

Lydbury North Parish Council

Meeting of the Parish Council
Held Tuesday 23 April 2013 - At 7.30pm Plowden Hall Barn

MINUTES

		ACTION
14.00	<p>Members present: Cllrs Plowden (Chair), Bowen, Beaumond and Ellis</p> <p>Also present Charlotte Barnes (County Cllr), Mathew Mead (Community Action Officer), Liam Cowden (Senior Policy Officer Shropshire Council), Andy Boak (Clerk). RP welcomed Godfrey May who has been nominated as a Councillor for the Parish Council.</p>	
14.01	Apologies for absence: R Evans	
14.02	<p>Declarations of interest: RP – In relation to potential development sites as landowner; RB in respect of contracting work on the Village Hall; GE in respect of potential development sites as member of Community Land Trust (property development)</p>	
14.03	<p>Minutes of last meeting: Further to the following amendments the minutes of the meeting held on 19th March 2013 were accepted as a true record by all and signed by the Chair: Meeting held at Brockton Chapel and not Lydbury North Village Hall Minute 13.81 should read 13.96</p>	
14.04	<p>Matters arising: 1. Cancellation of audit training noted</p>	
14.05	<p>Councillor vacancies and elections:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Nominations for election, notice of uncontested election and shortfall in candidates noted. Present councillors all retire four days after the day of the election (7th May) and the new council comes into office on that day. Process for co-option noted – This cannot take place until after 2nd May and to be completed within 35 days otherwise Shropshire Council can exercise its powers to hold a further election or take whatever action it feels appropriate to fill vacancies. Public notification of co-opted vacancies is not a requirement. Cllrs agreed to continue to pursue interest in standing for election from other residents of the parish 	All
14.06	<p>Flooding: Whilst awaiting a decision from Clunbury PC regarding the investigation of the Kemp it was agreed that the Clerk contact landowners bordering the Kemp to seek permission for access.</p>	AB
14.07	<p>Street lights: Following the renewal of the outstanding 3 street lights fitted with LEDs and part-night cells it was agreed that the views of the public should be ascertained at the AGM before pursuing converting all lights to LED and part-night cells and replacing the light outside Plas Edva (total cost including VAT £5040.66)</p>	For AGM
14.08	<p>Traffic/Highways: With regards to concerns over maintenance of highways everyone was asked to identify and report any issues within the parish boundary to the Clerk. Agreed that this matter should also be included within the next Parish Newsletter.</p>	AB
14.09	<p>Planning: Neighbourhood plan</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> LC reported on the technical and judgemental assessment of proposed sites for 	

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	<p>development in Lydbury North. It was agreed that those sites deemed unsuitable for development, namely LYD003/004/006/012 and 013 should be withdrawn and sites LYD001/002/005/007/008/009/010 and 011 taken forward for further public consultation. It was agreed that site LYD 010 should be reduced in size due to the potential risks caused by a spring running across part of this site and the public consulted on the grouping of sites LYD007/008/009 that could have potential for both housing and employment development. LC agreed to produce an updated plan for presentation at the AGM, and a questionnaire to be posted to all electors and drop-in session.</p> <p>2. Brockton meeting</p> <p>Planning applications:</p> <p>1. 13/00991/LBC Site visit to Walcot Hall regarding the erection of extension to existing ballroom affecting a Grade II Star Listed Building. The Parish Council agreed to support the application following the recommendation of the planning group with the caveat that new walls match that of existing main structure.</p>	MM/LC
14.10	<p>Reports:</p> <p>New Hall project</p> <p>1. GE/Clerk reported on progress to date. Big Lottery stage 3 bid has been submitted. Parish Council has received £300k into its New Hall Business Manager account. VHMC have requested a copy of the accounts if required for the Big Lottery and that the PC pursues MedlicottSnows for the remainder of the bequest from Miss Dorothy Hunt's estate amounting to £200,000</p> <p>2. It was also noted that a notice to adjoining owner of a proposed registration for the land on the north east side of LNVH has been received from the Land Registry. If no objections received before 12 noon on 18/4/13 registration of the land will proceed.</p> <p>County Councillor CB thanked the PC for being innovative.</p> <p>School Nothing to report</p>	AB
14.11	<p>Finance and bills to pay:</p> <p>1. The following transactions were approved:</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">a. From Community Account</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">i. Edgton Village Hall room hire - £22.50</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">ii. Edgton Village Hall room hire damage waiver - £100.00</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">iii. Enterprise South West Shropshire printing and photocopying - £24.14</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">iv. RHM Beaumond for street light repairs - £465.36</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">v. Payment of wages for April - D Birch £60.67 Gross; A Boak £320.77 Gross</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">b. From Big Lottery Development fund held in the New Hall Community Account</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">i. RJT Consulting Engineers for professional fees - £1124.45</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">ii. Bowen Consultants Ltd for Quantity surveying/CDM Coordination outstanding amount of £47.28 plus Project Management costs £469.63 – total £516.91</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">iii. R Pidduck for Professional fees £2413.62 plus £492.00 – total £2905.62</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">iv. To note payment of interest on PWLB loan of £56.18</p> <p>2. Correspondance from NPower freezing electricity rates until July 2013 noted.</p> <p>3. Request for financial support from Shropshire Rural Community Council as either a member £26.00/year and/or donation declined.</p> <p>4. Deposit of £9931 into Parish Council Business Manager account representing the precept paid by Shropshire Council noted.</p>	

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	5. Agreed that the Parish Council should maintain the PWLB loan pending the outcome of the Lottery bid. 6. Agreed that the financial investment committee should meet Friday 10 th May at 1800 Plowden Hall Barn to consider the investment of the £200k portion of the bequest from Miss Dorothy Hunt for maintenance of the new hall.	AB/MM
14.12	Correspondence: None received	
14.13	Date of next meeting - Date and time of AGM agreed as 8 th May 2013 1930 to be held at Edgton Village Hall if available.	AB

Signed Chairman Date