

EARDISLEY GROUP PARISH COUNCIL

(Eardisley, Winforton, Whitney-on-Wye)

MINUTES – Monday 20th July 2015 in Winforton Community Hall

PRESENT

Mr A Watkins (Chair); Mr P Whittall; Mr T Morgan;; Mr J Wyatt; Mr C Davies; Mr T Raymond; Mr A Layton; Mr S Whittall; Mr J Forrest; Mr K Goodman; Mrs S Prosser; Mr L Price

IN ATTENDANCE

Clerk to the Parish Council – Mrs S Brown

10 members of the public

Presentation from Gareth Pugh

Mr Pugh explained the history of Leonard Alan Lewis, the only Herefordshire VC. The Government intends to commemorate all VCs on the anniversary of the action for which they were honoured. This is 21st September 2018. There is a need to identify where to put the commemoration stone locally; PC to discuss this at next meeting. Mr Pugh is working on a booklet.

The Chairman thanked him for his attendance.

PC commended to look at the document on local church war memorials produced by the children of Eardisley CE Primary School. There is a copy in each local church.

- 1 **APOLOGIES:** - Mr P Eggerton; Mr R Taylor; Mr C Skelton
- 2 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** - None
- 3 **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:** - The Minutes were **AGREED** and signed by the Chairman, as a true record.
- 4 **Report from Cllr Clive Skelton:** - None
- 5 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PERIOD:-**
Matters discussed: -
30mph speed limit on Common Lane
Planning notices
Speeding traffic in Whitney-on-Wye
Allocation of monies from Tarmac Lafarge
Kington surgery – lack of protection from traffic incidents
Condition of roads at Millhalf and Almeley Rd.
Parking on pavement in Eardisley
6. **NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN: -**

Since the May PC meeting the Eardisley Group Neighbourhood Plan has completed its Regulation 16 Consultation run by Herefordshire Council.

According to our adviser on the HC NP Team, “The Eardisley NDP has now reached the end of the local authority’s publicity period, so it can be used as a material consideration in the determination of planning applications in certain circumstances; there is a prematurity test but the extent to which this carries weight should be judged on a case by case basis.”

There have only been 2 adverse representations to the consultation:

1. From the agent representing the application for 3 houses in Winforton, between Poppins and the Buttley Tearoom, setting out the case for the site being within the NP, now irrelevant.
2. From the Environment Agency requiring changes in wording and further evidence regarding the flood risk to sites in Eardisley. The EA is satisfied with the wordings for Whitney and Winforton.

We are advised there is no need to respond to these representations directly as they will be dealt with by the Examiner.

However, it is a good idea to understand fully the substance of the objections in order to see what changes should be made. Bill Bloxsome, who was formerly the Environment Planner for Herefordshire Council is looking into this.

Herefordshire Council will be in touch with the Parish Council when there is a list of examiners to choose from.

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7. TRAFFIC & HIGHWAYS

Key Achievements since 18th May Report:

Community Speed Watch (Eardisley):

- 22 monitoring sessions have now taken place
- 82 speeding motorists have been sent letters by the Police
- At least 1 driver has been visited by the police
- Highest speed recorded 52 mph
- Will be recruiting more volunteers to train & undertake monitoring

Pressure for More Speed Enforcement in Winforton & Whitney:

- The Police have now carried out speed enforcement checks in Winforton and have booked people for speeding.
- Pressure will be kept on the Police to continue this process

Pot Holes & Road Surface:

- Manhole in A4111 opposite the Tram has now been repaired

Liaison with Lafarge Tarmac (LT):

- Reports from residents of both Eardisley & Winforton suggest that Lafarge Tarmac's appeal to drivers to drive slowly through the villages has had an effect.
- A formal letter has now been received from Lafarge Tarmac offering £2,000 towards Village Gateways in all three Parishes.
- The Working Party request the Group Parish Council to 'ring fence' & account separately for the £2,000 together with other monies as raised for the Gateway Scheme.

Village Gateway Scheme:

- The formal letter from the Parish Council requesting Village Gateways has been received by Balfour Beatty.
- Confirmed that the three Eardisley Group villages are next 'on the list' after Peterchurch for detailed investigation, costing & planning. This phase should start in September.
- Plans are being prepared to apply for Grants to raise any remaining amounts needed to implement the Gateway scheme.

Liaison with Balfour Beatty:

- It has been agreed with Balfour Beatty, Alan Watkins (Group Parish Council Chair) and Clive Skelton (Ward Member) that Allan Hamilton (Traffic & Highways Working Party Chair) will be their main point of contact on all items relating to the Group Parish.
- All decisions will still be made by the Group Parish Council.

Expenditure:

- The last meeting was held on 7th July in Eardisley village hall at a cost of £17

Working Party Meeting Structure:

- At the meeting on 7th July it was agreed that in future there should be 2 types of meetings:
 - o Working meetings with the 'portfolio holders' and seconded Parish Councillors to maintain progress. These will be closed meetings but with minutes circulated
 - o Public Meetings every 6 months - the first scheduled for October:
 - To present the efforts of the Working Party and progress made.
 - To invite questions & discussion
 - To agree priorities for the next 6 months

Speeding traffic – Common Lane

There is no speed limit. Problems mainly caused by poor driving. Councillors to monitor the situation

8 Courtland's parking meeting – report

Stalemate between Housing Association and Hereford Council over responsibility for increasing area of parking. The residents would like to form a housing committee to liaise directly with Clive Skelton. It was **AGREED** to support this.

9 Request from Hereford CAB

Hereford CAB funding from HC has been withdrawn completely. It was **AGREED** to send a letter of support from PC to local ward councillor asking for funding of CAB to be reconsidered.

10 FINANCE: -

The Bank Balances were given

It was **AGREED** To Pay: -

Winforton Hall hire - July

Clerk's salary + tax (June– July) 383.57 + 95.89

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- 11** **CORRESPONDENCE** was noted
12 **PLANNING:** - None for discussion at meeting

Applications commented upon under PC Policy

P151399/L and P151398/FH - Old Crowe Farm Willersley Herefordshire HR3 6EE
Proposed new vehicular access and construction of detached garage

P151400/FH and P151401/L - Old Crowe Farm Willersley Herefordshire HR3 6EE
Proposed conversion of adjoining building into ancillary accommodation

P151393/F - Brilley Wood Whitney-On-Wye Hereford Herefordshire HR3 6JE
Proposed menage.

NO OBJECTIONS

P151609/F - Barns at Mill Half Farm Whitney-on-Wye Herefordshire
Proposed conversion of redundant farm buildings to 4 residential properties including associated works and removal of modern steel framed buildings.

COMMENTS SUBMITTED

P151350/O - Land at Winforton, Near Courtlands Farm Winforton Herefordshire
Proposed demolition of existing farm buildings, removal of areas of existing concrete and for the erection of 4 residential dwellings, garaging, passing area, foul drainage treatment plant and other associated works. (Re-submission of P143471/O)

Planning permissions approved by Herefordshire Council

P151402/L - Old Crowe Farm Willersley Herefordshire HR3 6EE
Proposed restoration of cottage

P150895/F - Forton Meadows Winforton Herefordshire HR3 6EA
Proposed general purpose extension to existing barns and repositioning of existing field gate.

P150619/F - Great Quebb House Eardisley Hereford Herefordshire HR3 6LP
Proposed erection of a livestock unit for rearing and finishing of pigs.

P151071/FH - Dukes Cottage Eardisley Herefordshire HR3 6ND
Proposed two storey and single storey extensions including internal alterations

P151331/F + P151332L - Little Quebb Farm Quebb Road Eardisley Hereford Herefordshire HR3 6LP
Proposed conversion of workshop to form new granny annexe.

P151285/F - Lomore Manor Eardisley Hereford Herefordshire HR3 6LR
Proposed single storey Orangery for use as a function room, revised application previously approved Planning Application 132508/F.

P151245/F - Mill Meadow House Church Road Eardisley HR3 6NN
Proposed change of use of agricultural land to curtilage and erection of timber framed garage.

P151107/F - Green Gables Eardisley Herefordshire HR3 6PQ
Proposed new dwelling and garage (passivhaus).

P150918/F - Unit 4, Wharf Industrial Estate Eardisley Herefordshire HR3 6NS
Proposed change of use from B8 to B2.

The meeting closed at 8.30pm

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DATE OF NEXT MEETING: - Monday 21st September 2015 in Eardisley Village Hall