

Abbeydore & Bacton Group Parish Council

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting
of Abbeydore and Bacton Group Parish Council
held in Abbeydore Village Hall
on Tuesday 1st March 2022

No ABPC/MW/113

Present

Councillor Mr T Murcott Chairman
Councillor Mrs A Booth Vice – Chairman
Councillor Mr D Cook
Councillor Mr R Fenton
Councillor Mrs W Gunn
Councillor Mr K Millington
Councillor Mr D Watkins

Clerk Mr M Walker

Also Present

Golden Valley South Ward Councillor Mr Peter Jinman and one further member of the public

The Parish Council Meeting was formally opened by the Chairman at 7.30pm

1.0 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor Mr M Jenkins,
Parish Lengthsman/Contractor Mr Terry Griffiths, Locality Steward Mr Paul Norris and Police not present.

2.0 Minutes

The Minutes of the Ordinary Group Parish Council Meeting No ABPC/MW/112 held on
Tuesday 11th January 2022 were unanimously confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

3.0 Declarations of Interest and Dispensations

3.1 To receive any declarations of interest in agenda items from Councillors
No Declarations of Interest were made

3.2 To consider any written applications for dispensation
There were no written applications for dispensation made

4.0 Financial Report

4.1 Receipts

No receipts received

4.2 Payments

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| Clerk's Salary February 2022 Gross | £369.97 |
| Mileage | £11.30 |
| Postage | £3.30 |
| Village Hall Electric | £4.00 |
| Tax £74.00 NIC £0.00 | |
| Nett Pay £314.57 | |

Cheque Number 000940

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| John Finch Computers Invoice No 01752 | £33.00 |
| 3 Years Backup System | |

Cheque Number 000941



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| Clerk's Salary March 2022 Gross | £369.97 |
| Mileage | £6.98 |
| Postage | £1.95 |
| Tax £74.00 NIC £0.00 | |
| Nett Pay £304.90 | |
| Cheque Number 000942 | |
| HMR&C 4 th ¼ Payment January February March | £222.00 |
| Cheque Number 000943 | |
| Plusnet 31/12/2021 Invoice 00002570640-3 | £21.75 |
| Plusnet 31/01/2022 Invoice 00002570640-3 | £22.15 |
| DD Payment | |

Resolved unanimously that all payments are approved

4.3 Bank Balance

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| Bank Statement @ 4 th February 2022 | No 90 | |
| Business Bank Instant Account | | £13,070.74 |
| <u>Bank Balance</u> | | |
| Bank Statement @ 4 th February 2022 | No 47 | |
| Treasurers Current Account | | £9,694.19 |

Bank reconciliations signed for both accounts by the Chairman

5.0 Public Question Time

A 10 minute period is to be allocated if required to facilitate any member of the public to address the assembled Parish Councillors.

No matters raised

6.0 Queens Green Canopy

Possible site for a tree is on Ewyas Harold Common – Ann to contact the Trustees – no reply as yet. Ann stated that there were trees available from the Woodland Trust in multiplies of 30 trees, some Silver Birch, Rowan and Wild Cherry.

No further information as yet, Ann to make further contact.

7.0 Queens Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

To consider correspondence from Abbey Dore Village Hall Committee

Abbeydore Village Hall Committee together with Dore Abbey are staging a local community Celebration Sunday 5th June 2022.

The Parish Council discussed providing mugs for local children aged 0 – 16 years.

“Abbeydore & Bacton” to be embossed on the mugs.

Proposed by Councillor Mrs A Booth Vice – Chairman and Seconded by Councillor Mr D Cook.

Number of young people to be decided.

8.0 HGV Traffic Issues

To considered issues raised by Councillor with reference to local HGV traffic

Chairman to draft a letter maybe Weight Limit / Access Only / 50mph

Balfour Beatty / Herefordshire Traffic Regulations

9.0 To Receive Reports (if available) from:-

9.1 Golden Valley South Ward Councillor Mr Peter Jinman reported on the following:-

Broadband nearer to a solution and the website for information is live.

Planting a tree on Ewyas Harold Common is agreed but a location is required together with a substantial protection guard due to the ponies on the common.

Herefordshire Council have approved their budget and the 2.99% increase on the Council Tax bill.

Ditching monies are now available

Spatial Consultation requires comments with the closing date being extended.

Leaders letter via email to be sent to Clerk for re-distribution.



9.2 Parish Footpaths

No matters raised.

9.2i Parish Footpaths Officer Vacancy

Vacancy still open.

9.3 Locality Steward Mr Paul Norris

Information sent to Parish Councillors by email.

The Parish Council is unclear of the role of the Locality Steward and require him to attend a Parish Council meeting.

Clerk instructed to write asking for clarification of role.

9.4 Broadband update

See Item 9.1

Herefordshire Council scheme for Broadband – all can apply for a grant Fastershire / Gigabit
Gigabit-capable broadband is a connection that is able to deliver speeds of 1000Mbps or more (1Gbps). Gigabit capable connections are usually FTTP but some parts of the cable network (Virgin Media) are also able to support gigabit connections.

9.5 Golden Valley Action Group update

The Group are now a CIC registered company

Chairman Councillor Mr Toby Murcott to attend a meeting on Thursday and report back to the Parish Council.

9.6 Black Hill Community Network (BHCN) update

Working Group members Toby, Ann and the Clerk

There was a meeting yesterday and a report is awaited.

10.0 Bacton Post Box

Missing Post Box at Bacton update

Chairman Councillor Mr Toby Murcott to draft a letter reference Bacton Post Box.

11.0 Highways and Footpaths Issues

11.1 Options re one or two verge cutting sessions by BBLP for 2022

The Parish Council request “TWO CUTS PER YEAR” for the verge cutting programme
1st May Bank Holiday and 2nd end of August.

Clerk to obtain data reference 1 cut per year and 2 cuts per year

Proposed by Councillor Mr K Millington and Seconded by Councillor Mr D Cook.

11.2 Lengthsman & Drainage Grant Work

Quotations required for Old Rectory, Pentwyn and Duffryn.

1) *Drainage issue on the B4347 near the Old Rectory Abbeydore entrance*

2) *Opposite Pentwyn Cottage approximate cost £1,950.00 + Traffic Management + VAT*

3) Drainage problems at the Duffryn Corner

Clerk to email / post maps of Abbeydore and Bacton areas.

Lengthsman & Parish Paths Partnership (P3) Expression of Interest Form 2022/2023
completed to be sent by email.

(P3) Parish Paths Partnership & Parish Employed Lengthsman

Abbeydore & Bacton Group Parish Council Annual Maintenance Plan 2022 – 2023
completed to be sent by email.

11.3 To receive new information on Parish Highways & Public Footpaths

No matters raised.



12.0 Information Sheet

Planning Result

30th June 2021 Planning Application 212280 Self Catering Holiday Unit
Farm House Farm The Barn Abbeydore HR2 0AL
Proposed change of use of agricultural field to site 4 Shepherd's Huts
for holiday accommodation

Planning Permission Granted 21st February 2022

13th January 2022 1.49pm

Contact Us Form – Herefordshire Council
Highways – Cockyard Grit Bin
The Grit Bin at the C1222 crossroads at The Cockyard in the Abbeydore Parish,
the bin has been knocked over and is now on its back
Could you please arrange to have it put in place so it can be used by the public

22nd January 2022

Hereford Council
Herefordshire Local plan 2021-2041 Spatial Options 6 week consultation information
Deadline for responses 28th February 2022
Information Emailed/Posted {Consultation now closed}

31st January 2022

Thank you card from Hazel Prowse for Dore Abbey
donation received

6th February 2022

Email sent to Terry Griffiths
reference Pentwyn Cottage problems B4347 asking for costings {see Item 11.2}

Bacton Defibrillator checked by the Clerk – everything ok
Batteries expiry date 2027
Pads expiry February 2023


13.0 Agenda of Next Meeting

Queens Green Canopy
Queens Platinum Jubilee Celebrations
Bacton Post Box
Golden Valley Action Group
Broadband

14.0 Date, Time and Venue of Next Meeting

Confirmed that the next meeting will be the Annual Meeting of the Group Parish Council and will be held on **Tuesday 3rd May 2022** in Abbeydore Village Hall, meeting to commence at 7.00pm or immediately on completion of the Parish Meetings if later

Parish Council meeting declared closed at 8.40pm

Signed..........

Parish Council Chairman Councillor Mr Toby H L Murcott

Dated this day 3rd May 2022