

**Committee and Date**

St Oswald & Llanymynech
Local Joint Committee

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7.00 pm

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ST OSWALD AND LLANYMYNECH LOCAL JOINT COMMITTEE**NOTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 14th JUNE 2011 AT 7.00PM,
MORDA AND SWEENEY VILLAGE HALL, MORDA, OSWESTRY****PRESENT:****Members of the Committee:**

Councillor Arthur Walpole
Councillor Mrs Joyce Barrow
Councillor David Lloyd MBE
Councillor Pam Broomby
Councillor Mrs Shelia Bruce
Councillor Dilys Gaskill
Councillor R. Argyle

Shropshire Council – Llanymynech
Shropshire Council – St Oswald
Shropshire Council – Selattyn and Gobowen
Oswestry Rural Parish Council
Kinnerley Parish Council
Llanymynech and Pant Parish Council
Llanyblodwel

Officers:

Corrie Davies
Emily Marshall
George Candler

Community Action Officer
Committee Officer (Notes)
Area Director (North)

There were approximately 25 members of the public at the meeting.

1. Election of Chairman

It was proposed and duly seconded and

AGREED:

That Councillor Walpole be elected Chairman for the ensuing municipal year.

2. Appointment of Vice-Chairman

It was proposed and duly seconded and

AGREED:

That Councillor Mrs J. Barrow be appointed Vice-Chairman for the ensuing municipal year.

3 Welcome and Introduction from the Chairman

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and explained how the Local Joint Committees operated. The Chairman asked Members of the Committee to introduce themselves. The Chairman welcomed George Candler, the Area Director for the North of the County and invited him to introduce himself and

explain the role of Area Director.

4. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Trevor Davies (Selattyn and Gobowen) and Councillor David Ward (Knockin Parish Council)

5. Declarations of Interest

None received.

6. Notes of the Previous Meeting

AGREED: That the notes of the meetings held on 28th January and 1st February 2011 be confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record of the meeting.

7. Partners and Communities Together Meeting (PACT)

PC Pete Dale and CSO Kurt Mabe attended the meeting.

PC Dale updated those present on recent police activity in relation to the issue of GHB, including the study currently being undertaken by Liverpool University, the recent high profile dawn raids of Operation Bubble and a recent visit from the Dutch Police to draw on their knowledge in relation to the issue

PC Dale reported that the number of shed burglaries had reduced this year. He reported that funding to purchase shed alarms was available for vulnerable groups. PC Dale also demonstrated a padlock alarm which was very effective and available to purchase on the internet.

PC Dale was pleased to note the application for funding towards a CCTV system at Llanymynech Village Hall, adding that this would help alleviate a lot of the problems with vandalism at the Hall.

In response to a question, PC Dale provided information on the work and composition of the Bronze Level Tasking Group.

The Chairman thanked PC Dale and CSO Mabe for the updates and their attendance.

8. Focus on Young People

Megan Jones, County Organiser, Shropshire Young Farmers Federation gave a lively and informative presentation on the work of Shropshire Young Farmers.

Sharon Quayle of the Kinnerley BMX Track project gave an update on the project and the work that had been undertaken since the grant from the St Oswald and Llanymynech LJC. She was pleased to report that planning permission had been granted and after a great deal of fundraising, the group had the funds to continue with the project. Sharon thanked the LJC for their grant and also those that had been involved in the various fundraising activities. Quotes for the construction of the track had been received and a decision on the successful contractor would be the following week. Sharon was pleased to report that all being well the track would be ready for use in time for the summer holidays.

Emma Jeffreys of Morda Youth Venture updated the LJC on the project to set

up a Youth Group in Morda. Emma thanked the LJC for the grant. Emma reported that the Youth Group should meet for the first time on 11th July, the youth in the area were very keen to be involved.

Emma added that she would provide further updates as the venture progressed. Councillor Joyce Barrow praised the Group for their expertise and professionalism and the work that they had undertaken to date and wished them well as the venture progressed.

Gareth Johnson the Chairman of the Porthywaen Silver Band began by thanking the LJC for the grant. Gareth gave a presentation on the work of the Porthywaen Silver Band and the opportunities it provided for young people.

A member of the local branch of the Royal British Legion took the opportunity to thank Members of the Porthywaen Silver Band for their continued support at the annual Festival of Remembrance.

The Chairman thanked those present for their updates and attendance.

9. Highways Concerns – Feedback on Special LJC held on 28th January 2011

A list of issues/questions raised at the meeting on 28th January, with feedback was circulated.

Councillor Dilys Gaskill updated on a recent meeting between Pant and Llanymynech Parish Council, The Highways Agency and Amey. Councillor Gaskill stated that she would carry the updates forward into the issues log for the next meeting.

Llyncllys Cross Roads

It was reported that resurfacing work at Llyncllys cross roads would take place in July. The work would be undertaken overnight, so there would be minimal disruption to road users.

40 mph Speed Limits

The Chairman was pleased to report that a 40 mph speed limit would be implemented through Porth-y-Waen.

10. Feedback on Issues Raised at Previous Meeting

A list of issues/questions raised at the meeting held on 1st February with feedback was circulated. No further questions or issues were raised.

11. Shropshire Council's Position on National Grid Consultation

The Chairman provided an update on Shropshire Council's position on the National Grid Consultation, stating that the Council's Cabinet would receive a paper at their meeting the following day, outlining the Council's response to the Consultation. Those present were informed that the Cabinet paper was available to view on the Council's website.

The Chairman also updated on a recent meeting organised by affected Parish Councils and attended by Owen Paterson MP and other interested parties. Arising from this meeting was a request to hold a public meeting with National Grid present. Those present were informed that this public meeting would take

place on Saturday, 18th June at the Marches School, Oswestry.

12 Public Question Time

Glyn Gaskill requested the information gathered from the Air Quality Station in Pant particularly in relation to Nitrogen Dioxide levels from March 2009 on wards. Shropshire Council's Area Director for the North stated that he would follow this up and ask for the information to be sent to Mr Gaskill.

13. St Oswald and Llanymynech Community Fund

13 (a) Arts Funding Allocation

The Committee received the report of the Community Action Manger in relation to delegation of the arts budget of the St Oswald and Llanymynch Local Joint Committee to the Oswestry and District Arts Association. The Committee felt that it would be useful to have annual reports on how the funding had been allocated and on the progress of projects that had been supported.

AGREED: That the St Oswald and Llanymynech LJC agrees delegation of £1,151 it has received to support art activity within its area, to Oswestry and District Arts Association who will utilise it to run a small Arts Grants programme on behalf of the LJC.

13 (b) St Oswald and Llanymynech Community Fund

The Committee received the report of the Community Action Officer, which detailed the bids received for the first round of funding to be considered by the St Oswald and Llanymynech Local Joint Committee.

AGREED: That St Oswald and Llanymynech Local Joint Committee awards funding to those organisations and their projects as listed below.

- A) Llanymynech Village Hall CCTV System - £1,000
- B) Heritage Forum - £1,000
- C) Peels Plantation - £1,000
- D) Maesbury Canal Festival 2012 - £1,500
- E) Llanymynech and Pant Good Companions - £800

13 (c) Devolved Budgets for Vehicle Activated Signs in the St Oswald and Llanymynech Area

The Committee received the report of the Community Action Officer, detailed the devolved funding allocated to the St Oswald and Llanymynch Local Joint Committee for the installation of Vehicle Activated Signs.

AGREED: That the LJC contributes £5,150 of the total cost of £8240 for the installation of VAS within the St Oswald and Llanymynech LJC area as recommended in the report.

14. Update from the Community Action Officer

Corrie Davies, Community Action Officer introduced herself as the new Community Action Officer for the LJC Area. Corrie gave an update on funding

streams available and on forthcoming community events in Shropshire.

Corrie updated on the Bus Strategy Consultation, stating that there were no changes to services in the St Oswald and Llanymynech LJC area.

The deadline for applications for the next round of the Community Fund was stated as 26th August 2011.

Members of the public were urged to complete the feedback forms.

15. Date of Next Meeting

It was noted that the next meeting would be held on Tuesday, 4th October 2011, at Knockin Assembly Rooms.

The meeting ended at 8.50 p.m.

Chairman: _____

Date: _____