

Lydbury North Parish Council

Extraordinary Meeting of the Parish Council
Held Tuesday 18th March 2014 - 7.30pm at Lydbury English Centre

MINUTES

		ACTION
14.146	<p>Members present: Cllrs Plowden (Chair), Beaumont, Bowen, Ellis, May and Woosnam Roberts Also present Andy Boak (Clerk), Charlotte Barnes, Liam Cowden, Mathew Mead and Rebecca Underdown</p>	
14.147	<p>Apologies for absence: None</p>	
14.148	<p>Declarations of interest: Cllr Plowden as landowner of potential development sites; Cllrs Plowden, Beaumont and Bowen as Trustees of the Poors Estate; and Cllr Woosnam Roberts as daughter of landowner at Acton Bank Farm</p>	
14.149	<p>Minutes of last meeting: The minutes of the meeting held on 11th February 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 to the next meeting to allow for additional information to be inserted on the numbers and type of housing allocated to each development site.</p>	AB and next mtg
14.150	<p>Matters arising: re minute 14.131 C) The Clerk spoke with a Bishop's Castle Cllr seeking consultation re the town plan who agreed that it would be useful to establish links supporting the place plan.</p>	
14.151	<p>Councillor vacancies: Cllrs received the resignation of Mr Duncan Baker and thanked him for his contribution during the period of his co-option. No expressions of interest have been received. Cllrs agreed that attention should be drawn to vacancies in the newsletter and at the AGM.</p>	AB
14.152	<p>Planning: SAMDev LC provided Cllrs with a redrafted policy for housing development in Lydbury North following representations from the Parish Council following the meeting held between Cllrs and LC on the 18th February 2014. This policy was approved as an advisory position by Shropshire Council at Cabinet including the local member Cllr Charlotte Barnes and by the full Council for the Parish Council to comment on via the 6 week formal consultation process running until 28th April 2014. LC commented that the strategy meets the requirements of the process, and expressed concern regarding the exclusion of windfall development from the policy, but that such an approach was defensible as it could result in a reduced the number of windfall planning applications. LC informed the Council that a technical background paper that outlines the consultation process that has taken place. Any comments about the process should focus on whether the plan has been positively prepared, is justifiable, effective and consistent with national policy. LC suggested the relevant papers were circulated for discussion at the next Parish Council meeting. Cllrs agree that the community newsletter contained reference to the consultation. RP raised the issue of sewage treatment in relation to the status of the River Clun as a habitat for the freshwater pearl mussel and the potential impact on development. LC said that Shropshire Council had allowed development for less than 10 properties/site where there are environmentally sensitive sites. Reference was also made to the lack of phosphate stripping at the Lydbury North treatment plant and the potential changes to phosphate level requirements in the River Clun.</p> <p>CIL JWR/GE reported that this event referred to Government policy to exempt self build from CIL. The consequence of this policy is that developers could deliver self-build housing developments sub-contracted to the developer or their building contractor in</p>	AB AB

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	Clerk was asked to contact Jolly Pages regarding the development of a new site	AB																		
14.158	Local Services and Volunteering - Cllrs agreed that this is raised through the AGM.																			
14.159	Emergency Planning Clerk reported on event attended. A small number of Town and Parish Councils have produced emergency plans supported by Shropshire Council's Emergency Planning Team. The Emergency Planning Team are prepared to meetings to look at the process. All the plans produced to date identified the importance and use of local volunteers in such situations.																			
14.160	<p>Finance and Bills to pay</p> <p>a. The following payments from the Community Account were approved</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">i. Wages for March</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">1. David Birch £60.67 gross</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">2. Andy Boak £332.49 gross</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">3. Lydbury English Centre room hire and photocopying - £172.00</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">4. VHMC for hire of new hall for Monday mornings and parish council meetings up to 31/12/14 - £645.00</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">ii. Brockton Church Hall £90 for hire on various occasions as part of SAMDev to be taken from Vanguard funds</p> <p>b. The following payments on New Hall from the Big Lottery/Bequest were approved</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; margin-left: 40px; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 40%;">Sico Europe Ltd</td> <td style="width: 30%;">Fixtures and fittings</td> <td style="width: 30%; text-align: right;">£ 1,932.90</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Topline Contract Furniture</td> <td>Fixtures and fittings</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£ 19.80</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Stage Electrics</td> <td>Fixtures and fittings</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£ 1,144.03</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Topline Contract Furniture</td> <td>Fixtures and fittings</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£ 19.80</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Topline Contract Furniture</td> <td>Fixtures and fittings</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£ 1,814.70</td> </tr> <tr> <td>T Weaver</td> <td>Fixtures and fittings</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£ 3,851.60</td> </tr> </table> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">iii. Approval for payment to VHMC of interest accrued from investment of all bequest funds to date - £242.11</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">iv. Cllrs approved Diane Malley as the internal auditor at a cost of £85</p>	Sico Europe Ltd	Fixtures and fittings	£ 1,932.90	Topline Contract Furniture	Fixtures and fittings	£ 19.80	Stage Electrics	Fixtures and fittings	£ 1,144.03	Topline Contract Furniture	Fixtures and fittings	£ 19.80	Topline Contract Furniture	Fixtures and fittings	£ 1,814.70	T Weaver	Fixtures and fittings	£ 3,851.60	
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14.161	AGM Cllrs agreed that emergency planning could be the focus for the AGM and may also provide the opportunity to engender interest in volunteering to provide support in emergencies. In order to engender interest the presentation should draw attention to emergency planning for flooding events. Clerk to contact Emergency Planning Team	AB																		
14.162	Communications	AB																		
	<p>1. Cllrs agreed that the Parish Council should support a request to support a bid for funding to Shropshire Local Sustainable Transport Fund to promote the use of sustainable transport. Clerk to notify</p> <p>2. Cllrs received an invitation to attend a meeting hosted by CPRE and Shropshire Wildlife Trust to be held on 3/4/14 at Lord Hill Hotel, Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury on the impact of national and county planning policies on communities, landscape and wildlife in Shropshire</p>																			
14.163	AOB Cllr Evans raised concerns regarding the incidence of TB and potential for transmission to humans. Cllrs agreed that information on the incidence of TB locally should be obtained from DEFA using, if necessary, a freedom of information request.	AB																		
14.164	<p>1. Cllrs agreed to change the date for the meeting arranged for 10/6/14 to 17/6/14 and the date of AGM to 20/5/14.</p> <p>2. Date of next meeting confirmed as 15/04/14</p>																			

Signed Chairman Date