



Committee and Date
Loton and Tern Local Joint
Committee
11 October 2012

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LOTON AND TERN LOCAL JOINT COMMITTEE
NOTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 21 JUNE 2012
AT 7.00 PM IN BOMERE HEATH VILLAGE HALL, BOMERE HEATH

Responsible Officer: Liz Sidaway
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Committee Members Present:

John Overall	Shropshire Council
David Roberts	Shropshire Council
Roy Griffiths	Alberbury with Cardeston Parish Council
Elliott Blackmore	Bicton Parish Council
Mike Wilkie	Bomere Heath and District Parish Council
Lynne Padmore	Uffington Parish Council
Barry Bennion	Upton Magna Parish Council
Gordon Davies	Westbury Parish Council
Lesley Stone	Withington Parish Council

Shropshire Council Officers present:

Mathew Mead, Community Action Officer
Liz Sidaway, Committee Officer
George Candler, Assistant Director (North)

Shropshire Fire and Rescue Officer present:

Brian Welti, Watch Manager

There were approximately 5 members of the public present at the meeting.

- 1 Election of Chairman**
Resolved: that Councillor David Roberts be elected Chairman for the ensuing municipal year.
- 2 Welcome and Introductions**
The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.
- 3 Election of Vice Chairman**
Resolved: That Councillor Betty Carlyle be elected Vice Chairman for the ensuing municipal year.
- 4 Apologies for Absence and notification of Substitutions**
Apologies for absence were received from:

ACTION

Betty Carlyle, Alberbury with Cardeston Parish Council (Roy Griffiths attended as substitute); Malcolm Colclough - Astley Parish Council; John Cooke - Great Ness and Little Ness Parish Council; Tony Hill - Montford Parish Council; Shirley Davies - Withington Parish Council (Lesley Stone attended as substitute) and Colin Barrett from the Local

Policing Team.

5 Declarations of Interest

Councillor Barry Bennion declared a personal interest in the Funding Applications Report (Minute Number 10) in respect of the application from Upton Magna Parish Council as he had been heavily involved in the application.

Councillor Roy Griffiths declared a personal interest in the Funding Applications Report (Minute Number 10) in respect of the application from Alberbury Village Hall Committee as he was Vice Chairman of the Village Hall Committee. He did not vote on determination the application.

6 Notes of Previous Meeting

RESOLVED: That the notes of the meeting held on 21 June 2012 be confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

7 Local Policing Update

No issues were raised in respect of any local policing matters.

8 Resolutions from Parish Councils

None received.

9 Area Director's Update

The Chairman welcomed George Candler Area Director (North) to the meeting. Mr Candler gave two presentations to the meeting in respect of the forthcoming changes to working practices and service provision by Shropshire Council namely Strategic Commissioning and the future ways of working via the newly established company ip&e (copies attached to the signed minutes).

Mr Candler outlined how the Council's services would be commissioned in the future and explained the change in the way services would be delivered and confirmed that the company would be known as 'IP&E - Inspiring Partnerships and Enterprise' and as such the company would be expected, through the Council as a strategic commissioning organisation, to deliver services differently to by offering improved services at a lower cost to council tax payers. He went on to explain that the Council was now able to set up a trading company with the ability to create 'public profit' which would be used to reinvest in improving local services and confirmed that Shropshire Council would always retain 51% of the company but could partner up with other bodies to bring on board other expertise. This new company had been created in response to the need for Shropshire Council to achieve savings of up to £86m over four years. Savings of £46m over the last two years had been achieved, despite there being no increase to Council Tax and with no cuts to service provision. However, further cuts to the Government grant of up to 30% in 2014/15 were expected and, unless the Council came up with new service delivery vehicles to fund and deliver services in Shropshire, it was likely that non-statutory services would be cut in future.

Mr Candler explained how the strategic commissioning framework would be delivered and it was expected to provide lots of benefits for the voluntary and business sectors and that the Council would be able to commission services from others than directly providing services

thereby giving more freedom in how services were provided as long as agreed outcomes were achieved.

Mr Candler was thanked for this attendance and input into the meeting.

10 Loton and Tern Local Joint Committee Funding Applications

The Community Action Officer presented his report setting out details of four funding bids which had been received since the previous meeting on the 1 March 2012.

RESOLVED:

That the following funding applications **be approved**:

- 1st Bomere Heath Beaver Scouts - application for funding the setting up of the 1st Bomere Heath Beaver Scouts Beaver Colony in Bomere Heath - £541.34
- Alberbury Village Hall Committee - application for funding towards the purchase of a new hearing loop system in the Village Hall - £1,500.00
- Upton Magna Parish Council - application for funding towards the upgrading of the street lighting in the Parish - £1,800.00
- Bicton Explorer Scouts - application to help in meeting the costs of the 2012 Summer Camp trip - £400.00

11 NHS Update

The Community Action Officer presented a written submission from the Shrewsbury and Telford NHS Trust following concerns raised in respect of car parking at the hospital.

It was agreed that a representative from the NHS Trust be invited to attend the next meeting so that the matter may be considered in full.

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12 Community Action Update

Mathew Mead reminded each of the Parish representatives to start to think about their placeplan priorities and confirmed that further work on this would be started in September.

13 Future Agenda Items and Questions from the Public

Members of the public were invited to raise any issues of concern and highlight any matters for the Committee to consider at its future meetings.

Issues raised included:

- Road Markings and Traffic Layout at Emstrey Island
A great deal of concern was expressed regarding the road markings and traffic lights at Emstrey Island. It was noted that the island in question was the responsibility of the Highways Agency not Shropshire Council.
It was agreed that Ron Buzzacot be invited to attend the next meeting in order that the matter could be discussed and residents' concerns be expressed.

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NB: Post meeting update.

Shropshire Council Traffic Technicians met with representatives from the Highways Authority and Amey (contractors) to highlight the numerous concerns in respect of Emstry Island and its approach from London Road and Atcham. A request has been made to the Highways Agency for further consideration be given to managing the lane designation on Emstrey Island and the London Road approach issues.

14 Next Meeting

It was noted that the next meeting of the Committee would be held on Thursday 11 October 2012 at Uffington Village Hall.

ALL

The meeting closed at 9.15 pm.

CHAIRMAN.....

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