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LINTON PARISH COUNCIL

Bromsash Gorsley and Linton

Minutes Of The Meeting Held On February 11th 2008
In Gorsley Village Hall at 7:30 pm

Present:

- Cllr Jean Foley, Chairman
- Cllr Ken Downham, Vice-Chairman
- Cllr Andrew Gardner
- Cllr Phil Page
- Cllr Lin Billinger
- Cllr Michael Cluley
- Cllr Laura Keene

Annette Steele (Clerk)

8 Parishioners attended plus Moira Jenkins (Herefordshire & Worcestershire Earth Heritage Trust) & Community Support Officer Paul Leighton

Minute Item	Action
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Apologies	
1.1	Cllrs Max Gough, Jackie Gough & Margaret Pearce
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Declarations of Interest	
2.2	None
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Minutes of the Meeting Held on 14th January 2008	
3.1	These were accepted without change and duly signed by the Chairman.
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Matters arising therefrom not covered in the Agenda	
4.1	The Chairman read out the following statement "During the closed session at the December 07 meeting Council believed that Cllr. Page had resigned. Cllr. Page did not attend the January meeting nor did he send apologies. Therefore at the January meeting I asked the Clerk to write to Cllr. Page and request him to confirm in writing his resignation. He did not reply to that letter. During a subsequent telephone call I made to him he advised me that he did not intend to resign and would be attending the February meeting. I hope we can all now continue in a co-operative way with our full complement of 10 councillors. There will be no further discussion of this matter or of the events leading to it during this meeting. It is perhaps an appropriate time for a reminder that any complaints should always be detailed in writing to the clerk, the letter will then be made a separate agenda item for discussion by the full council "
4.2	Item 9.1 (Dec 10 th)-The tree work in Quarry Lane was completed on Jan 16 th .
4.3	Item 12.3-The Clerk has liaised with Keith Summers re the website and can now upload minutes/agendas & notices directly onto the site. The Clerk was asked to write and thank Keith for his continued help with the website.
4.4	Item 14.2-The pot holes in Quarry Lane have once again been reported to CHDC and are to be investigated.
	The Clerk
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Talk by Moira Jenkins-Herefordshire & Worcestershire Earth Heritage Trust	
5.1	Moira Jenkins gave a very informative talk about the geological aspects of Linton Quarry.

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She said that it would be an ideal site for a new scheme called the “Champions Project” which is due to start in April 08. This project involves a representative from the Earth Heritage Trust training local people over a period of a year to take groups to sites such as Linton Quarry. Jessica McDonald will be running this project and she will be contacting the Clerk in due course.

Community Support Officer Paul Leighton

CSO Paul Leighton said that youths have been causing trouble outside Linton Village Hall. He asked anyone who witnesses anything to report it to the Police and assured everyone that all incidents will be investigated.

There have been thefts of diesel oil and fuel from local farms. He asked that all efforts are made to secure tanks and to be vigilant. Trailers have also been targeted and again he advised that these are securely locked when not in use.

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- 6.1 **Linton Quarry**
There have been two enquiries regarding purchasing the wood felled following the recent tree work. It was agreed to offer the wood in 2 lots at £40.00 per lot. The Clerk will contact the people concerned. The Clerk
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- 7.1 **Allotments-update re meeting held on Feb 5th**
The Clerk advised that the meeting was well attended by 10 allotment holders, 2 Councillors and a representative of Newent Allotments Association who gave a short talk.
The process of forming the Allotment’s Association has begun and will hopefully be fully operational in the next 6-8 weeks.
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- 8.1 **Parish Talk Grant Application**
To date no correspondence has been received following the application.
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- 9.1 **Accounts, Treasurer’s Report and Authorisation of Payment of Accounts**
£900.00 has been transferred from Alliance & Leicester to Lloyds TSB to cover this month's payments.
- 9.2 Proposed by Cllr Lin Billinger, seconded by Cllr Phil Page and approved unanimously, IT WAS AGREED to pay the following invoices and the cheques were duly signed.
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| AP463 | Clerk's Salary for January 2008 | 243.00 |
| AP464 | Clerk's Expenses for January 2008 | 20.47 |
| AP465 | Allotment Water from July 07-Jan 08 | 14.97 |
| AP466 | Tree work-Quarry Lane | 634.50 |
- 9.3 The following income has been received since the last meeting:
Alliance & Leicester Community Instant Reserve Interest of £31.50
Lloyds TSB BIA Interest of 5p
Dividend Consolidated Stock 31p
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- 10.1 **Working Party Reports**
FOOTPATHS
Nothing to report
- 10.2 **PLANNING**
- 10.2.1 P228-DCSE2007/3696/F-Proposed construction of a dwelling. Land adjacent to

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Moorcroft, Old Manse Lane, Gorsley. HR9 7SJ. Permission granted on 15/01/08.

10.2.2 P230-DCSE2008/0150/F-Demolish existing sun room and build new sun room. Lynders Lodge, Upton Bishop. HR9 7UQ. Council supports.

10.2.3 Hartleton Holiday Complex- The Chairman has sent an e-mail to Cllr Harry Bramer, the Head of Legal Services, Chief Planning Officer, the Development Control Manager and Steven Holder-Planning Officer raising concerns about the development at Hartleton.

11 Chairman's Announcements

11.1 None.

12 Correspondence

12.1 The following correspondence was tabled.

D2277	17/01/2008	Consultation on orders & regulations relating to the conduct of Members	Communities & Local Gov.
D2278	17/01/2008	Funding Directory	CHDC
D2279	17/01/2008	Community Forums-Larruperz Centre 06/02/08	CHDC
D2280	17/01/2008	Hfds Community Development Strategy	CHDC
D2281	17/01/2008	Review of school provision in Herefordshire consultation	CHDC
D2282	21/01/2008	Questionnaire re review of school provision in Herefordshire	CHDC
D2283	21/01/2008	Consultation Herefordshire Transport Asset Management Plan	CHDC
D2284	21/01/2008	Consultation on the validation of planning applications	CHDC
D2285	23/01/2008	Parish Council Election Costs-Final cost	CHDC
D2286	24/01/2008	Announcement of recall of draft proposals for school review	CHDC
D2287	26/01/2008	HVA News-Feb 08	HVA
D2288	29/01/2008	Precept payments 2008/9	CHDC
D2289	30/01/2008	Appointment of external auditor by Audit Commission-Mazars LLP	Audit Commission
D2290	30/01/2008	Paris Plan Implementation Grants for parish Councils	CHDC
D2291	04/02/2008	Newsline magazine	Community First
D2292	01/02/2008	Herefordshire Council School closure plan-meeting 28/02/08	Robert Owen Society
D2293	06/02/2008	G&KPC Minutes 10/01/08	G&KPC

12.2 D2283-The Chairman asked all Cllrs to complete the questionnaire in their copy of Herefordshire Matters.

12.3 D2285-The final cost for the election is £21.72. Payment is requested on receipt of invoice which to date has not arrived.

12.4 D2289-The Clerk advised that the previous External Auditors UHY Hacker Young have been replaced by Mazars LLP.

12.5 The Clerk has received confirmation from CHDC that they are not allowing new parishes to join the urban grass-cutting scheme for the forthcoming financial year. Where the Lengthsman scheme does not operate CHDC carries out two annual grass cuts.

12.6 Margaret Highton, the Clerk to G&K PC has advised that the notes from the joint meeting are to be circulated to other parties including Gloucestershire CC. All Cllrs were in support of this.

G&K PC are to meet with representatives from Gloucestershire CC on March 6th at 10:00am. They enquired if a representative from Linton Parish Council would like to attend. The Clerk will contact all Cllrs and advise Margaret Highton.

It was also suggested that Linton PC write to CHDC with regard to the items discussed at the joint meeting enclosing a copy of a letter that G&K PC will write to Gloucestershire CC and vice versa. It is hoped that this dual approach will help to get some of the issues resolved.

The Clerk was asked to write to CHDC with a copy to Cllr Harry Bramer.

13 Councillors' Submissions, including Village Events

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- 13.1 Cllr Ken Downham advised that £2500 had been raised at the promise auction on Friday Feb 8th.
- 13.2 Cllr Andrew Gardner asked if the details regarding “Cold Callers” could be put in the next issue of The Chimes. The Clerk advised that this had been done.
The Clerk was asked to contact E-on as the electricity supply is to be interrupted in Linton on Thursday Feb 21st and 28th between 09:00 and 16:30. The Post Office is open on a Thursday and the clerk was asked to try and get the days changed.
Following the November meeting, CHDC have erected a stop sign at the junction of Woodend Lane and the Linton Ridge Road.

The Clerk

14 Public Submissions

- 14.1 None

15 Items for Consideration at the Next Meeting

- 15.1 Date of the Annual Parish Meeting.

16 Date of the Next Meeting

- 16.1 March 10th 2008 at 7.30 pm in Linton Village Hall.

The Meeting Finished At 8:55 p.m.