

DORMINGTON & MORDIFORD GROUP PARISH COUNCIL

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Draft minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 10th January 2012

Present

Ray Dickson - Chairman, Peter Davies, John Lee, Lorna Radnor, John Litchfield, Jan Ashton-Jones, Brian Dukes

In attendance

Melanie Preedy – Parish Clerk Ward member Cllr Hardwick 3 Members of the public

Action

- 1. To accept apologies for absence Nick Brewin, Cheryl Shearer
- 2. To receive declarations of interest

None declared

3. To accept minutes of the previous meeting held on 1st November 2011

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

4. To receive brief verbal reports from:

- a) Kat La Tzsar provided positive feedback from the November Sufton Rise affordable housing consultation event. Measures to reduce the speed limit and introduce a solid white line were supported. WM Housing has engaged a highway consultant to put together a case for these traffic calming measures. There was strong support for the footway linking Sufton Rise and the new development. Parking for current residents is being investigated. As part of the new development the electricity system will be upgraded this will benefit Sufton Rise residents. Drainage is still being negotiated with Welsh Water. Further dialogue is on-going with the Planners and Highways but a planning application submission date of February is planned. (Kat La Tszar and Tina Wood left the meeting)
- b) Apologies had been sent by the Local Policing Team
- c) Neighbourhood Watch update Cllr Dukes provided details of recent road traffic incidents.
- d) Councillor Hardwick stated that matters pertinent to the parish council could be raised at the Rural Members Forum. Following the recent ward walk with Amey the flooding problems at Wallflower Row would be investigated.

- **5. Public participation session –** the following issues were raised:
 - Queries over footpath problems in neighbouring parishes
 - An update on Poors Acre would be sought for the next meeting

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6. Finance

- a) Resolved: The following payments were approved;
 - Herefordshire Council, Hire of Hall for January £20.00
 - HALC, councillor training £150.00
 - Information Commissioner, £35.00
 - M Dyer, lengthsman duties, £44.00
 - M Preedy, expenses and lengthsman admin fee £114.43
 - Pip printing, stationary £21.80
 - SLCC membership £55.00
 - Herefordshire Council, contested election fee £815.89
- b) Resolved: the January Internal Audit report was noted
- c) Resolved: the Internal Controls and Risk Assessment were reviewed
- **7.** An update on the bus service from Mordiford to Ross on Wye was received.

8. Planning

a) **Resolved:** Between meetings the planning group made the following comments in respect of the Anaerobic Digester application at Court Farm, Hampton Bishop

'Concerns over increased traffic using Mordiford village, especially the bridge. Over the last few months there has been a substantial number of large lorries and tractors containing material going to the AD.'

Planning application permissions for the Old House, Checkley and Brown Thorne Cottage were noted.

9. Cllrs Davies, Radnor and Ashton-Jones had surveyed the trees in the burial ground.

Resolved: it was agreed to request that the Moon Inn cut back the trees on the boundary of their property and the burial ground. The lengthsman would be asked to cut back one of the Holly trees.

Clerk Cllr Davies

10. Parish Plan

a) Councillors discussed the future of the Iron Room and likely costs involved in undertaking improvement works.

Resolved: the Parish Council would continue to lease the building but not start any improvement works. The building would be closed up and made secure.

b) Problems with parking around the village during drop-off and pick-up times were discussed. Cllr Dukes relayed the request from the Governors that the Parish Council write to Herefordshire County Council to ask that action be taken to reduce the traffic flow through the village.

Cllr Dickson Cllr Davies

Clerk

Resolved: the Clerk would set up a meeting with the Headmistress. Cllrs Brewin, Chair of Governors, Cllr Hardwick and Parish Council representatives to Litchfield, Dukes discuss parking solutions. and Dickson Cllr Ashton-11. Resolved: a quote of £204 plus VAT from Greenapple for 5 portaloos for the Jubilee weekend was approved. Jones 12. Reports a) An update from the ward boundary review meeting was received. b) Feedback from the broadband meeting was received. 13. Highways and Footpaths a) **Resolved**: the following defects to be reported to Amey; Clerk Potholes near Pen Hafod, Swardon Quarry, junction between B4224 and C1292 Edge damage along with C1292 between Sufton Rise and Mordiford Road markings near the Iron Room Clerk b) Resolved: lengthsman to clear culvert by footbridge near the school and place chippings at the top of the steps leading up to the Moon Inn. Clerk to investigate rubber surfacing for the footbridge leading to the school. Lengthsman to survey the grit bins in the parish. 14. Information and correspondence a) Update regarding Code of Conduct noted. b) Resolved: no comments put forward in respect of the HALC constitution **CIIrs Dickson** c) Resolved: Cllrs Dickson and Davies to look over Community and Davies Resilience scheme. d) **Resolved:** no items were put forward for the next newsletter **CIIr Dukes 15. Resolved:** Participatory Budgeting ideas to be highlighted in the newsletter and discussed at the March meeting. 16. The following items were put forward for the next meeting: Jubilee update Community resilience initiative Meeting closed at 9.35pm Signed:

Date

Chairman