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Market Drayton and Rural Areas Local Joint Committee
10 March 2010

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NOTES OF THE MARKET DRAYTON AND RURAL AREAS LOCAL JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 16 DECEMBER 2009

7.00 pm to 9.15 pm

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Present: Cllr A B Davies, Cllr S Beeston, Cllr K D Calder (Chair), Cllr R Hughes, Cllr R W G Lucas, Cllr D J Minnery, Cllr C Sharp, Cllr R Underwood, Cllr R Wright.

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PEOPLE PRESENT AT MEETING: 55

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr S Clifford, Cllr Brian Gillow OBE, Cllr Mike Hill, Cllr Trevor Mellor and Cllr Janet Smith.

2. Minutes

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on 17 September 2009 be approved and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

3. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

4. Public Question Time

A member of the public asked about obtaining funding for Market Drayton Tigers football team. The Lead Office stated she would ensure he was fully informed about the application process. A member of the public raised a technical planning question about land at the industrial estate in Market Drayton. The Chair endeavoured to obtain an answer and respond to him directly.

5. Love Food, Hate Waste Presentation

- 5.1 Joy Blizzard from Shropshire Council gave a presentation on food waste. A campaign called "Love Food, Hate Waste" had been launched nationally. In summary she stated that 8.3 million tonnes of food was wasted each year, most of which could have been eaten. This amounted to £12 Billion each

year, with the average family wasting about £50 per month. This had a huge impact on the environment. It was often assumed that there would be large differences in the age groups which most wasted food. The age group which wasted the most food was 55 – 64. This age group tended to have older children which meant it was sometimes difficult to plan meals. Measures to help reduce food waste included having shopping lists, understanding use by dates, devising menus for each week and checking the contents of the fridge and freezer regularly. There was a very good website, www.lovefoodhatewaste.com with more information.

6. Police Update

- 6.1 A member of the public stated that speeding was a problem on Warren Road. The Chairman requested that Community Speed Watch be on the agenda for the next meeting. Inspector Klair referred to the success of Operation Vulture which had been running for the last twelve months. The Force had been stopping all traffic on the A41 which had led to a number of arrests ranging from drink driving, driving under the influence of an illegal substance and theft. He referred to the crime statistics in the Local Joint Committee area which had been circulated.

7. Shropshire Council Budget Consultation

- 7.1 The Director of Resources of Shropshire Council and the Leader of the Council, Cllr Keith Barrow gave a presentation on the Shropshire Council Budget. Those present were asked a series of questions and their responses were electronically recorded to help inform the budget setting process.

8. Progress of Projects Funded by the Committee

- 8.1 Mr John Parker thanked the Committee for their grant which had been used to purchase some chairs for the Lyon Hall.
- 8.2 Sharon from the Market Drayton Farmers Market thanked the Committee and stated that the grant which had been allocated to them had paid for two major community events.

RESOLVED: That the report be noted.

9. Issues Raised and Action Taken Report

- 9.1 Mr Bob Ellis from Shropshire Council reported that an item on the Market Drayton Inner Relief Road would be on the agenda for the March meeting of the Local Joint Committee.

RESOLVED: That the report be noted.

10. Future Agenda Items

- 10.1 The Chair expressed her support for holding PACT meetings jointly with the Local Joint Committee.

Chair

Date