



<u>Committee and Date</u>
Broseley and Barrow Local Joint Committee
10 July 2013
7.00 pm

<u>Item</u>
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NOTE OF ACTIONS AND DECISIONS FROM THE MEETING OF THE BROSELEY AND BARROW LOCAL JOINT COMMITTEE HELD ON 20 NOVEMBER 2012 AT 7.00 P.M. AT THE BIRCHMEADOW CENTRE, BROSELEY

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Present

Mrs S Gibbons, Mrs R Howells, Dr J E Jones (Chair), Mrs S King, Mr I Pickles and Mr P M Whiteman OBE

There were approximately 30 members of the public at the meeting.

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33.	Welcome and Apologies for Absence/Substitutions The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting. She stated that with the agreement of the Committee she would be altering the order of the agenda and that to allow maximum time for the police report the item on the Broseley Town Plan would be taken first. The Community Action Officer advised the meeting that she would have "Smartwater" available for sale at the end of the meeting or alternatively she could take orders and deliver the "Smartwater" at a later date.	
34.	Declarations of Interest There were no declarations of interest	
35.	Note <u>RESOLVED</u> : That the note of the meeting held on 25 April 2012 be approved and signed by the chair as a correct record.	

36.	<p>Broseley Town Plan</p> <p>Councillor Peter Smith updated the meeting on progress with the development of the Broseley Town Plan He informed the meeting that to date 460 survey forms had been completed and reminded those people that had not completed the survey that there was still time to do it. He added that there were some concerns that the responses were not representative of the local population as very few younger people had completed the form and that to try to balance this, meetings were being arranged with a number of local groups to gain their views.</p> <p>Councillor Smith advised the meeting that four issues had been identified in the responses : -</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Traffic problems, especially excess speeds Action to conserve and improve the High Street What we should do to address the need for more affordable housing How the Council should respond to planning applications for garden infill development in the conservation area <p>and that these had been explored in some detail at a public meeting held at the Birchmeadow Centre on 30 October.</p> <p>Councillor Smith then took the meeting through some of the results and stated that fuller details would be published in the next edition of Town Talk.</p> <p>In closing Councillor Smith advised the meeting that a working group was preparing a first draft of the plan that reflects the comments received and the 460 completed surveys and that the Council hope to have a working draft ready for their meeting in January and then to publicise and take views on this with a view to submitting an agreed Town Plan to Shropshire Council in the Spring.</p> <p>The Chair thanked Councillor Smith for his update.</p>	
37.	<p>Current Policing Issues – PACT (Partners and Communities Together)</p> <p>The Chairman introduced Inspector Rob Thomas and PC Stuart Lippitt to the meeting.</p> <p>Inspector Thomas explained that he was the Inspector that covered the whole of the south of Shropshire area and that he had taken up this position in April 2012.</p> <p>Inspector Thomas informed the meeting that as a result of savings required following the Comprehensive Spending Review there was currently a decision not to fill vacancies. He went on to say that as a result of the need to prioritise response officer posts the number of local police officers was being reduced and that following PC Kinson's redeployment, the Broseley Local Policing area was now being covered by PC Lippitt and 2 community support officers. He added that a large part of the savings required had been found by entering an alliance with the Warwickshire force to combine back office functions.</p> <p>Pc Lippitt introduced himself and commented that he knew the Broseley area as he had been Beat Manager in the past he went on to say that he had a large area to cover but it was his aim to cover all areas equally. He then went on to outline work he was carrying out in the area which included –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The reintroduction of the Pubwatch Scheme – Currently 3 pubs taking part and 1 	

	<p>ban and 1 warning notice issued</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Working with Shropshire Council and Broseley Town Council to set up “skate days” to overcome anti social behaviour (ASB) with scooters & BMX bikes Working with the schools with regards to ASB <p>The Officers then took questions and comments from those present which included :-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> It is not worth reporting incidents to the police as nothing gets done and I may be targeted. Reports of crimes may be made anonymously through Crimestoppers. It is important that all incidents are reported in order that a pattern can be established an appropriate action taken. A lot of ASB arises though drunken behaviour when pubs are closing. Nothing seems to be done It important that incidents are reported so that a pattern of events can be built up. The Police Licensing Officer has powers to request a review of a pub’s licence if there are problems. Following the announcement of the CSR we were told that there would be not cut in frontline policing. Surely the loss of a local police officer in the town is a cut. Overall in Shropshire there is no cut in frontline policing which has been protected by cutting the local policing teams to ensure the provision of 24/7 policing <p>The Chair thanked Inspector Thomas and PC Lippitt for attending the meeting.</p>	
38.	<p>Project Feedback</p> <p><u>Broseley Social Club – Queens Jubilee Gala Day</u></p> <p>Arthur Jones thanked the committee for their funding which had been used to put on the Gala Day. He went on to say that a number of events had taken place and that they were well attended and that everyone appeared to have enjoyed the day.</p> <p><u>Broseley in Bloom - Improvements to exterior of Birchmeadow Centre</u></p> <p>Linda Hardman thanked the committee for the funding which had been used to install planters at the Birchmeadow Centre. She went on to say that the work had been delayed a little due to resurfacing work being carried out but that all would agree that the planters enhanced the exterior of the Centre.</p> <p><u>Willey Youth Club</u></p> <p>The Community Action Officer drew the meetings attention to a montage of photographs which showed the activities undertaken by Willey Youth Club on the Activity Weekend that had received funding from the LJC</p>	
39.	<p>Applications for Funding</p> <p>The Committee considered a report from Linda Monteith, Community Action Officer, which outlined an application for funding from the British Red Cross for funding for their Shropshire Carers project for costs relating to participants from the Broseley Area.</p> <p>Members commented that it was a very worthwhile project and that they would have no</p>	

	<p>hesitation in supporting the application.</p> <p>The Community Action Officer informed members that in order to carry forward and unspent budget it was necessary to identify funding priorities for the forthcoming year. After some discussion it was agreed that priority should be given to supporting community activities and community facilities.</p> <p>The Chair reminded the meeting that there was still money available in the budget and that further applications received within this financial year could be dealt with under delegated powers. She urged any organisation seeking funding to contact the Community Action Officer for further help and guidance.</p> <p>It was RESOLVED that: -</p> <p>The LJC awards a grant of £231.70 to British Red Cross - Shropshire Young Carers Project towards the costs of running the project for the two young carers in the Broseley and Barrow area</p> <p>LJC funding priorities for the forthcoming year are supporting community activities and community facilities</p>	<p>LM</p> <p>LM</p>
31.	<p>Broadband Project</p> <p>The Chair drew the meeting's attention to the written update on the Rural Broadband Project which was attached to the papers for the meeting.</p>	
32.	<p>Public Question Time /Identification of future agenda items</p> <p>A member of the public commented that it had been agreed that an item on highway repairs would be on the agenda for this meeting. The Chair explained that it had been held over to the next meeting in order to give the item on policing sufficient time.</p> <p>The following highways issues were raised: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The need for a Zebra crossing on High Street • A 30 mph speed limit on Ironbridge Road and Jackfield • There was a hedge that need cutting back on Ironbridge road as it was overhanging the pavement <p>Mr Pickles raised concerns as to who would be responsible for monitoring the planning conditions set following the granting of planning permission for the site on Dark Lane.</p> <p>The Community Action Officer reminded the meeting that the Christmas Light Switch On would be held on Saturday 24 November and appeal for more volunteers to help.</p>	
	<p>Chair</p> <p>Date.....</p> <p>The meeting closed at 8.45pm.</p>	