

WHITCHURCH AND GANAREW GROUP PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on 11 April 2023 at Whitchurch Memorial Hall

PRESENT R Smith (Chairman) D Williams S McInerny S Morris S Cole J Smith-Milne
T Watson

ATTENDING K Shilton (Clerk)

1. OPEN DISCUSSION FOR THE PUBLIC Not required

2. APOLOGIES Ward Councillor Y Watson and G Hassall

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST None reported

4. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING HELD 14 MARCH 2023

These were agreed and confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

5. ACTION POINTS FROM THE MINUTES There were no outstanding matters

6. PLANNING MATTERS AND APPLICATIONS

230798 Losito Stud cover over existing horse menage

The meeting objected to this application – reference HC 507014630

230930 Rocklands removal of conservatory and replacement with garden room and porch

The meeting gave no objections to this application - reference HC 507018402

230116 Highview a barn for storage tools for agricultural purposes

The meeting objected to this application – reference HC 507729966

230677 – 4 Old Court Bank 2 storey rear extension

The meeting gave no objections to this application – reference HC 503325117

7. REPORT FROM WARD COUNCILLOR

Circulated to all members and available on the pc website.

8. REPORTS FROM OFFICERS AND WORKING GROUPS

Chairman – meetings with residents and Clerk relating to parish matters.

Footpaths Officers – the Clerk attended the Herefordshire Council PROW meeting and future funding available for public rights of way projects.

Finance working group – will meet end April 2023 to review the year end accounts and preparation papers for audit.

Lengthsman working group – spring / summer schedule now implemented. The Clerk was handed an envelope regarding the previous lengthsman work. This will be given to the working group members for consideration.

Community Hub / Good Neighbour Scheme / Sticky Little Fingers – all going well.

Website / app / publicity – interest and usage increasing.

9. FINANCIAL MATTERS

The Clerk reviewed the status of the bank account and the steps being taken regarding finance year end and meeting of the finance working group.

Coronation participation – the meeting was informed that there appears to be no organised gathering for this event / rather possibly private groups. The meeting resolved that no financial participation was therefore required.

Payments

Lengthsman parish maintenance work £1644.09

Open Spaces subscription £45.00

10. ROADS AND TRAFFIC MATTERS

It appears that a hedge has been taken away on land adjacent new house build.

The Chairman and Clerk will investigate at the next parish inspection.

The meeting discussed the recent statement from Herefordshire Council regarding road maintenance and BOATS. The condition of the Doward BOATS continues to worsen especially through the heavy rain. Actions - both from Herefordshire Council and residents own participation was discussed. The Chairman and Clerk will discuss further with HC management what immediate actions are to be taken following the last site meeting / lanes inspection including resident self-help opportunities.

Overhanging branches and the state of pavements – school walk – was discussed with the resolution that the Chairman and Clerk will include this on their next parish inspection together with the brook and drains.

11. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED / DISTRIBUTED No further comments made

12. OUR MISSING POST BOX

An unbelievable time since our village post box disappeared!

S Morris continues to investigate a replacement and hopefully has now a contact that can assist with some action.

13. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA No new items proposed

NEXT MEETINGS WILL BE HELD ON 30 MAY 2023 AT 7PM AT WHITCHURCH MEMORIAL HALL

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING WHITCHURCH / GANAREW

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The meeting started at 7pm and ended at 8pm

Signed

Chairman

Date