

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING OF MONDAY 13th MAY 2019

Present:

- Mr S Edwards (Chairman)
- Mr P Owen (Vice Chairman)
- Mr P Rogers-Coltman
- Mr M Unwin
- Mrs K Hughes
- Mr T Betton
- Mr T Jones
- Mrs Lesley Thomas (clerk)

In Attendance:

- Les Ball (left after 4i)

1. Apologies:

- OG

2. Minutes of: General Meeting 11.3.19

Resolved

3. Declarations of Interest:

- PR-C Under 6iiii

4. Matters Arising:

- Les Ball was in attendance to give an update on Norbury School's classroom expansion programme. The school has in mind 2 Tender Contractors who are not on the SC list of Preferred Contractors but who can complete the work by end Aug for a lot less money. The school has also lease-hired 2 minibuses for a 3yr period to enable considerable cost saving by employing their own drivers.
- Npower Accounts – LT has contacted the Ombudsman by email but has to re-submit the complaint on their website.
- BT Kiosk, Ratlinghope. A request was made to SC to remove the kiosk on 21.3.19 following a report that the kiosk was no longer operational. The kiosk has since been inspected by an engineer and has not been decommissioned. However, no calls have been made from this one or the kiosk at Asterton during the last 12 mths. BT will be conducting a further nationwide consultation on proposals for kiosk removals, likely to be late spring. SC's Rural & Equalities Officer Lois Dale has recommended that the PC request the removal of the Ratlinghope kiosk during this time. **Resolved**
- Precept £4,609 Received by Bacs 25.4.19. There is no Neighbourhood Fund credit payable.
- No further Highway Maintenance Grant forthcoming- **Agreed:** To budget £1000 which includes all Hedgecutting. This will be reviewed at the next Annual Meeting.
- Potholes reported
- WPL Rental Calculation: Discussed & Agreed to charge the long term tenants a basic rent of £750 for an 11-month tenancy. **Action:** LT to contact the tenants

5. Finance:

Statement of Funds at 10/4/19: Community Acc-£7,527.98 B/P Acc-£2664.97 (+£1.33 Interest)

Out of this, £287.88 remains in the Norbury Walls (maintenance/repairs) Fund. £300 De-fib Budget. NF

Available: £1,285.77 & a remaining balance of £75.44 from the L.O.T.E Grant.

- LT has completed the re-declaration of compliance to the Pensions Regulator confirming she is the only employee. SE has been updated as Chairman.

(a) Donation/NF Grant Requests:

- Ann Gibbons-Request for approx. £350 for painting Norbury Kiosk. The item was discussed. The clerk stated that it was reported on 16.7.18 that there was £1,005.33 in a fund for the kiosk renovation. **Denied. Action:** SE to speak to Mrs Gibbons

(b) Standing Orders & D/D's for Payment:

- L.Thomas-£180, 1.4.19 SO
- Npower Acc 1- (1.1.19-31.3.19 18) £162.52 DD 23.4.19
- Npower Acc 2- (1.1.19-31.3.19) £95.80 DD 23.4.19
- L Thomas-£180, 1.5.19 SO

(c) Cheques for Approval/Payment:

- BHIB Local Council Ins Renewal-£333.45 (100787)
- VH Hire 7x £15 = £105 (100788)
- Numbers Plus Ltd (De-fib Budget, R'hope area annual subscription fee for the call out facility to enable Ambulance control to activate the de-fib)- £118.80 (100789)
- A Goff/Internal Audit-£40 (100790)

6. Housing & Building Control:

The SAMDev has now been formerly adopted by SC and replaces all the previously saved Policies of the Local

Plan.

Applications Recently Received/Approved: **Bold** type to be read as updates

- 19/01819/F-Erection of a timber framed carport @ Brook House, Prolley Moor, Wentnor. Discussed. **Action:** LT to submit No Objection
- 19/01811/F-Erection of single storey rear extension @ Holly Cottage, Prolley Moor. Discussed. **Action:** LT to submit No Objection
- Public Path Diversion Order, Footpath 15 (part) Norbury. Notice Displayed
- 19/01723/F-Erection of loading bay/cold store to rear of existing building @ Willogame, Shuttocks Wood, Norbury. Discussed. **Action:** LT to submit No Objection
- 19/01043/LBC-Internal works to reposition partitions & doors between existing to provide x2 modern bathrooms @ The Old Shop, Wentnor. **No Objection submitted 17.4.19**
- 19/01121/F-Conversion of attached garage into annex accommodation ancillary to the dwelling @ Heather View, Asterton. **No Objection submitted 13.3.19 LPA:2.5.19**
- 19/00864/F-Erection of an Ag' building for livestock @ Brow Fm, Norbury. **No Objection submitted 13.3.19**
- 18/05701/F-Installation of ground mounted solar pv array on land adjacent to Black & White Cot, Asterton. No Objection comments submitted 8.1.19. **LPA: 1.4.19**
- 18/05609/F-Erection of replacement dwelling, alterations to existing access, associated landscaping works @ The Hawthorns, Prolley Moor. No Objection with comments submitted 8.1.19. **Re-consultation to amended plans received 10.4.19. No Objection submitted 17.4.19**
- 18/03448/F- Erection of Rural Occupational Dwelling to house G/K SW of Pollardine Farm. Objection submitted 22.8.18. Revised Objection submitted 4.9.18. **NDAY**

7. Village Hall:

- The VH recently received a £10k Lottery Fund Grant to install a state-of-the-art projector. KH will check if the councillors details & clerks email address have been updated on their website.

8. Parish Plan & Environment:

- SE & LT attended the BC Area Place Plan meeting on 18.4.19. Place Plans produced by SC identify infrastructure needs in a defined area. These include roads, utilities, flood defences, schools, medical facilities and open spaces. The information is used as part of the Local Plan and ensures infrastructure needs are taken into account when implementing the Strategic Plan for the county as a whole. BC will act as the key centre to achieve balanced housing and employment growth through the provision of approx. 150 dwellings and 2 hectares of employment development between 2016 and 2036. There are a number of cluster settlements inc Norbury & Wentnor for this area. The remaining area will be open countryside with only certain types of development permitted under exception policies. Key Issues raised were: Affordable Housing (to buy) provision, Access to Broadband, Upgrades to wastewater treatment facilities, Upgrades to electricity supply and Highways concerns which include the impact of new development on existing roads. All projects are categorised as Priority A or B or as Neighbourhood Projects. A & B Projects require significant involvement from SC and/or other strategic infrastructure providers. Neighbourhood Projects are likely to be led by the local community. Priority A & B Projects include facilitation of ICT & Broadband technologies, Affordable Housing, Health & Education provision. Neighbourhood Projects include improved leisure/sports facilities, improvement to village halls inc car parks, improved streetlighting & highway (pothole repair) improvements. No schools in the area were causing concern at this time. SC will only provide funding for a school's expansion if it doesn't put others at risk of closure. The AONB (funded by DEFRA) suggest there should be a balance of tourism provision to local interest involvement. Priority A: SC has no direct responsibility to provide improvements to mobile signal & reliability however they are working with various providers to supply fibreoptic broadband to all hinterlands by 2021 and every household by 2023. Housing- It was suggested and agreed by many that S106 Housing provision is never as viable as the applications propose and for a fee, the 106 can be removed at a later date. Similarly Live/Work Units are dated and no longer popular. Affordable Housing to Buy is required. The SC's Community-Led Housing Enabler and the Right Home Right Place initiative will help identify housing need & provide future housing information. Neighbourhood Projects for these parishes: 1) to provide interpretation materials at key points for residents & visitors. We were not sure where this had originated from but asked for it to be removed. 2) to improve access between the school and the village hall. Solution- we reported that a new access gate has been installed which enables the children to spend less time on the highway. 3) We also reported that mobile signal has much improved in the Ratlinghope area due to the installation of a mast.
- L.O.T.E Update: This has been re-named as RSVP (Restoring Shropshire Verges Project). The PC are no longer required as the host for the funding. The project itself will be making applications for further funding from the Lottery, National Trust & departments of SC. OG will be asking that this PC supports

- these developments and encourage any plans that apply to specific verges within these parishes. (N)
- Reduction of Local Bus Service Subsidies Consultation. Reduce the 553 Service from Plox Green to BC Mon-Sat from 5 buses to 2. Discussed. SC consult but take no notice of responses nor are the results published publicly. Despite opposition the recent recycling bins consultation has already resulted in the removal of them in key places. There will be a demonstration at Bishops Castle on Fri 17th May.

9. Roads:

- Road Closure: Four Turnings junction via Moorhouse and Adstone junction 1st-2nd July for Severn Trent works.
- Road Closure- Norbury Village loop road- Newton Jct 3rd July x2 BT poles & same day x1 BT pole

10. Communication:

- N.T.R

11. Correspondence/SC Representative Report:

- N.T.R

12. Other Items:

- Myndtown Parish Meeting: Bank Balances at 19/4/19. Community Acc: £2,000.63 (DD payments made to Water Plus of £19.09 on 25.3.19 & £2.84 on 15.4.19) BMM Acc: £1,088.33
- Kath Miller reported that the gate post & some fencing to the Camp Field have become rotten & fallen down so the field is unusable. A Corfield cannot repair until June. M Owen will provide a Quote.
- The water tank in Sally Mellor's field needs repair. **Agreed**
- 8th July –advanced notice of possible Meeting Date change to 15th July. LT to let councillors know asap

Meeting Dates for 2019:

8th or 15th July, 2nd Sept & 4th Nov.

Closed 9 pm