meeting room starting at 1930hrs.																																					

Signed

Chairman

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