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Pillerton Hersey Parish Council

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

7.30pm Tuesday 24th October 2017 at Pillerton Priors Village Hall

Present:

Sian Case (SC)	Chair
Clive Fidler (CF)	Vice Chair
Nigel Walker (NW)	Treasurer
Sara Cichocka (SMC)	Webmaster
Alec Hitchman (AH)	Minute Secretary

Penny-Anne O'Dowell(PAO) Stratford upon Avon District Councillor

Public present	Tim Pearson(TP)
	Tim Newcombe(TN)
	Chris Cooke(CC)
	Luke Sanders(LS)

1. Welcome, apologies and declarations of interest

SC welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies received from Zbig Cichocki and Councillor Izzy Seccombe. No declarations of interest.

2. Approval of the previous minutes

These were approved and signed by SC with the following amendments;

- Item 4 – BT had replied on Broadband issues
- Item 4 – SMC not SC had purchased pockets for notices

3. Questions from the public

TP raised concerns over pot holes on Oxhill bridle road and asked for PC to pursue improvements. He also asked for PC action to help reduce speeding through the village.

TN asked for a Road Narrows Sign to be installed on the Warwick road from the Fosse way to help reduce traffic. He also raised issue of the Flaxlands hedge reducing traffic safety. AH stated that this had been pursued with Warwickshire County Council and they do not propose to take any action. (See correspondence attached to these minutes).TN also asked for his copy of the Enclosure Award be returned to him, SC confirmed this would be done.

LS asked for road child warning signs to be installed due to increased speeding traffic. Discussion on the best solution took place. SC agreed to approach WCC Ema Jones signs officer.

4. Matters arising

Ford sign

A new sign has been erected but has an error which WCC need to correct.

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(*Post meeting note*; sign has been corrected by WCC)

Broadband Improvement

Contract 3 has been signed by WCC. CSW spokesman suggested that fibre to premises in Pillerton Hersey may well be available by the time the work is completed in Hersey but there are no timescales, future broadband speeds or costs which can be currently confirmed.

Flooding works

Flooding works to village green area have now been completed. CF will approach local landowners to ask if they will undertake flood amelioration works. The No Vehicles Parking on Village Green sign had been damaged. This to be investigated.

Action: CF

5. Flooding works update

See above

6. Planning

None

7. Financial issues

NW reported that the current bank balance was £ 3,497.16.

This followed payments of the following;

£23.20 refreshments for Annual meeting
£70.00 contribution to Church mower maintenance
£142.00 cost of Phone box refurbishment

And receipts of the following;

£500 Stratford upon avon precept.

Further costs expected for following which have been paid by SMC;

Website domain biannual cost £22.78
Website hosting cost £47.88 + VAT annual cost.

It was agreed that as the financial position was currently favourable the PC precept should remain at £1,000.00. This was proposed by NW and seconded by SC.

8. Update from District Councillor

PAO reported Broadband issues need to be conveyed to her so that action can be taken. Also there was scope for Business rate relief to be applied for by rural businesses. Issues to note which could be local problems were Modern Slavery and Cyber bullying which could be reported and taken up by the police. Note a Flood exercise would take place in Stratford upon Avon on 7th November 2017.

9. Update from County Councillor

None

10. Correspondence

Correspondence regarding the change of use to the phone box had been received complaining that it was not an improvement. LS was asked to elaborate concerns. These were;

- a) It was unsightly
- b) Road safety was compromised
- c) Conservation area rules may not have been followed fully

SMC pointed out that these points had been addressed and discussed at previous meetings and care had been taken to ameliorate the lighting glare recently.

SC pointed out that she had received several complimentary comments.

It was felt that on balance the current situation should remain.

SC summed up that the overriding issue from the public present and councillors was that road traffic was increasing and speeding was also an increasing issue. SC would pursue WCC Ema Jones to obtain Speed guns; Road Narrows sign; Beware children signs; Pinch point/Chicane type road amendments at village entrance/exits.

11. Poors Lot Trust

Elizabeth Fillmore notified the PC that the new Vicar Rev Sharon Groble was in place and asked the PC to approve her appointment to the Trustees. This was proposed by AH and seconded by CF.

12. AOB

SMC had attended WCC ShireHall reception on behalf of PC.

SC asked if anyone wanted to attend WALC meeting on 1/11/2017.

SC had received a revised Code of Conduct which would need to be reviewed.

13. Date of next meeting

7.30pm Wednesday 24th January 2018 in Pillerton Priors village hall.