

Minutes of Annual Meeting of Lower Bullingham Parish Monday 8th May 2017 at 7pm at The Forge Holme Lacy Road

Present: Nigel Jones (NJ) Chairman Peter Greenow, (PG) Vice Chairman, Cllr David Whurr, (DW) Nick Barrow, (NB) Cllr Andrew Fisher (AF) Barbara Frankham, (BF)

Also, in attendance: -Kath Greenow, Parish Clerk, ward Cllr David Summers and 3 parishioners

1. Apologies none

2. RESOLVED: Minutes of 9/5/2016 agreed & signed as a true record

3. Chairman's Annual report: The Chairman thanked the Cllrs, clerk & Ward Cllr David Summers for their support throughout the last year.

The lengthsman was also thanked for his work in maintaining the verges in the rural areas and designated grass cutting areas of the parish as well as undertaking ditch maintenance on behalf of the parish throughout the year. The footpaths have been maintained within the budget of £345.00 which is given as a grant to the Parish Council at present by Herefordshire Council.

The Neighbourhood Plan has finally reached the referendum stage and we are waiting for Herefordshire Council to notify us of the date for the referendum.

There have been many planning applications for the PC to comment on throughout the year, of which the majority have been given planning permission.

Potholes continue to be a major problem in all areas of the Parish and the Parish Council consistently complain to Balfour Beatty asking for them to be attended to quickly.

Entreprize zone

The Parish Council have representation on the EZ stakeholder Group, and we are working with the EZ to address the inadequate signage for HGV's along the A49 and Holme Lacy road, along with trying to get the police to enforce the 71/2 weight tonne limit at Rotherwas Railway Bridge on Holme Lacy road.

The Parish Council have purchase and installed 3 new noticeboards as the old ones had become quite dilapidated and were not fit for purpose

We have a new Parish Council' website to ensure that the PC are compliant with the new transparency code. Minutes and agendas are posted on the website, along with planning applications and other information relating to the Parish Councils accounts etc.

We are currently in the process of applying for a community asset transfer of green space at St Clares Court. The area concerned has been identified in the NDP as part of protecting open green space in the parish.

We currently have 4 vacancies on the Parish council and we would like to get a full complement of Cllrs if possible. If anyone is interested in becoming a Parish Councillor, please contact our Clerk for further information

4 Ward Cllrs report

There was not ward Cllrs report as such due to the ward Cllr being unwell and recovering from an illness.

5. Matters raised by Parishioners present No matters raised