

WHITCHURCH AND GANAREW GROUP PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on 8 April 2025 at Whitchurch Memorial Hall

PRESENT R Smith (Chairman) D Williams S Cole S Morris R Mutlow

ATTENDING K Shilton (Clerk) Ward Councillor S Cole one resident and our Ross on Wye local Community Police Officer

APOLOGIES T Watson

DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS None reported

1 OPEN DISCUSSION FOR THE PUBLIC

Our CPO explained that within their parish function they did not receive reports of A40 traffic incidents.

The local poaching incidents reported by our chairman were being investigated.

Our CPO attends regularly the Good Neighbour Scheme events talking with residents.

We are fortunate as a parish that we have at the moment no major issues.

2 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 11 FEBRUARY 2025

NOTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 11 MARCH 2025

Both were agreed and confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

3 ACTION POINTS FROM THE MINUTES

Grit bins location survey – the final phase is being arranged with our Chairman and the BB locality steward. This will then give a comprehensive map of all locations.

Following this an agreement will be made as to service function levels.

Our lengthsman is repairing some required site locations including replacement grit bins.

4 PLANNING MATTERS AND APPLICATIONS

250603 proposed build dwelling for house manager Symonds Yat Park.

Following discussion, the meeting gave no objections to this application.

5 WARD COUNCILLOR

Reports are available on the parish council website.

6 REPORTS FROM OFFICERS AND WORKING GROUPS

Chairman – attended the planning zoom meeting presentation for the county building plans following the revised central government policy.

Site meetings with our lengthsman and review meeting with Clerk.

Footpaths – parish inspections show some works required which will be coordinated with our lengthsman.

Finance working group – accounts review meeting end April 2025.

Lengthsman working group – reference above notes.

Community Hub / Good neighbour Scheme activities – VE Day celebrations were reviewed with everyone invited !

Website / app / publicity – all available to public and council.

7 FINANCE MATTERS

The Clerk reviewed the status of the bank account.

Year-end accounts being prepared – reference finance working group.

Play area – second improvement phase agreed / planned with site meetings now required for quotations.

8 ROADS AND TRAFFIC MATTERS

Meeks Well Lane repairs are delayed due to contractor related problems.

Doward Ring Road – a resident has written to Herefordshire Council for works to be carried out on this busy road (some 95 homes and services associated).

The letter will be circulated to all pc members.

Village end Llangrove Road – we are hopeful that the agreed safety signage will shortly take place.

9 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

GENERAL - as circulated to all pc members including meeting invitations.

PARISH RELATED – responsibility of weeding clock tower area / Clerk responded.

10 ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Co-option of a new council member

Annual Parish Meeting – Chairmans report

Annual Meeting of the Parish Council – appointments and officers

Ordinary Parish Council meeting – specific action points

The meeting started at 7pm and ended at 7.40pm

Signed

Chairman

Date

NEXT MEETING

TO BE HELD ON 13 MAY 2025 AT 7PM AT WHITCHURCH MEMORIAL HALL.

REFERENCE AGENDA ITEMS ABOVE.