



## PIXLEY & DISTRICT PARISH COUNCIL

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### Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 25th June 2013 at Munsley WI Hall at 7.30pm

#### Present

Councillors S Swaithe, Mrs L Clothier, Mrs J Cowell, D Hewitt, H Hodges, A Mawby, M Skittery, E Thompson & P Whitfield

#### In attendance

Janet Chester – Parish Clerk

#### Members of the Public: 1

#### 79/13 To Accept Any Apologies for Absence and Note the Reason

Cllr Ken Davies – holiday, Cllr Mrs R Jones - illness

#### 80/13 To receive declarations of interest and requests for dispensations -

none

#### 81/13 To approve minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2013 (previously circulated)

The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed as a true and accurate record and were duly signed by Cllr Swaithe.

#### 82/13 To receive a brief report from Ward Councillor P Morgan

Cllr Patricia Morgan was not present at the meeting not having given her apologies and had not sent through a report.

#### 83/13 Open Forum

No items were raised

#### 84/13 Discussion

a) Councillor Vacancies.

The chairman welcomed Mrs Wendy Cox who had come to this meeting with a view of perhaps becoming a councillor. Cllr Clothier and Cllr Swaithe had also each contacted a local resident who will hopefully attend a future meeting.

b) To receive comments on Neighbourhood Planning

The clerk has not heard anything from Putley and Ashperton, they may not have held a meeting since. It was commented that we need to know what we want to achieve to have a reason to do a plan. Concerns were expressed over the cost and whether it would differ from Herefordshire Councils Core Strategy. We need to have services and jobs nearer to where people live. Are there any existing buildings which could be converted to domestic or small business use? Does the parish council want the council and local residents to have control over our own area or leave it to people elsewhere in the county to decide? Because children

#### Action

in all the parishes tend to attend Ashperton School is that a reason to join together? It was thought that if another parish approached us for help we would support them but at present would not do our own Neighbourhood Plan.

**RESOLVED** The clerk is to ask Putley and Ashperton for their thoughts and put this matter onto July agenda.

c) Living Well for Longer Grant

It was **AGREED** that the parishes have no infrastructure in place to be able to take advantage of this grant. The local Darby & Joan club may qualify. Cllr Cowell is to approach them, give them the grant details and ask a representative to attend a parish council meeting.

### **85/13 Highways / Footpaths**

#### **a) Road conditions**

The clerk has chased all outstanding reported road defects with Amey but just gets a general response. It is felt that not much will be done before September when the new contractor starts. Potholes in Swinmore Lane need reporting.

#### **b) A4172 noise nuisance letter**

Cllr Clothier had drafted a letter to be sent to Cllr Philip Price, Herefordshire Council cabinet member for infrastructure and highways. She read the letter out and a few amendments were suggested. **RESOLVED** Cllr Clothier will amend the letter and forward to the clerk for sending. Cllr Hewitt was asked to provide the SID data to support the letter. Cllr Price was to be invited to attend the July meeting to discuss the letter and also to advise on installation of speed threshold gates.

#### **c) Update on A4172 road traffic accident.**

Ward Cllr Patricia Morgan had been asked to pursue this matter. Item deferred to July meeting.

#### **d) Proposal of Cycle Shelter at Poolend Bus Stop**

The clerk had received a letter from Herefordshire Council asking if we would like a cycle shelter installed at Poolend. After discussion it was **RESOLVED** to ask for this shelter but to ascertain where it would be situated and to also ask for a shelter at Trumpet crossroads.

### **86/13 Finance**

**86.1 To note June 2013 Finance Report** - noted

**86.2 To agree payment of outstanding accounts as per finance report**

Payments **RESOLVED**

a) Clerk salary and expenses – as agreed

### **87/13 Planning**

**87.1 Planning Application to be considered** - none

**87.2 To Note Comments on Planning Applications already considered**

#### **87.2.1 131176/F Paunceford Court, Munsley, Ledbury, HR8 2SH**

Variation of condition 4 of planning permission DMNE/100177/F: To allow commercial riding and training to be carried out between the hours of 10am and 7pm

**P C Comment:** After holding a site visit the parish council support this application

**87. 3 To note decisions of Herefordshire Council on Planning Applications**

As planning record and on Herefordshire Councils website – [www.herefordshire.gov.uk](http://www.herefordshire.gov.uk)

**CLERK**

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**CLLR MORGAN**

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**88/13 Training / Meetings****a) To note dates of upcoming meetings**

Welsh Water consultation on future works - Monday 16<sup>th</sup> July at Kindle Centre Hereford

The clerk has been given dates for further training modules for her CiCLA qualification – Sat 27<sup>th</sup> July & Sat 17<sup>th</sup> August

Hvoss workshop on Tendering & Procurement – Wed 10<sup>th</sup> July

**b) To receive a report from meetings attended**

i) Ledbury Rural Parishes Cluster Group AGM, Wed 12<sup>th</sup> June – Cllrs Swaithe & Davies had attended this meeting. Patrick Whitehead had been re-elected Chairman, Martin Field re-elected vice-chairman and Janet Chester re-elected as Secretary, all for a term of twelve months. The pertinence of the cluster group to our rural parishes is questionable since we have no recognised settlement boundaries and our traffic speed concerns relate to unrestricted A roads.

ii) Haygrove Farm Management and local residents meeting, 18<sup>th</sup> May – Cllrs Whitehead and Mawby had attended. These meetings are now getting positive outcomes with any problems raised receiving a better response. It was AGREED that it was worthwhile holding these meetings.

**89/13 To note Planning Record (Circulated) – RESOLVED****90/13 To review the Information & Outstanding Actions Sheet - RESOLVED****92/13 Items for next meeting (No Discussion)**

- Neighbourhood Planning
- Cllr P Price, A4172 noise nuisance letter
- HALC Public Sector Mapping Agreement
- Report on A4172 Road Traffic Accident

**93/13 Date of next scheduled meeting : Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> July 2013**

*The chairman declared the meeting closed at 9.20pm*

Signed:  
Chairman.

Date: