

DINEDOR PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a parish council meeting held on Tuesday 17th March 2015
at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall

PRESENT

Councillors: Duncan Green (Chairman, Nick Austin, Marlene Kitto.

In attendance: Acting Clerk ... Lynda Wilcox from HALC
7 Local residents.
Ward Councillor – Peter Sinclair-Knipe.

1. Apologies for absence: There were none.
2. Declarations of interest and written requests for dispensations: There were none.
3. Open Session
 - 3.1 Report from the Ward Councillor:
 - 3.1.1 The Examination of the Core Strategy was going well.
 - 3.1.2 Herefordshire had been awarded LEADER funding of £2m over 5 years for rural businesses. Details could be found on the Herefordshire Council website.
 - 3.1.3 New Ward Boundaries would come into effect with the local elections on 7th May.
 - 3.2 Views of local residents on parish matters:
 - 3.2.1 Road improvements were required in some areas of the village, e.g. the bend near The Cross and outside the Village Hall. There were also drainage problems. The clerk would notify Herefordshire Council and copy in the Ward Councillor.
 - 3.2.2 A query was raised about whether the parish council would need to purchase new computer equipment. The Chairman responded that this could be discussed at a future meeting.
4. Minutes of previous meeting – 20.1.15.

It was RESOLVED to adopt the minutes as a true record and they were duly signed by the Chairman.
5. Dinedor Camp
 - 5.1 Aspects of Community Asset Transfer from Herefordshire Council:

The Chairman reported on a meeting with a Highways Officer to determine the future maintenance and status of the roads leading to The Camp:

 - 5.1.1 Herefordshire Council (HC) had surface dressed the road last summer but stopped at The Laurels and did not go up the hill. HC is therefore stating that they are responsible for the road up to The Laurels.



- 5.1.2 As far as HC is concerned, the other two roads are not publicly maintained roads.
- 5.1.3 The left hand side of the road is the boundary of the asset transfer.
- 5.1.4 Ten houses used the roads, as well as those accessing The Camp.
- 5.1.5 Local advice had indicated that HC had been maintaining the road for 100 years.
- 5.1.6 A definitive answer as to who was responsible for the road was essential prior to proceeding with the asset transfer.
- 5.1.7 It was RESOLVED to clarify certain aspects of the asset transfer, ascertain questions to be raised and then meet with the solicitor.
- 5.1.8 The Youth Camp was a consideration because of the lease which would make them tenants of the parish council if the asset transfer went ahead.
- 5.1.9 It was noted that the Youth Camp appeared to have put play equipment on land outside their jurisdiction.

5.2 English Heritage request to work with Dinedor Parish Council:

It was RESOLVED to work with English Heritage if the asset transfer went ahead.

5.3 Noted: Letter from Herefordshire Council Archaeology Service, supporting the work of the local Heritage Group.

6. New Lengthsman Scheme and P3 Scheme:

Following due consideration, including the fact that the length of eligible roads within the parish had decreased under the new system it was RESOLVED not to join either of the two schemes at the present time but to reconsider in a year's time.

7. Proposed Holme Lacy Road Traffic Management Scheme:

- 7.1 This would be between the Broad Leys and the Holme Lacy Road.
- 7.2 Planning conditions for the road had not been complied with.
- 7.3 Drawings showed cycle ways down from the Broad Leys to Rotherwas, which would make the traffic lanes narrower.
- 7.4 A question had been raised as to why no restrictions were proposed for under the railway bridge.
- 7.5 It was RESOLVED to invite the appropriate HC Officer to the May meeting of the parish council to listen to local concerns.

8. Finance: It was RESOLVED to make payments 8.1 to 8.4 inclusive.

- 8.1 Payment of invoice from A4 Office Products - £39.53.
- 8.2 Donation to St Andrews Church for churchyard maintenance.
- 8.3 To consider invoice from Upper Bridge Enterprises re Website - £111 + VAT.
- 8.4 To consider HALC subscription 2015/16 £219.78+VAT and clerk cover services.
- 8.5 Noted: Payment from Herefordshire Council - £945.
- 8.6 Noted: VAT refund of £405.95.
- 8.7 Noted: Band D Council Tax amount of £91.42 for financial year 2015/16.

9. Pensions Regulator: Members noted the requirement for auto enrolment which would be undertaken at the appropriate time by the Clerk.

10. Neighbourhood Plan:

10.1 A re-draft had been sent to Kirkwells and they had produced a further document which had been considered by the Steering Group.

10.2 The Steering Group was concentrating on producing a draft document for local consultation via a series of public meetings.

10.3 It was noted that the Core Strategy was unlikely to be adopted before the Autumn of 2015.

11. The resignation of Peter Greenow and the resulting vacancy was noted. There was no need to advertise the vacancy due to the impending elections.

12. Items of information were noted as:

12.1 Hereford Enterprise Zone – Rotherwas: February Newsletter.

12.2 HALC 'Information Corner' & attachments – 2.3.15.

13. Date of Annual Meeting: Thursday 14th May 2015

Date of Annual Parish Meeting: 26th May 2015: The evening would include a presentation on the Neighbourhood Plan.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.00 pm.

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