

## MUCH BIRCH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> FEBRUARY  
2007 AT 8.00 PM IN THE COMMUNITY HALL

### PRESENT

Mr C Anderson (CA), Mr R Brimacombe (RB), Mr D Davies (DD) - Chairman, Mr P Groom (PG), Mr J Jones (JJ), Mr G Sims (GS).

### IN ATTENDANCE

Mrs L Wilcox – Parish Clerk. 5 members of the public.

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** – None ... all Councillors present.

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** on agenda items

2.1 Glen Sims ... Prejudicial interest in item 12.3.

3. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING** – 7.12.06.

Agreed and signed by Chairman. To be noted:- An additional mobile home at Cross Collar had been queried. Herefordshire Council were aware of the situation.

4. **CLERK'S UPDATE ON ACTION ITEMS** – All items actioned.

The Chairman closed the meeting for reports from:-  
*West Mercia Police – PC Bundy & Herefordshire Cllr – Godfrey Davis*  
*Open Discussion for Local Residents*  
The Chairman re-opened the meeting

5. **FINANCE** – Bank balance - £5832.35

5.1 RESOLVED:- To donate £100 for grass-cutting in churchyard in April 2007.

6. **LENGTHSMAN SCHEME**

6.1 Payments considered:-

6.1.1 ... Ditching works on Barrack Hill – RESOLVED:- Clerk to investigate legality

of depositing soil on adjoining PC land. If not permissible, alternative higher quotation (including disposal of soil) to be accepted from Lengthsman.

6.1.2 ... Purchase of weed killer – RESOLVED:- To purchase weedkiller for Tump

Lane Estate & road from school to Kings Thorn - £114.

7. **PLANNING** – see Planning sheet.

8. **ROAD ISSUES**

8.1 Purchase of & sites for 'SID' device re speeding

8.1.1 ...RESOLVED:- Clerk to investigate alternative 'SID' costings. <Action-Clerk>

8.1.2 ...RESOLVED:- Working party to produce sketch plan of sitings discussed

with Council Officer, including:-

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a) Hereford side of old Post Office.

- b) Barrack Hill – near Windrush/Eden Lane.
- c) Wormelow village – bottom of Tump/Monmouth side of shop.
- d) School vicinity.

8.2 Future maintenance of Parish Lane – Clerk to liaise with Council. **<Action-Clerk>**

8.2.1 Personal interests declared by CA and DD.

**9. PARISH PLAN** – To consider outstanding items on Action Plan.  
RESOLVED:- To defer to next meeting. Clerk to provide update. **<Action-Clerk>**

**10. INFORMATION SHEET** noted.

**11. MATTERS RAISED FOR NEXT AGENDA**

11.1 Extension of pavement from A49 to School

**12. PARISH LAND**

12.1 RESOLVED:- To pay valuation fee of £550.00. Noted:- - 50% to be refunded by prospective purchaser of land to rear of Rosebank.

12.2 ... North of Valley View – Barrack Hill - Lessee comments on draft lease handed to Clerk for consultation with PC solicitor.

The Chairman closed the meeting.

*The prospective lessee commented on queries raised in his written statement.*

The Chairman re-opened the meeting.

12.3 ... Rear of Rosebank

A resolution was passed to exclude the public, due to the legal nature of the business to be transacted. The public left the room.

Mr Sims declared a prejudicial interest and left the room.

RESOLVED:- Members agreed to sell a portion of the land to the rear of Rosebank, to the current lessee, in accordance with the valuation from the District Valuer, and subject to conditions.

**<Action-Clerk>**

**13. DATE OF NEXT MEETING** – 1<sup>st</sup> March 2007

Remaining meeting dates 2007:- 5.4; 10.5; 7.6; 5.7; 6.9; 4.10; 1.11; 6.12.

**SIGNED** ..... **DATE** .....