

KENTCHURCH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of Kentchurch Parish Council held at The Auction Rooms, Pontrilas on Wednesday 24th January 2018

No KPC/MW/072

Present

Councillor Mr J L Pring Chairman Councillor Mr (John) K J Chance Vice – Chairman Councillor Mr J Cole Councillor Mr T Edwards

Clerk Mr M Walker

Also Present

Lengthsman/Contractor Mr Dave Roden and one further member of the public

Meeting declared open by the Chairman at 7.30pm

1.0 Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillor Mr B C Griffiths and Ward Councillor Mr Peter Jinman Locality Steward Mr Paul Norris not present

Lowri Anderson Representative from Hereford City Southside and Rural SNT not present but email sent 22nd January 2018 "I will look at the dates of the upcoming meetings and contact you shortly to advise what meeting we will be attending. Kind regards Lowri Anderson PCSO 40247"

2.0 Declarations of Interest

- 2.1 To receive any declarations of interest in agenda items No declarations of interest were made
- **2.2** To consider any written applications for dispensation No written declarations of interest made

3.0 Minutes

The Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting No KPC/MW/071 held on Wednesday the 15th November 2017 were signed by the Chairman as a true record

4.0 Financial Report

4.1 Receipts

Parish Council Precept for 2018/2019 fiscal year for £7,500.00 submitted to Herefordshire Council

4.2 Invoices for Payment

Clerk's Salary December 2017 Gross	£255.52
Mileage	£17.55
Postage	£2.80
TAX £51.20 NIC £0.00	
Nett Pay	£224.67
Cheque 100963	
HMR&C 3 rd Quarter Payment October November December	£153.40
Cheque 100964	
Dave Roden Lengthsman/Contractor	£693.60
Cheque 100965	



To clear footpaths and vegetation through Pontrilas Village as requested by you

{More detailed information required reference works undertaken}

Clerk's Salary January 2018 Gross £255.52
Postage £0.56 pence

TAX £51.00 NIC £0.00

Nett Pay £205.08

Cheque 100966

4.3 Bank Balances as per Statements

Community Account @ 29th December 2017 £2,088.67

Bank Reconciliation 24th January 2018

to agree with Bank Statement dated 22/01/2018 and signed £5,210.60

Business Premium Account @ 29th December 2017 £16,803.58

Bank Reconciliation 24th January 2018

to agree with Bank Statement dated and signed 20/01/2018 £13,303.58

All Payment Unanimously Approved

{Finance/Reconciliation Sheets given to all Parish Councillors}

5.0 Reports

5.1 Ward Councillor Mr Peter Jinman

Not present and no report available

5.2 Police Report

See Item 13.0

5.3i) Lengthsman Report

Nothing to report

5.3ii) Lengthsman & Parish Paths Partnership (P3) Expression of Interest Form 2018/2019

The Parish Council resolved to submit the Expression of Interest Form for the Lengthsman Scheme 2018-2019 with all available information.

Parish Council's Lengthsman will operate on a reactive basis only during 2018-2019

5.4 Memorial Hall Delegate Report

Councillor Mr Trefor Edwards Delegate to attend a meeting next week

6.0 Public Question Time

Designated maximum period of 10 minutes to accommodate members of the public who may wish to either raise or ask the Parish Council questions

No matters raised

7.0 Neighbourhood Development Plan Update

The Plan had completed the Regulation 16 Submission

An External Examiner had approved the Plan during November 2017

The Referendum will take place Thursday March 15th 2018

Polling Cards will be issued by Herefordshire Council

Advertising required for Referendum

Article to be included in the Parish Council Newsletter and posted on the Parish Council Website

Clerk asked to contact Claire Griffiths Ewyas Harold Group Parish Council Clerk and Councillor Mr Toby Murcott Abbeydore & Bacton Group Parish Council

The Neighbourhood Development Plan although not fully "made" does however carry weight with regards to planning applications.

8.0 A465 Llangua to Pontrilas Saw Mills – Speed Limit Review

Copy of report enclosed and to agree action required

The Parish Council resolved to accept and support the report from ADL Traffic and Highways Engineers Ltd



9.0 **Sunrise Celebration Festival on Kentchurch Estate**

Letters of objection to 2018 festival with reasons - noise, fire risk, etc

The Parish Council were extremely concerned about the lack of notification, Licensing Information, involvement with the Fire Brigade, the Police, First Aid and Traffic Assessments.

Letters had been sent to:-

The Chief Constable West Mercia Police Bath St Hereford HR1 2HT

Commander Hereford & Worcester Fire and Rescue Service Headquarters 2 Kings Court

Charles Hastings Way Worcester WR5 1JR

Chief Executive Hereford & Worcester Ambulance Service Ambulance Station Victoria Road Malvern WR14 2TE

Chief Executive Highways Department Herefordshire Council Plough Lane Hereford HR4 0LE Mr Jonathan Lester Deputy Leader of the Council Cabinet Member Young People & Children's Wellbeing Herefordshire Council Plough Lane Hereford HR4 0LE

The Licensing Team Licences and Permissions - Premises licence Licensing Section Herefordshire Council 8 St Owen Street Hereford HR1 2PJ

Chief Executive The Environment Agency Southern Avenue Leominster Herefordshire HR6 0QF Mr Anthony Bush Parish Liaison and Rural Services Officer Herefordshire Council Plough Lane Hereford HR4 0LE

Acknowledgement received

Letter forwarded to Mr Marc Willimont Head of Regulation & Development Management,

Environment & Place, Economy, Communities & Corporate Directorate

Email reply received

Director Savills The Quadrangle Imperial Square Cheltenham GL50 1PZ

Golden Valley South Ward Councillor Mr Peter Jinman Springbank Ewyas Harold Hereford HR2 0JD Birch Ward Councillor Mr David Harlow Llanrothal Court Llanrothal Monmouth NP25 5QJ

Article to be included in the Parish Council Newsletter and posted on the Parish Council Website

10.0 Spitehouse Rise Pontrilas - Street Lighting

To consider correspondence received from Collins Design & Build

"21st November 2017 Hi Malcolm We have enquired with the Council if they would accept solar street lights and they won't. We will therefore proceed with LED streetlights on the footpath to HC design requirements as per the PC request. Kind regards Russell Pryce MRTPI Planning Manager CDB Planning and Architecture"

11.0 Highways and Footpaths

To receive **new** information on any Parish Highway including Public Footpath Issues

Issues reported to Mr Paul Norris Locality Steward

25/01/2018 Good Morning, Kentchurch Parish Council's Footpaths Officer provided his Annual Report at their meeting held on the 24th January 2018.

The following issues were raised

PRoW KZ5 at its entrance from the C1230 (Waymark required)

PRoW KZ1 from Llanithog Farm is now completely blocked and requires clearing

Blocked drain in Pontrilas under the Railway Bridge Arch

25/1/18 Good Morning, I assume you will have been made aware of the incident on the B4347 at Pontrilas which culminated in a vehicle ending up in the River Dore (see Hereford Times for Details) as of last night no remedial work had been undertaken. The area in question only being marked with Fire Service Tape. Clearly where the vehicle left the road the erection of barrier is a matter of URGENCY and the Parish Council would appreciate an update of what action is to be taken. Best Regards Malcolm Walker Clerk to Kentchurch Parish Council

Can you confirm that these issues will be logged for attention

Best Regards Malcolm Walker Clerk to Kentchurch Parish Council



12.0 <u>Data Protection Changes</u>

To consider relevant changes to the Data Protection Laws in 2018
Information given to all Parish Councillors which comes into force 25th May 2018 - a watching brief

13.0 Information Sheet

Sheet to include update on previous action points and a list of correspondence received <u>Planning Applications Update</u>

2nd May 2017 Planning Application P171547/XA2 Timber and Builders Merchant Pontrilas Application for approval of details reserved by conditions 3, 4 and 15attached to planning permission 142033

Type PP Approval of details reserved by condition

Still Valid

Correspondence Received

23rd November 2017 Life Cycle Information

Stands have already been ordered and erected for Sonya Cary at the Shop/Post Office

22nd December 2017 Thermotor

Information on Speed Indicating Devices

December 2017 Golden Valley Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT) Newsletter

Your team, based at Peterchurch PC 164 Roger Bradley 07976 938755 roger.bradley@westmercia.pnn.police.uk

PCSO 6173 Fiona Witcher 07773 054582 fiona.witcher@westmercia.pnn.police.uk

PCSO 6378 Pete Knight 07773 053919 peter.knight@westmercia.pnn.police.uk

We'd like to take this opportunity to wish you all a safe and happy festive season

News from the Nick Last week we finally moved out of the police station and into offices within the fire station just along the road. As with all moves, it was a bit chaotic for a day or two, and there have been a couple of minor teething problems but we are now settled in, and have been made to feel very welcome by our Hereford & Worcester Fire & Rescue (HWFR) colleagues.

We have no landline at present, we are led to believe we will have a dedicated line soon, but in the meantime if you wish to contact us on non urgent matters, our mobile numbers are on the front page.

As with the old station, there is no counter service and we are unable to receive callers at the door without a prior appointment, so please call us if you need to see us and we can arrange a mutually convenient time and location.

Crime Trends 1st – 30th November 2017 Sometime between 1.30pm on Saturday 4th and 1.30pm on Sunday 5th November, damage was caused to the perimeter fence of Madley Environmental Study Centre and a cabin on the site was broken into. A few sweets were taken from the site Incident ref 168-s-061117

A number of items were stolen from the front and rear of a property in Clifford sometime in the three weeks leading up to 12th November. Items taken include a mobility scooter – make unknown, a bag of chopped wood and a chainsaw Incident ref 412-s-12.11.17

Two pints of milk were stolen from a rear doorstep in Lowfield Meadow, Kingstone, between 5am and 8.15 am on Tuesday 14th November Incident ref 238-s-141117

A holiday cottage in Michaelchurch Escley was broken into sometime during the four weeks leading up to 15th November, and a rocking horse was stolen – see photo overleaf Incident ref 179-s-151117



If you have any information regarding any of the above crimes you can contact police on 101, in an emergency please dial 999. Please be aware that any information provided within this letter is to inform you of incidents of note and to request possible assistance. We do not want to worry you in anyway.

Any incidents stated are infrequent and spread about a wide area, and are over a whole month. Herefordshire is a safe place to live!



Arrests etc for November

Two males from Hereford, one aged 18 and one aged 19 were issued with £80 fixed penalty notices by colleagues from Herefordshire Council's Community Protection Enforcement team for fly tipping in Ruckhall in September. A quantity of used gas canisters were found in bin liners thrown behind a hedge by a local resident, and enquiries by the CPE team led them to the culprits, who admitted the offence in interview.

A 21 year old male from Eaton Bishop was arrested for criminal damage, he received a caution.

A 16 year old male and an 18 year old male, both from Kingstone, were arrested on suspicion of burglary in the village. They were released without charge.

A 40 year old male from Ewyas Harold was arrested on suspicion of drink/drive on the A465, he is on police bail.

A 26 year old male from Eaton Bishop was arrested on suspicion of being drunk and disorderly, and assault; he is on police bail.

A 17 year old male from Pontrilas was arrested on suspicion of drink/drive and is on police bail.

How to Contact Us 101 to talk to your local SNT or report a crime

goldenvalley.snt@westmercia.pnn.police.uk www.westmercia.police.uk @GValleyCops

Only call 999 in an emergency, when a crime is in progress or life is in danger

Crime Trends 1st – 31st December 2017 Overnight on Tuesday 12th/Wednesday 13th December a large outbuilding at the rear of a residential property in **St Margarets** was broken into and a large number of tools and power tools were stolen.

A neighbour saw a male in a hoody walking away from the property around 5.30 pm, and later the same evening at around 8pm a local farmer was approached by a male in similar clothing who asked for a tow as he'd got his car stuck in the snow near the location. The farmer obliged and described the car as a blue VW Golf with a personalised number plate, although the number wasn't taken.

There were two large spotlights on the front bumper. The male had a strong Welsh accent and said he came from Abergavenny and that he was a bricklayer. He reeled off the names of several local farmers who he claimed had given him permission to go rabbiting on their land. Enquiries are continuing. These details were circulated to local residents at the time Incident ref 108-s-131217

A dark Mercedes vehicle – no registration – was seen leaving a farm in **Michaelchurch Escley** at 4.30pm on Saturday 16th December as the owners were returning home.

The occupants of the Mercedes were challenged and the two males said they were looking for batteries and scrap. The males were described as 25-30 years with no particular accent, one had short hair wearing a baseball cap and wearing a woolly jacket; the other had fairly long hair and was very cheeky.

They went on their way, but on reaching their yard the owners discovered that an attempt had been made to enter one of the outbuildings and a padlock had been forced off and taken Incident ref 574-s-161217 Earlier the same afternoon, a vehicle with a similar description with two male occupants appeared in a farm yard in **Craswall**, the farmer was in the yard and they asked for batteries and scrap.

Later the vehicle was seen again at the top of Longtown, where it was joined by another dark

Mercedes vehicle, it appears the two vehicles were together. We had several reports of these vehicles calling at properties in the area that day. Unfortunately no registration numbers were taken.

Overnight that night (16th/17th) an outbuilding at the Craswall farm was entered and a Kawasaki quad bike was stolen Incident ref 352-s-171217

Also overnight on 16th/17th December, a large quantity of firewood was stolen from an open log shed at The Bulls Head in Craswall Incident ref 495-s-171217

Arrests of Note 2 Males from Methyr Tydfil have been arrested on suspicion of stealing a motor home from Allensmore and have been released on police bail.

38yr old male from Peterchurch arrested for assault and being wanted on warrant. He was detained in custody for court.

23yr old male from Preston on Wye arrested for harassment and assault and later charged and bailed to court. 28yr old Eaton Bishop male arrested for assault and was detained in custody for court.

17yr old male from Clehonger was arrested twice this month, on suspicion of criminal damage, assault, drugs and a court warrant. He was initially detained for court.

33yr old female was arrested in Bredwardine on suspicion of criminal damage but later released without charge. **Meet the Team** Below are some of the venues where we'll be in January if you'd like to come and have a chat. We will try and vary the locations each month, so let us know if there is an event you'd like us to call in at in the future.

Thursday 18th January - **Ewyas Harold** library, Horsecroft, between 3.00 – 3.30pm

Friday 26th January - **Dorstone** Front Room, between 9.30 – 10.00am

Whilst we will make every effort to be at these events as advertised, there may occasionally be operational reasons why we cannot be there, we're sure you will understand if this happens.

Scam Alerts We have received some emails from readers advising us of recent scams they have received and are wishing us to pass them on to you

"After hearing about all the scams that are going on, I thought I ought to report calls I have received recently from "Open reach" The first was around two weeks ago; a call from a man calling himself 'Steve Smith' (with an Indian accent), who informed me there were engineers working at Pontrilas and he wanted me to check my internet speed.

We has just changed phone providers and my new router had not been connected, I told him this but he asked me to a enter a www address he gave me, I did try (very stupidly) but no connection, he rang again the next day to see if things were fixed, and then two days later. On that occasion I told him I had a BT engineer on the premises and he rang off immediately.

Two days ago I had a call from a female with an Indian accent again, saying she was from "Open reach" and again gave the same information re engineers at Pontrilas and needing me to check internet speed. I hung up"

Your NatWest Onlline Has Been Closed – this was the heading for an e-mail sent to one of you

Please delete any such emails, and never click on the link

Security warning over phishing email using police branding

We have been made aware of a phishing email that is using police branding to provoke responses.

The email says that the recipient is being summoned to court as a witness and asks them to follow a link, which could then lead to a virus or malware being placed on their computer.

It uses a police.uk heading and suggests it is from the Crown Prosecution Service online portal, but is clearly not official and represents a risk to security.

You are advised not to click on any links and delete it from your account as soon as possible.

10th January 2018

Planning Application 174767 Land South East of A465 near Pontrilas Sawmills Description Proposed re-location of Black Mountain Quarries comprising the change of use of land for storage, processing and sale of natural stone and associated products, stone cutting building, dispatch building, offices, display areas and associated staff and customer parking, sustainable drainage and new vehicular access Type Council Development Reg 4

25/01/2018 Good Morning Rebecca,

Kentchurch Parish Council considered application No 174767 Black Mountain Quarries at their meeting on the 24th January 2018.

Resolved:- Unanimously to support the application in principal but request that because of the proposed location every effort must be made to minimise the danger of traffic movements at the location, using in particular signage and reduced mandatory road speeds.

Best Regards Malcolm Walker Clerk to Kentchurch Parish Council

14.0 Matters Relayed to the Clerk for the Agenda of the Next Meeting

15.0 Date, Time and Venue of Next Ordinary Meeting

The next meeting will be an Ordinary Parish Meeting to be held on Wednesday 21st March 2018 meeting to commence at 7.30pm in The Auction Rooms Pontrilas

Meeting Declared Closed 8.40pm

Signed.....

Parish Council Chairman Councillor Mr J L Pring

Dated this day the 21st March 2018