

Lydbury North Parish Council

Meeting of the Parish Council
Held Tuesday 11 February 2014 - 7.30pm at Lydbury English Centre

MINUTES

		ACTION
	<p>Public open session: Bryan Jones attended and wished to thank, through the Parish Council, Plowden Farm Estates for the work carried out at Church Close to clear gullies and clear the earth and mud left by a landslip. Mr Jones also informed the Parish Council that the light in Church Close had not worked since being installed. Mr Jones also wished to make the Parish Council aware that the Orange mobile signal strength for SY7 had been reduced. Charlotte Barnes was able to say that following similar experiences elsewhere the most effective action was for people affected to complain en masse and each person to ask for a reference number for the complaint in order to escalate the issue with the mobile provider. CB also offered to seek the support of the assembly member, Kirsty Williams.</p>	CB
14.124	<p>Members present: Cllrs Plowden (Chair), Bowen, Ellis, May and Woosnam Roberts Also present Andy Boak (Clerk), Charlotte Barnes</p>	
14.125	<p>Apologies for absence: Cllr Evans, Baker, Beaumont, Mathew Mead and Liam Cowden</p>	
14.126	<p>Declarations of interest: RP declared interests relating to planning as landowner and trustee of the Poors Estate; JB declared interests as trustee of the Poors Estate and JWR declared interest in relation to flooding in Brockton</p>	
14.127	<p>Minutes of last meeting: The minutes of the meeting held on 15th January 2014 were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chair. The minutes of the extraordinary meeting held on 27th January 2014 were deferred until the next meeting for RB to sign.</p>	Action next mtg
14.128	<p>Matters arising: None</p>	
14.129	<p>Councillor vacancies: No interest has been shown. Cllr Evans had expressed concern about his recent none attendance due to workload and in valuing his previous contribution Cllrs were happy to accept his apologies.</p>	
14.130	<p>Planning: A) Neighbourhood plan RP referred to the email received from Liam Cowden on 10/2/14 in which he offered to explain the local policy further during the SAMDev Final Plan consultation commencing 14th March 2014 and suggested postponing the planned Parish Council meeting until after that date. At this point RP, in declaring his interest as a landowner, absented himself from the meeting. Cllrs considered the local policy prepared by Liam Cowden for presentation to cabinet at Shropshire Council and agreed that a further meeting should be held to with Liam in attendance in order to address inconsistencies between decisions made by the Parish Council and the content of the local policy. Clerk to contact LC and arrange an additional meeting at the earliest opportunity and before the due date for submission of the policy to cabinet. RP rejoined the meeting</p>	AB
14.131	<p>Reports A) New Hall Formal handover of new hall from contractors to the Village Hall Management Committee due to take place on Friday 14/2/14. Issue of flood water on site and in neighbouring gardens. Contractors have installed a concrete sump and</p>	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> b. With regards to the reporting of potholes it was felt that it would be useful to have a contact number at Shropshire Council for reporting printed in the community newsletter. Clerk to notify JB. Clerk also asked to report continuing problems with potholes near Acton View. c. EON have been contacted to remind them of the work to be done. They are issuing a new contract. The light at Church Close will be repaired/replaced at the same time 	AB
14.135	Street cleaning: It was noted that there was a risk to flooding due to discarded waste accumulating in ditches/drains/streams and also that rubbish gets blown out of overfilled wheelie bins.	
14.136	Website: An offer to host a new site has been made by Enterprise House and Duncan Baker. As the latter is a Cllr. advice from SALC has been sought relating to remuneration under the code of conduct. In the meantime the Clerk will contact Shona Bluhm to access the existing site in order to update information.	AB
14.137	Big Lunch event: The Parish council agreed that responsibility for holding any such event lay with the Village Hall Management Committee. It was recognised that such an event could be combined with activities to celebrate the contribution of Dorothy Hunt to the building of the new hall.	
14.138	Emergency Planning: Approval given for Clerk to attend training for emergency planning	
14.139	Finance and Bills to pay: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. The following payments from Community Account were approved <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Wages for February D Birch £60.67 Gross; A Boak £332.49 Gross ii. NPower street lighting - £155.78 iii. HMRC PAYE - £235.60 b. To following payments on New Hall from Big Lottery/Bequest funds were approved <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Bowen Consultants professional fees - £1665.58 ii. R Pidduck professional fees - £1248.38 iii. RJT Consulting professional fees - £1479.91 iv. S J Roberts Construction fees - £59049.90 v. S J Roberts Construction fees for photovoltaics - £8950.92 vi. Lydbury North Village Hall capital fees - £49.00 vii. Lydbury North Village Hall revenue fees - £190.29 	
14.140	Dates of meetings: The following dates were agreed/confirmed for future meetings: 15/4; 6/5 (AGM); 15/7; 9/9; 14/10; 25/11	
14.141	Date of next meeting 11 th March 2014	

Signed Chairman Date