

Abbeydore & Bacton Group Parish Council

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of
Abbeydore and Bacton Group Parish Council
held in Abbeydore Village Hall on Tuesday 8th January 2019

No ABPC/MW/096

Present

Councillor Mr D R Watkins Chairman
Councillor Mrs M J Jenkins Vice – Chairman
Councillor Mr D Cook
Councillor Mr D Bannister
Councillor Mrs W Gunn
Councillor Mr M J Jenkins
Councillor Mr W (Bill) Millington
Clerk Mr M Walker

Also Present

One further member of the public

The Parish Council Meeting was formally opened by the Chairman at 7.30pm

1.0 Apologies for Absence

Apologies received and accepted from Councillor Mr T Murcott and Golden Valley South Ward
Councillor Mr Peter Jinman
Parish Lengthsman/Contractor Mr Terry Griffiths and Police representative not present

2.0 Minutes

The Minutes of the Ordinary Group Parish Council Meeting No ABPC/MW/095 held on Tuesday 6th November 2018 were unanimously confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

3.0 Declarations of Interest and Dispensations

- 3.1** To receive any declarations of interest in agenda items from Councillors
No Declarations of Interest were made
- 3.2** To consider any written applications for dispensation
There were no written applications for dispensation made

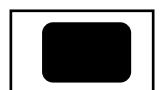
4.0 Financial Report

4.1 Receipts

No receipts received

4.2 Payments

Clerk's Salary December 2018 Gross	£341.66
Mileage	£4.32
Postage	£2.32
Village Hall Electric	£3.00
TAX £68.20 NIC £0.00	
Nett Pay £283.10	
Cheque Number 000846	
HMR&C 3 rd Quarter Payment October November December	£203.40
Cheque Number 000847	
Clerk's Salary January 2019 Gross	£341.66
Stationery & Consumables	£133.75
TAX £68.20 NIC £0.00	
Nett Pay £407.21	
Cheque Number 000848	



Proposed by Councillor Mr D Cook and Seconded by Councillor Mr M Jenkins

4.3 Bank Balance as per statement No 50 @ 4th December 2018

Business Bank Deposit Account £13,057.57
Bank Reconciliation to agree with Internet Printed Bank Statement
05/01/2019 £13,058.12 and signed by the Chairman

Bank Balance as per statement No 7 @ 4th December 2018

Treasurers Current Account £6,509.44
Bank Reconciliation to agree with Internet Printed Bank Statement
05/01/2019 £6,205.57 and signed by the Chairman

Resolved unanimously that all payments are approved

{Finance Sheets given to all Parish Councillors present}

4.4 Revised Budget as agreed 6th November 2018

The Revised Budget for 2019 – 2020 was Unanimously Approved

4.5 Confirmation of Precept request

Confirmation that the Precept, set at £9,200.00 for the fiscal year 2019 – 2020 had been submitted to Herefordshire Council

4.6 Official ruling regarding Parish Council donations for Church Yard maintenance re s.8(1)(i) and (k) of the 1894 Local Government Act

“The General Power of Competence - England only

S.1(1) of the Localism Act 2011 ("the 2011 Act") provides that a local authority has power to do anything that individuals generally may do. "Local authority" is defined in s.8 of the 2011 Act and includes an eligible parish council (see paragraph 22 below). S.2 sets out the boundaries of the general power. Subsection (2) provides that the general power does not enable an eligible local council to do (a) anything which the authority is unable to do by virtue of a pre-commencement limitation, or (b) anything which the authority is unable to do by virtue of a post-commencement limitation which is expressed to apply (i) to the general power, (ii) to all of the authority's powers, or (iii) to all of the authority's powers but with exceptions that do not include the general power. An example of a pre-commencement limitation is s.8(1)(i) and (k) of the Local Government Act 1894, which prevent a council from spending money on property relating to affairs of the church or held for an ecclesiastical charity.”

5.0 Public Question Time

A 10 minute period is to be allocated if required to facilitate any member of the public to address the assembled Parish Councillors

No matters raised

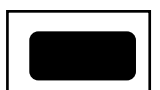
6.0 Neighbourhood Plan Update

The three parishes (Abbeydore & Bacton, Kentchurch and Ewyas Harold) will meet as and when required. Councillor Mr T Murcott will represent Abbeydore & Bacton Group Parish Council at any meetings. Items to include:- Pontrilas Railway Station, Dore Abbey improvements.

cc email to Councillor Mr D Cook

Parish Councillor Mr Nic Eynon had been nominated as Representative for the Kilpeck Group Parish Council.

Councillor Mr T Murcott not present and no update available



To Receive Reports (if available) from:-**7.1 Golden Valley South Ward Councillor Mr Peter Jinman**

Mr Peter Jinman not present, update sent by email after meeting

“8th January 2019 Malcolm,

My apologies for tonight as I am chairing the Ewyas Harold Group Parish Council meeting. I have little to report as there has been not much activity over the holiday period. I have accompanied Balfour Beatty on road surface work and have attended the briefing on the two judgements regarding the child care issues. There is an extraordinary council meeting to discuss this latter issue. Planning has been relatively quiet with notification re change of use of the ex-restaurant premises at Upper House, Abbeydore. I note the amount of road repairs that have been done helped by the relatively dry weather. As ever would appreciate any views on planning etc as soon as possible after the meeting tonight. Regards, Peter”

7.2 West Mercia Police

Full report see Item 10.0

7.3 Parish Footpaths Officer Vacancy

No further progress

Agenda item for the next full Parish Council Meeting

7.4 Locality Steward Report Mr Paul Norris

Information sent to Parish Councillors by email

7.5 Terry Griffiths Lengthsman

Terry Griffiths not present but report sent by email

“Abbeydore and Bacton Parish Council Report-January 2019

Roads We have completed 3 maintenance days to date.

Due to the relatively long gap between the service days we tend to have covered the same ground on each visit.

The critical areas are flagged up as a must on each visit, but we do try to expand the coverage area on each occasion as time allows.

Defects We have dealt with defects 2 reported from parish clerk and one flagged up on a recent job sheet.

Details of the defects and follow up comments are on Roads January 2018 worksheet.

Forward Scheduling Could the council advise us of future visit days required as soon as possible This would help me to work out the schedules well in advance of the expected last-minute rush of work near the end of March.

Ditches We note that the resurfacing contractors working for the highways are doing some ditch clearing and grip work at the same time as the resurfacing work is being done, at least we think it is them as it is unlikely to be BBLP.

We specifically note the work on the U74209 at Tremothic which is quite impressive.

Regretfully the were not able to continue on as far as Holling Grange as the road surface from the stream culvert to the Holling Grange entrance has gone past being critical.

We have cited the failed ditch on the north east side of the road as the main cause of the damage, but it has not found favour with BBLP.

Throughout the parish the ditches are failing due to lack of maintenance which as we are all aware will lead to on-going road damage in the future.

Grit Bins We were led to believe that BBLP would be doing an exercise identifying registered grit bins and servicing them prior to the winter period.

During our latest visit we did passing check on the grit bins/pots and found very few had been tagged and those that were had only a small amount of good material on the top with the old deteriorated material underneath.

We will await your instruction over this issue.

Terry Griffiths Parish Lengthsman Abbeydore and Bacton Parish Council”

Terry to wait for Balfour Beatty

Ditches and Grips 1 day’s work March 2019



Grit Bin missing on Cross Roads Cockyard Pitch

Clerk instructed to write to Herefordshire Council reference reinstatement of bin

Gully bottom of Bacton Pitch reported to Herefordshire Council 1st January 2019

Case reference number CAS-708655-Y5LBP3

8.0 **Broadband Update**

To receive update from Councillor Toby Murcott

Councillor Mr T Murcott not present and no update available

9.0 **2019 Meeting Schedule**

Confirmation of revised meeting date for Annual Meeting of the Parish Council

May meeting date changed due to Local Elections

10.0 **Information Sheet**

Sheet to include update on previous action points and a list of correspondence received

Planning Result

19th September 2018 Application No 182949 Tremorithic Bacton Hereford HR2 0AU
General Purpose Agricultural building and covered handling area
Type Planning Permission

Planning Permission Granted 21st November 2018

24th October 2018 Application No 183928 Moorhampton Park Hereford HR2 0AL
Application for prior notification of an agricultural building extension
Agricultural and Forestry Buildings and Operations

Prior Approval is Not Required 16th November 2018

24th October 2018 Application No 183678 Ivy Green Cottage Abbeydore Hereford HR2 0AD
Proposed garage
Type Full Householder

Still Valid

25th October 2018 Application No 183788 Holling Grange Tremorithic Road Ewyas Harold
Hereford
Proposed conversion of restaurant to house
Type Planning Permission

Planning Permission Granted 2nd January 2019

{received after information sheet was printed}

Correspondence

“PROJECT SUMMARY

Bin to be 250kg in capacity

Provided with 250kg of grit salt

Bin to be labeled with 'Parish Council'

Grit bins are to be sited on roads with speed limits of 30mph or less in urban areas

Locations have been assessed and approved by the Locality Steward

Bins are being placed on a suitable base - a clean, level surface

Requests where proposed locations require increased traffic management will be quoted separately

Cost for material supply and install

Cost is per grit bin

Future maintenance and refills will be the responsibility of the Town/Parish Council

STANDARD GRIT BIN PROVISION

SCHEME COST 474.84£”

December 2018 Golden Valley Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT) Newsletter

Your team, based at Peterchurch.

PC 164 Roger Bradley 07976 938 755 roger.bradley@westmercia.pnn.police.uk

PCSO 6173 Fiona Witcher 07773 054582 fiona.witcher@westmercia.pnn.police.uk

PCSO 6378 Pete Knight 07773 053919 peter.knight@westmercia.pnn.police.uk

Crime Trends 1st – 30th November 2018

A garage at a private dwelling on the Pontrilas Road in **Ewyas Harold** was broken into sometime between Sunday 28th and Wednesday 31st October. A set of golf clubs, a pressure washer, leaf blower and strimmer were among items stolen Incident ref 569-s-061118



An outbuilding in the garden of a property in Old Shoppe Lands, **Ewyas Harold**, was entered sometime between 25th October and 1st November. Items stolen include a Stihl chainsaw, a Kawasaki hedge trimmer, a circular saw, planer and jigsaw Incident ref 278-s-011118

A red Honda quad bike and a Stihl strimmer were stolen from an outbuilding on a farm in **Walterstone** overnight on Thursday 1st November and Friday 2nd Incident ref 489-s-021118

Another garage in **Ewyas Harold** was broken into overnight on Saturday 3rd November and Sunday 4th. A Viking lawnmower and a Bosch drill were stolen Incident ref 571-s-041118

Overnight on Sunday 11th/Monday 12th November a Kubota ATV (All terrain vehicle) and a Honda generator were stolen from a locked shipping container at a property in **Craswall** Incident ref 84-s-121118

Two vans were broken into on the Westwood Industrial Estate, **Pontrilas**, sometime overnight on Tuesday 13th / Wednesday 13th November; damage was caused to both vehicles but nothing was taken from either vehicle Incident ref 72-s-141118

On the same night, the site office on a new housing development in **Pontrilas** was broken into, and quantities of Makita tools were stolen Incident no 79-s-141118

Fuel was taken from the fuel tanks of four vehicles parked on a business premises in **Clodock** over the weekend of 23rd - 26th November Incident ref 164-s-261118

A stable block at a property in **Shenmore** was broken into sometime between Monday 26th November and Monday 3rd December and a strimmer, chainsaw and hedge cutter were stolen Incident ref 428-s-031218

If you have any information regarding any crime you can contact police on 101 in an emergency please dial 999

You can also contact Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111 to report any crime or criminal activity anonymously.

Arrests A 38yr old male from **Peterchurch** was arrested on suspicion of assault. He has been charged and bailed to court.

50yr old male from Wormelow was arrested on suspicion of assault and later released on police bail.

19yr old local male was arrested for drink driving and subsequently charged and bailed to court.

49yr old male from **Eaton Bishop** was arrested for a number of theft offences and also making threats to another. He was later charged and bailed to court for theft and had other matters taken into consideration for sentencing.

Scam reports Telephone scam This one is from one of our readers; we have had several similar reports.

“I just thought I'd let you know of a scam phone call that I received this morning, purporting to be from BT, which is not one that the BT team, when I phoned back later on 152, said they had come across before - though it was similar to others they knew about.

The phone call came from a Premium line number - 01289 718956. When I picked up the receiver I listened to a recorded SMS message telling me that my ip address had been compromised last night, that my internet was not secure and that I would be disconnected. It was suggested I selected option 1 on my phone to be put through to the BT technical team to provide more information.

There was no wait to be put through when I did this - unusual for any BT department these days - and when I spoke to Nadia she asked how she could help. I replied that I had been put through to her having received an SMS message about my ip address, but I was suspicious that this was a scam. She asked me if I'd had to select an option to be put through, and I said yes (there were no other options to select) which she suggested was confirmation that it was indeed BT, which I didn't accept. I said this was insufficient proof, but asked why they couldn't just provide me with a new ip address, and what else they proposed. Nadia then put down the phone. It was later on that I phoned BT to check that there were no issues, and was reassured that everything was in order, but the call did initially make me wonder. Having just done a phone number on Google, there do appear to be reports of BT scams coming from numbers with the 01289 code.”

E-mail scams Obviously a scam, but not very pleasant.

From: Finn Kelley fhzonnyajc@outlook.com **Date:** 22 November 2018 at 21:13:56 GMT

To: "Subject: - ginger Hello - I actually came to know all of the scummy secrets. I won't explain you what exactly I am aware of, I have all the information with me.

To demonstrate this, allow myself tell you that one of your passwords is ginger. Pay me \$2000 via *Bitcoin* to the address 19ZB2S1u9esLddbWKDfUhzm6JphoYdAzcZ in the next 44 hrs. Ok, i will make one important thing precise, that I will damage your life fully if I don't get the payment. In the event that I get the payment, I'm going to remove every info I've with me, and I will vanish entirely and you will definitely don't ever hear anything from me. This is the first and also last mail from me and the offer is non negotiable, thus do not answer to this e-mail.



How to Contact Us 101 to talk to your local SNT or report a crime
goldenvally.snt@westmercia.pnn.police.uk www.westmercia.police.uk @GValleyCops

Only call 999 in an emergency, when a crime is in progress or life is in danger.

Finally, we would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

News from your local Fire crews

December brings the build up to Christmas and the festive season. The traditions around Christmas – be it faith-based or otherwise – can result in Christmas being a more hazardous time with regards to fire safety. These extra fire risks include:

- increased cooking and potentially cooking whilst under the influence of alcohol
- increased use of candles in the home
- decorations which may burn very easily
- Christmas tree lights which haven't been used for a year and/or may be faulty

Christmas fire safety messages

In recent years, excessive alcohol consumption has been a major contributor to not only fires, but fire-related casualties. With the likelihood of increased alcohol consumption and cooking across the festive period, we would urge people to:

- Don't cook if you have been drinking and never leave cooking unattended
- Never place candles near your Christmas tree or materials that can catch alight easily
- Keep candles, lighters and matches out of children's reach. Never leave lit candles unattended
- Never overload electrical sockets. Always switch Christmas lights off and unplug them before you go to bed
- Decorations can burn easily – so don't attach them to lights or heaters
- Take time to check on older relatives & neighbours this Christmas as they are potentially at greater risk from fire
- Make sure your family and visitors know how to escape in an emergency
- Check that your Christmas tree lights carry this British Safety Standard sign



Herefordshire Council Report of Parish Council Summit 17th October 2018

Herefordshire Council Summit Thursday 24th January 2019 at The Shirehall
Councillor Mrs Wendy Gunn to attend – Agenda to be emailed when available

11.0 Agenda of Next Meeting

Parish Footpaths Officer Vacancy

12.0 Date, Time and Venue of Next Meeting

Confirmed that the next meeting will be the Ordinary Meeting of the Group Parish Council and will be held on **Tuesday 5th March 2019** in **ABBEYDORE Village Hall** meeting to commence at 7.30pm

Parish Council meeting declared closed at 8.05 pm

Parish Council Chairman Councillor Mr David Watkins

Signed

Dated this day 5th March 2019