

Garway Parish Council

Minutes of The Parish Council meeting of Garway Parish Council held in Garway School Hall on Monday 10th October 2016

Councillors Present: Chairman Cllr Tony Phillips, Cllr Craig Hooper, Cllr Chris Strange
Also in attendance: Deputy Clerk Kath Greenow, 2 members of the public

1. Apologies for Absence

1.1 Apologies accepted from Vice – Chairman Cllr Richard Sparey

2. Declarations of Interest & Dispensations

2.1 None declared

3. Minutes

3.1 To approve and sign the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held 12/09/2016

It was **RESOLVED:** to approve and sign the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 12/09/2016

4. To Receive Reports from

4.1 Ward Councillor Mr David Harlow

The Ward Cllrs report was circulated to Cllrs and noted

4.2 P3 Footpaths Officer-

No footpaths officer report

5. Public Question Time

Designated maximum period of 10 minutes to accommodate members of the public who may wish to either raise issues with or ask the Parish Council questions

No matters raised by Parishioners present. A parishioner present informed the PC that the bracken on the lower common had been cut and removed. A parishioner complained about the state of the road at White Rocks which needed attention

6. Village Hall

6.1 To consider appointing a representative from the Parish Council to village hall committee

Deferred to the next meeting

7. Lengthsman & P3

7.1 To consider work to be carried out by Lengthsman

It was **RESOLVED:** that general maintenance work would be carried out by the lengthsman

7.2 Road issues for reporting to Balfour Beatty / Herefordshire Council

The clerk was asked to contact the locality officer concerning the matter raised by a parishioner concerning the condition of the road at White rocks

Update on Skenfrith road flooding issue.

As previously stated the locality officer had had a meeting with the Area Forman for Monmouthshire, who agreed to carry out the works, before winter. He had also spoken to Mr Phil Kemp, who has agreed to permit a pipe across his field subject to Monmouthshire confirming in writing their proposals.

The locality officer had formally registered the issue with Monmouthshire on the system, awaiting further clarification as to when the works will be carried out.

8. To receive a report on children's play area

The Chairman reported that there was a dead tree at the children's play area that needed to be removed.

It was **RESOLVED:** That the Clerk obtained quotes for its removal.

9. To consider speeding issues in the parish

There had been several complaints made concerning speeding in some areas of the parish.

The possibility of having a SID (speed indicator device) was discussed, it was the view of Cllrs that this matter could be looked at as part of the Neighbourhood plan.

10. Highways

10.1 To consider highways issues for reporting to Balfour Beatty locality officer

This agenda item was duplication of item 7.2

11. Finance

11.1 To note Parish Council Bank Balance - **Noted as** £3480.41

11.2 To approve payments to:

It was **RESOLVED** to pay:

Terry Griffiths l/man work carried out. Invoices 1817,1818,1841= £1108.80

Clerks reimbursement postage £5.12

11.3 To consider a donation to OWL Good Neighbour Scheme

It was **RESOLVED** to: donate £100.00 to the OWL Scheme

11.4 To note BACs remittance of 2nd precept payment 2016/17 £5287.00 **Noted**

11.5 To receive an update on a defibrillator for the parish

The clerk had obtained a quote from Wel Medical Ltd for 2 Defibrillators and cabinets, total cost including VAT £3642.00

The clerk had received a letter from a member of the public who was interested in donating/helping towards the cost of a defibrillator for the village of Garway in memory of a family member who had lived in the village.

It was **RESOLVED**: that the Clerk write to the member of the public thanking them for their interest in donating/helping towards the cost of a defibrillator for the village of Garway and send the costings relating to a defib and cabinet to them.

12. Planning

12.1 To note planning application approved / refused by Herefordshire Council since last meeting

None

13. Neighbourhood Plan

13.1 To note date of 1st inception meeting of the NDP

Waiting for a date to be given by Kirkwells, CH to contact village hall to book once a date had been agreed.

14. Correspondence

14.1 To note correspondence received since last meeting

The clerk advised that she had had an email from a parishioner concerning the hunt riding on the common, but no clarification had been given as to which hunt it was.

A parishioner had contacted the clerk regarding a request for removal of an ash tree at Rock Mount. This matter would be discussed further at the next PC meeting. The clerk was asked to contact the parishioner concerned to inform them that the tree must not be cut down until it had been discussed further at a PC meeting

15. Training

15.1 To consider HALC in house training

It was **RESOLVED**: that the Clerk contact HALC regarding in house training and request dates available and advise Cllrs of dates available

15.2 To consider HALC Training sheet and book training as appropriate training sheet noted

16. Date of next Scheduled meeting **Monday 14th November 2016 at Garway School 7pm**

17. Matters Relayed to the Clerk for Agenda (no discussion)

Ash Tree at Rock Mount

NDP update

Subject to Council Resolution these items will be held in closed session

18. Employment Matters

18.1 To receive information relating to acting clerk's role and consider deputy clerk's role

19. Garway Common Ownership Issues

19.1 To receive reports from the Commons Task Group and agree any action required

A resolution was passed to exclude the public due to the confidential matters to be discussed

Parish Council Chair

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