

A Meeting of Dorstone Parish Council was held in Old School Hall Dorstone on **Wednesday June 14th 2017 at 7.30pm.**

Present: Councillor C Thomas, Chairman, Councillor T Usher, Councillor Gethin, Councillor A Phillips, Councillor D Phillips & Mr C Hendy Parish Council Clerk.

Also present Councillor P Price.

Acceptable apologies received from; Councillor Hession, Holiday. Councillor Meredith, work commitment

Apologies, Golden Valley Police

No declaration of interest.

No representation from the public

The **minutes** of meeting May 17th 2017, having been circulated, were approved as a true record and signed by the chairman.

Reports

Ward Councillor Councillor P Price reported on Hartlebury Waste to Energy Plant; now operational and producing 15.5 megawatts/ hour, enough power for every home in Hereford city. Nutrient Management Plan Board work, meetings and availability of information, recent death of grass verge cutting contractor, Planning, recent training course attended, the planning application has to follow the 3 policies of The National Planning Policy Framework, The Local Plan for the County and a Neighbourhood plan if the application sits in an NP area.

The factors can be weighted according to circumstances, however The Non-material factors are not generally considered in making a decision whereas the material factors must carry some weight in the process.

Planning

APPLICATION NO 171802

SITE ADDRESS: St Faiths Church, Dorstone, Hereford, Herefordshire HR3 6AW

DESCRIPTION: proposed installation of oak louvres to tower roof associated with bells restoration project

Councillors discussed the application, no letters of support or objection, Councillors resolved to support the application

The council congratulate the Friends of St. Faith's on securing grant aid to restore the Bells in the Church.

APPLICATION NO 171674

SITE ADDRESS: Long House Farm, Dorstone, Hereford HR3 6BL

DESCRIPTION: proposed extensions and detached garage and storage buildings

Application had been passed to Councillor Meredith, no letters of support or objection, after discussion councillors resolved to support the application

Planning Decision

Application No; 170941

Site address; Barn at Pitt Farm, Pitt Road, Dorstone, Herefordshire HR3 6BL

Description; Conversion of existing barn to form a 4 bedroom dwelling, demolition of existing portal frame buildings and creation of residential curtilage.

Approved with conditions, the officers report and decision notice had been circulated, noted a water conservation and efficiency measure had been imposed, currently maximum of 110 litres per person per day, the water conservation and efficiency measures to be maintained for the lifetime of the development.

HALC, Newsletter included information on course availability, newsletter of police & crime commissioner, code of conduct

Finance

Insurance

Three council volunteers have been added to the policy with immediate effect. a record of any council volunteers to be kept, Tree Wardens; Julian Reeves Nick Longman Charlie Eglington There is a need to carry out the relevant risk assessments for all activities/tasks that they will carry out and ensure that all health and safety measures are adhered to. Full training given by Herefordshire Tree Warden Network who have been requested for a risk assessment for work undertaken.

An adjusted schedule of cover to reflect the addition of the BT Telephone Kiosk, no additional charge for the forthcoming year's insurance.

Clerks salary May £125 June £125

Insurance premium £358.55

HMRC £93.68

Internal Auditor £42

All payments authorised

Internal Auditor, accounts inspected and confirmed & declaration made.

Annual Governance Statement, Councillors considered, approved and signed the Annual Governance Statement.

Accounting Statement, Councillors considered, approved and signed the accounting statement.

Telephone Kiosk

The telephony has been removed and the engineer has carried out the repairs, including the light.

BT were unable to recommend an insurance level.

Public Space Protection Order

The Public Space Protection Order (PSPO) was created by the 2014 Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act to deal with any nuisances or problems in a particular area that affects the local community's quality of life. PSPOs impose conditions or restrictions on people using that area.

The PSPO for dog control will replace the four existing Dog Control Orders which were previously made by the council under the provisions of the Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005 and which will cease to have effect from 20 October 2017.

In summary the proposed PSPO for dog control would:

- Require dog owners to remove dog faeces
- Require dogs to be kept on leads within land that is used as a memorial, burial ground, cemetery or garden of remembrance Dorstone; Churchyard & New Burial ground
- Require dog owners to put their dog on a lead when directed to do so by an authorised officer. This will apply to any public land where a dog is considered to be out of control or causing alarm or distress
- Exclude dogs from a dog exclusion zone (maps show the dog control areas) Dorstone Bowls club & Children's Play Area

Councillors noted the proposed changes

Councillors code of conduct, this has been updated and adopted by Herefordshire Council who has asked if the PC will be adopting the revised code. Advice from HALC currently is not to adopt until after 2019 elections, Councillors resolved to follow the advice

Countywide Broadband event, 19th June 6-00pm Hereford, two delegates were invited to attend. The event will be looking at the achievements so far of the Fastershire project as well as finding out the details of the next phase of rollout, with an opportunity to use the line checker to find out premises in Phase 2, with further information for households and businesses that fall within Phase 3. Councillor A Phillips & Councillor Usher volunteered to attend

Information; Herefordshire City of Culture Bid 2021, Herefordshire Cultural Partnership has submitted a bid for **City of Culture for 2021** on behalf of Hereford and the whole county.

Eleven cities are bidding for the title from across the UK. The Department of Culture, Media and Sport will produce a shortlist of cities invited to submit a full application, with the final decision on the winning bid to be announced in November. Currently awaiting news of shortlisting, which is now anticipated to be in mid to late June; the decision has been slightly delayed due to the General Election.

AOB

An application to determine if planning permission was required for a barn at Scar Lane Dorstone had just been made.

Date of next meeting; TUESDAY JULY 11th 2017 due to the unavailability on July 12th

No further business the chairman thanked those who had attended & closed the meeting at 09.15

Signed Councillor C Thomas

July 11th 2017