

Minutes of Meeting held on 20 October 2008 at 7.30pm in Garway Village Hall.

Present.

Mr M Jones (Chair), Mr D Atkinson, Mrs S Partridge, Mrs C Trew, Mrs R Sparey, Mr R Smith (Herefordshire Council), PC Andy Bundy, 4 members of the public.

1. Apologies.

Mr A Phillips

2. Declarations of Interest

Mr M Jones. Item 7 - Planning Application. Yew Tree Farm. Prejudicial. Signed interest book.

Mr D Atkinson Item 8 – Invoice for hire of hall. Prejudicial. Signed interest book.

3. Minutes of Meeting held on September 8th were agreed as true and accurate and signed by the Chair.

4. Matters Arising.

Glasshouse road – the clerk had spoken to highways who advised that any existing pot holes would be filled and that patching of the road would be put on next years maintenance list with resurfacing to take place the year after, all depending on priorities. Clerk to write to Highways pointing out urgency needed for repairs as there were two known insurance claims for cars damaged on road.

P C Bundy gave a report on policing matters. 2 house burglaries in area in previous week however the trend for thefts was generally down across the whole area. Arrangements were discussed for Community safety meeting to be held on 29 October in village hall.

5. Request to put Forest School site for Garway Primary School on Garway Hill Common (HNT Community Commons Project)

The HNT project is funding Forest school training for schools associated with the Commons in their project. The children visit the site once or twice a fortnight and an area would be set up of approx 15m x 15m under a canopy of trees to use as a base. A circle of logs as seats for the children are put in place. Garway Primary school are anticipating setting up their base early summer 2009.

Proposed Mr Jones to give permission for a Forest School to be set up on Garway Hill, seconded Mr Atkinson. Unanimously agreed.

6. Correspondence

Advice from H/Council of two consultations – Draft archaeology strategic plan 2008/11 and Draft Shop Front design guide. Both can be viewed online. – consultation end 3 Dec. Community Consultation on crime/ disorder and drug misuse in Herefordshire. No issues for response.

The next Funding Fair will be held on 29 October at Aylestone Hill.

7. Planning Matters

DCSW2008/0252/F - Yew Tree Farm. **Permitted**

DCSW2008/2268/F - Hazelfield, Broad Oak, Proposed new track. **Prior approval not required**

DCSW2008/1473/F - Upper Town, Garway. **Permitted**

DCSW2008/2220/F - Newlands Cottage, Garway. **Permitted**

DCSW2008/2413/F - Garway Court, Garway. Proposed livestock housing building.

Previously circulated. **Support**

DCSW2008/2342/F – Saplings, Broad Oak. To erect a conservatory to the rear of property. Previously circulated. **Support**

DCSW2008/2557/E – Tengersfield, Garway. To relocate the existing 11,000 volt terminal pole on overhead line on wooden poles with a tolerance of 30m either side of the route and to dismantle 64m of 11,000 volt line together with 28m of low voltage overhead conductor. **Support.**

Mr Jones left the room

Mr Atkinson took the chair

DCSW2008/2406/F Seven bay agricultural building. **Support**

Mr Jones returned and took the Chair.

8. Financial Matters

Mr Atkinson left the room

Invoice received – hire of Hall for meetings - April /September 5 sessions at £10 per session. Proposed Mrs Trew seconded Mrs Sparey to pay Garway Village Hall £50. agreed unanimously.

Mr Atkinson returned to the room.

Notice of second payment of precept for £1750 paid into bank account 9 September.

Wayleave payment of £193.68 received from Eon.

Invoice received from Auditors Mazars for audit 2007/8. £50. plus Vat. Proposal by Mr Atkinson to pay £58.75. seconded Mrs Partridge. Agreed.

9. Lord of the Manor of Garway – to consider request for nominated representative to liaise with Sir Peter de la Billiere.

Mr Jones proposed that the clerk liaises with Sir Peter and bring any matters to the Council. Seconded Mr Atkinson and agreed. It was also agreed to take up Sir Peter's suggestion to inspect the documentation held by his solicitors. Mr Smith agreed to approach the legal dept of H/Council for them to undertake this on the council's behalf.

10. To consider estimates for new picnic tables for Children's playground.

The clerk had obtained quotes in the region of £110 plus vat for picnic tables. It was agreed to move the existing heavy duty table for now and consider

11. Parish Freighter Booking 2009

The clerk had made two bookings for 28 February and 23 May 2009. The May slot 2-4pm fell on a bank holiday, but as it was the only one available it was agreed to keep this and let the owners of the Moon know well before time. The autumn booking would be made at a later date when H/Council had a new contract in place. The council agreed to pay £77.50. Proposed Mr Atkinson. Seconded Mrs Trew.

12. To consider request from Garway Church for a donation towards grass strimming

Grass cutting is done by the probation service, volunteers mow the paths and general upkeep is covered by a donation box in the church. The PCC were employing professional gardeners to do the strimming, however, they are finding they have insufficient funds to pay them. It was proposed by Mrs Sparey that as the Templar church attracts many visitors and for the community a tidy and well kept churchyard was important a donation of £100 is made. Seconded Mrs Partridge. Unanimously agreed.

13. To consider request for bus shelter at Broad Oak.

The clerk has spoken to H/Council. If the Parish Council were prepared to find up to £1500 towards the £5000 cost H/Council would look at the site and consider whether it is cost effective for them in next years funding. Grants are available for small projects such as bus shelters. It was agreed to ascertain the need before progressing.

14. Completion of Audit 2008

The Audit for 2007/8 had been returned from the External auditors with a satisfactory report and no matters of concern noted.

15. Clerks wages and expenses

Proposed Mr Atkinson and seconded Mrs Trew to pay expenses of £22.09 and wages to end September of £231.50. Agreed unanimously.

16. Parish Matters

Parish Plan – Lynda Wilcox (HALC) would attend next meeting to discuss parish plans with the members.

There being no further business the Chair declared the meeting closed at 8.40pm