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Broseley and Barrow Local
Joint Committee

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NOTE OF ACTIONS AND DECISIONS FROM THE MEETING OF THE BROSELEY AND BARROW LOCAL JOINT COMMITTEE HELD ON 21 OCTOBER 2010 AT 7.00 P.M. AT WILLEY AND DISTRICT VILLAGE HALL CHURCH ROAD, WILLEY, BROSELEY

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Present

Mr N Downes, Mrs R Howells, Mrs S Gibbons, Mr P J Robinson, Dr J E Jones (Chair) and Mr P M Whiteman OBE

There were approximately 12 members of the public at the meeting.

		Action
24.	Apologies for Absence/Substitutions Mr N Downes substituted for Mrs S King Mrs R Howells substituted for Mr I Pickles	
25.	Declarations of Interest Mr Downes, Mrs Howells, Dr Jones and Mr Robinson declared personal and prejudicial interests in the funding application from the Birchmeadow Centre Management Committee (They left the room while the application was discussed). Mr Robinson also declared a personal and prejudicial interest in the funding application from the Friendly Transport Service as his wife was a director and volunteer driver. (He left the room while the application was discussed). Dr Jones declared a personal and prejudicial interest in the Broseley Christmas Lights application in view of her position as Secretary of the Christmas Lights Committee. (She left the room during consideration of the application).	

26.	<p>Note</p> <p><u>RESOLVED</u> : That the note of the last meeting held on 3 July 2010 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.</p> <p>Arising thereon:</p> <p><u>Former Hill Top Farm, Floyer Hall Lane. Benthall (Item 22)</u></p> <p>It was reported that Barrow Parish Council had constituted a sub-committee, chaired by Nick Downes, to look into the condition of derelict land at former Hill Top Farm, Hall Lane, Benthall.</p> <p>Mr Downes stated that the Parish Council were interested to know whether two fields could be turned into a nature conservation area, and had written to the National Trust and the private owner of the land affected. No response had been received from either party.</p>	
27.	<p>Broseley and Barrow budget : Funding Applications</p> <p>The Committee considered a report from Ms Karen Bradshaw, Lead Officer on allocations made to date from the 2010/11 Community Chest and applications for consideration at the meeting.</p> <p>(Mr Whiteman took the chair for consideration of relevant applications in the absence of the Chair and Vice-Chair).</p> <p>It was noted that no decision could be taken on the re-allocation of the Birchmeadow Cafe Bar project to the extension project as the Committee were inquorate for this item. Members were informed that costs had risen because human remains had been discovered when digging a drainage trench, which had delayed the project. It also had not been foreseen that the new drains would have to be at a greater depth. The two members who were able to participate in the discussion agreed that Shropshire Council's Cabinet should be recommended to approve a grant towards the extension project.</p> <p><u>RESOLVED</u> :</p> <p>a) To note grants made to date.</p> <p>b) To approve a grant of £800 to Broseley Christmas Lights Committee.</p> <p>c) To note the feedback from St Winefride's Church and Willey Village Hall Committee.</p>	KB/ AMW

28.	<p>Funding for Pilot Scheme for improvements to the transport links between Broseley and Much Wenlock</p> <p>Andrea McWilliams, Community Regeneration Officer, introduced a report which outlined proposals for a pilot scheme to subsidise transport links between Broseley and Barrow and the newly built Sports Centre at William Brookes School, Much Wenlock in partnership with the Friendly Transport Service. The pilot scheme would run on Friday evenings, with two return runs, (4.00 p.m. and 6.15 p.m.) at a cost to passengers of only £1. The scheme would be monitored and if it was a success, the Friendly Transport Service might have to consider employing drivers, in addition to using volunteers.</p> <p>A suggestion was made that buses should run on a Monday evening when bingo sessions took place in the cinema in the arts centre at the School. It was agreed that if there was demand for the pilot service this should be looked into further.</p> <p>With regard to public access during the school day it was explained that the School's leisure facilities could only be used by clubs/organised groups. Casual use by members of the public was not being permitted in the interests of the safety of the pupils. The Committee agreed that once the access arrangements at the new school settled down it might be worthwhile to ask whether it would be possible to increase community use and refer to best practice in other schools.</p> <p><u>RESOLVED :</u></p> <p>(a) That expenditure of £5,000 be approved from this year's budget to the Friendly Bus Transport Service to enable a pilot scheme to be set up offering a subsidised transport link between Broseley and the Much Wenlock Sports Centre.</p> <p>(b) That the pilot scheme be approved, as suggested in the report, launching on Friday, 29 October 2010 and then running weekly on a Friday until further notice.</p> <p>(c) That an update be requested from the Friendly Bus Transport Service and submitted to the next meeting on 2^d February 2011.</p>	KB/ AMW
29.	<p>Market Towns Revitalisation</p> <p>It was reported that Shropshire Council had launched a Market Towns Revitalisation Programme, which affected Broseley, with further information provided in an LJC briefing note.</p> <p>Bids were not being requested at this stage, but people's opinions on worthy projects which could be taken forward.</p>	

30.	<p>Putting Shropshire's Safety First</p> <p>Lee Guinea, Shropshire Fire and Rescue Service updated members on various community fire safety activities. He reported that more referrals were being received for the provision of home fire detectors. He reminded the meeting that home fire risk assessment checks and the fitting of 10 year smoke alarms were completely free of charge.</p> <p>There had been no major incidents, and the number of fires had also dropped locally.</p> <p>He asked the meeting to advise him of any parts of the area which had narrow access roads. In responding to incidents at such locations the Service hoped to use smaller fire appliances. (A list of streets suggested by those present was given to him by the Community Regeneration Officer at the conclusion of the meeting).</p> <p>He confirmed that free testing of electric blankets had been available on certain days in the autumn at various venues including Telford Central Fire Station. A member requested that more publicity should be given in future and stated that Broseley Town Council would be willing to assist in bringing such campaigns to the public's attention.</p>	
31.	<p>Current Policing Issues – PACT (Partners and Communities Together)</p> <p>Community Safety Officer Mal Goddard, referred to anti social activities in the evenings by young drivers in and around the car park near Broseley Library. This was being addressed with the assistance of other parties and residents. He also pointed that there had been some successes in targeting boy-racers and pointed out members of the public could provide assistance by making a note of the registration plates.</p> <p>CSO Goddard answered questions about local car parking and speeding issues and referred to the use of flash guns by Penkridge Parish Council, Staffordshire which gave very good quality colour images. If CCTV was introduced locally it was essential that the images were of sufficient quality to identify persons and vehicle registration plates.</p> <p>He also advised that a police officer had been nominated for re-location to Broseley. The person concerned would take up the position when his own post was filled.</p>	

32.	<p>Future of Broseley & Barrow LJC</p> <p>It was reported that Shropshire Council had considered on 22 July a comprehensive report entitled 'Locality Working – Local Joint Committees Annual Report and Looking Forward' from Sam Hine, Head of Community Working.</p> <p>Amongst the recommendations had been a proposal that Broseley and Much Wenlock Divisions should work together as one LJC from 1 April 2011. This, together with certain other geographical changes, had been withdrawn to be brought back to Cabinet/Council following detailed discussions with impacted divisional Members by the end of November 2010.</p> <p>Milner Whiteman and Jean Jones reported upon a compromise proposal which had been provisionally agreed for the creation of one LJC, but area meetings covering the parishes of Broseley/Barrow and Much Wenlock, Easthope, Shipton and Stanton Long would meet separately twice a year. Meetings of the main LJC would be called as necessary.</p>	
33.	<p>Information Items</p> <p>The Committee noted information in the agenda on: Innovating Mobile Library Services Community Games 2012</p> <p>With regard to the latter attention was also drawn to the Shropshire Olympian Festival at The Quarry Shrewsbury on 17,18 and 19 June 2011.</p>	
34.	Public Question Time /Identification of future agenda items	
	<p>It was pointed out that there now two disabled car parking spaces in the High Street, Broseley and they should not be abused.</p> <p>Broseley Town Council had asked that Street Scene should be scrutinised at the next LJC meeting. The Committee noted that Shropshire Council would be outsourcing street cleaning, which would be part of a much larger highways maintenance contract.</p>	
35.	Future meetings	
	<p>It was noted that the next meeting was scheduled for Wednesday 2 February 2011 at 7.00 p.m. at Victoria Hall, Broseley.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Chair</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Date.....</p> <p>The meeting closed at 8.35p.m.</p>	DEW