



DORMINGTON & MORDIFORD GROUP PARISH COUNCIL



Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 4th September 2012 at 7.30pm

Present

Cllrs John Litchfield, Brian Dukes, Jan Ashton-Jones, Peter Davies, Lorna Radnor, John Lee.

In attendance

Mel Preedy – Parish Clerk
2 members of the public

In the absence of the Chairman and Vice-chairman Cllr John Litchfield was elected as chairman for the meeting.

Action

115. Apologies for absence

Apologies were accepted from Cllrs Brewin, Shearer and Dickson. Ward member Cllr Hardwick also sent his apologies.

116. Declarations of Interest

No declarations were made.

117. Minutes of the previous meetings held on 3rd July and 20th August 2012

Minutes of the previous meetings were accepted as a true and accurate record and signed by the Chairman.

118. To receive brief verbal reports from:

- a) Kat La Tzsar and Tina Wood were not in attendance.
- b) In their absence the Local Policing Team had sent a brief report outlining one incident of theft over the last month.
- c) There was no Neighbourhood Watch update.
- d) Cllr Hardwick had sent this apologies for the meeting.

119. Public participation session – the following issues were raised:

- Two residents requested an update on the affordable housing project at Sufton Rise. It was agreed that a brief report should be provided by either Kat La Tzsar or Tina Wood if they cannot attend a meeting.

120. Finance

a) **Resolved:** The following payments were approved;

- Vision ICT, email hosting £12.50 (plus VAT)
- PiP Printing, July newsletter £103.20
- M Preedy, expenses and lengthsman admin fee £82.61
- Fownhope Parish Council, use of laptop 2011/12 £50.00

b) **Resolved:** the current expenditure against the budget was noted.

Clerk

121. Planning

The following planning application decisions were noted:

- Broomy Green Cottage, Checkley, HR1 4NA – proposed single storey extension together with a rear porch and link to verandah. Approved
- Tower Hill Cottage, Checkley, HR1 4NB – Extension to house. Approved
- Backbury House, Checkley, HR1 4NA – Change of use from a garage to a business premises to sell wine. Approved
- 23 Sufton Rise, Mordiford, HR1 4EN – First floor extension. Approved
- Colwyn, Checkley, HR1 4ND – Replacement dwelling and garage. Approved.
- Prospect Farm, Upper Dormington, HR1 4ED. Proposed two storey side extension. Approved.

122. Consultations

a) **Resolved:** The Parish Council discussed and agreed responses to the Housing Allocations Policy questionnaire

Clerk

b) **Resolved:** the Parish Council felt the proposal to centralise Registration services was a reasonable efficiency saving to make.

Clerk

123. An update was given on the progress of the provision of two new bus services under the 'Developing Transport in Herefordshire' bid made in partnership with Fownhope Parish Council. The two services would be sent out for quotations shortly, with an operator to be appointed at the October Fownhope Parish Council meeting. It is anticipated that services would start at the end of October or November.

124. Highways

a) **Resolved:** The clerk was asked to chase the progress of several highway defects.

Clerk

b) **Resolved:** The lengthsman was asked to strim the routine areas within the parish.

Clerk

c) **Resolved:** The Parish Council would not join the winter self-maintenance scheme and agreed to discuss the purchase of salt bins at the next meeting.

d) **Resolved:** Cllr Dukes and the Clerk would fill in the flooding information request from Herefordshire Council. Cllr Davies would check whether additional sandbags were needed.

Cllr Dukes
Cllr Davies

125. Information and correspondence

Resolved: the HALC conference was noted. The Clerk would provide a brief update session on the Code of Conduct before the next meeting. The Clerk was asked to enquire why Fownhope was not used a venue in the current 'your say' consultations.

Clerk

126. The following items were put forward for the next meeting:

- Salt bins
- Speeding vehicles along Sufton Rise
- Progress on affordable housing

Next meeting – Tuesday 2nd October at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 8.40pm

Signed:

Date:

Chairman