



Committee and Date
The Five Perry Parishes
Local Joint Committee

8th November 2012

7.00 p.m.

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**NOTE OF DECISIONS AND ACTIONS ARISING FROM THE FIVE PERRY
PARISHES LOCAL JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 12TH JULY 2012 AT
BASCHURCH VILLAGE HALL, EYTON LANE, BASCHURCH, SHROPSHIRE.**

7.00 P.M. – 9.50 P.M.

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PRESENT:

Members of the Committee:

Steve Charmley	Shropshire Council (Whittington Division)
Aggie Caesar-Homden	Shropshire Council (Ruyton and Baschurch Division)
Roy Roberts	Baschurch Parish Council
Debbie Maddocks	Hordley Parish Council
Dorothy Needham	Ruyton-XI-Towns Parish Council
David Curtis	West Felton Parish Council
Greg Hickman	Whittington Parish Council

Officers:

Sergeant Scott Barnes	West Mercia Police
Brian Welti	Shropshire Fire and Rescue Service
Jake Berriman	Internal Consultant, Shropshire Council
Corrie Davies	Community Action Officer, Shropshire Council
Sarah Townsend	Committee Officer, Shropshire Council (Notes)

There were approximately 45 members of the public at the meeting.

	ACTION
1. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN	
1.1 It was proposed, seconded and Agreed that Councillor Mrs Aggie Caesar-Homden be elected Chairman for the ensuing year.	
2. APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN	
2.1 It was proposed, seconded and Agreed that Councillor Steve Charmley be appointed Vice-Chairman for the ensuing year.	
3. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS FROM THE CHAIRMAN	
3.1 The Chairman welcomed those present to the meeting and asked members of the Committee to introduce themselves.	
3.2 Councillor Steve Charmley apologised that the last meeting due to have been held on 21 st March 2012 was cancelled at very short	

notice. He explained that he had received a death threat and the decision had been taken to cancel the meeting due to health and safety issues.

- 3.3 In terms of the applications for funding that should have been considered at the 21st March 2012 meeting, Councillor Charmley explained that the applications had been considered at the 16th February 2012 planning meeting and the recommendations, which would normally then be considered and voted upon at the actual Local Joint Committee meeting, had been approved under delegated authority.

4. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

- 4.1 Apologies for absence were received from:

- Councillor Jean Duncan, Hordley Parish Council. Councillor Debbie Maddocks attended as her substitute.
- Councillor Simon Gittins, Ruyton-XI-Towns Parish Council. Councillor Dorothy Needham attended as his substitute.
- Mrs Anne Howls, Clerk to Baschurch and Hordley Parish Councils.

5. DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS

- 5.1 Guidance notes relating to Disclosable Pecuniary Interests were read out by the Chairman and members of the committee were reminded that they must not participate in the discussion or voting on any matter in which they had a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest and should leave the room prior to the commencement of the debate.

6. NOTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

- 6.1 It was **Resolved** that the notes of the meeting of The Five Perry Parishes Local Joint Committee held on 9th November 2011 be approved and signed as a correct record by the Chairman.

7. PARTNERS AND COMMUNITIES TOGETHER (PACT)

- 7.1 The Chairman welcomed Sergeant Scott Barnes of West Mercia Police to the meeting. Sergeant Barnes introduced himself and passed on Inspector Amrik Klair's apologies. Inspector Klair was unable to attend the meeting due to unforeseen circumstances.

- 7.2 Sergeant Barnes provided an update on the latest crime figures for The Five Perry Parishes area. In relation to Baschurch, it was noted that within the past twelve months, there had been no burglaries from dwellings and one instance of criminal damage to Baschurch Village Hall. In concluding, Sergeant Barnes stated that compared to this time last year, there have been 41 crimes less throughout the whole of Shropshire.

- 7.3 A member of the public stated that he was aware of drug taking happening on the site of Baschurch Nursery. Sergeant Barnes replied that this had not been reported to the Police and that he was not aware of it. He would instruct the Community Support

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Barnes**

Officer to visit the nursery to investigate the issue further.

The member of the public went on to explain that he was also concerned as the schools would be breaking up shortly for their summer holidays and this could lead to an increase in criminal damage particularly, to Baschurch Village Hall. In responding, Sergeant Barnes stated that the member of the public's concerns had been noted and would be investigated.

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7.4 The Chairman welcomed Mr Brian Welti of Shropshire Fire and Rescue Service to the meeting. Mr Welti introduced himself as the Watch Manager at Baschurch Station and explained that Shropshire Fire and Rescue Service were keen to be present at all of Shropshire Council's Local Joint Committee meetings. He therefore intended to be in attendance at all future meetings of The Five Perry Parishes Local Joint Committee.

7.5 Mr Welti reported that Shropshire Fire and Rescue Service provided a free Home Fire Safety Visit to anyone who requested it. However, smoke alarms were no longer available free of charge to those that could afford to buy one. Further information could be obtained by contacting Shropshire Fire and Rescue Service on (01743) 260200.

8. COMMUNITY PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE

(A) THE LOCALISM ACT

8.1 The Chairman welcomed Jake Berriman, Internal Consultant for Shropshire Council, to the meeting. He presented an overview of the Localism Act and explained that the Act would shift power away from central government towards communities thereby creating new powers for individuals, neighbourhoods and local councils. He then went on to highlight key areas of activity.

At the end of the presentation, questions were invited but none were received.

(B) HOUSING DEVELOPMENT IN THE RURAL AREA (SAMDev)

8.2 Mr Berriman presented an overview of the various stages involved in the SAMDev process. It was noted that the key purpose of the SAMDev Plan was to:

- Identify sustainable growth targets for Shropshire's market towns;
- Identify Community Hubs and Community Clusters in the rural area where some further development will happen;
- Identify appropriate sites for future housing and employment development in market towns, community hubs and community clusters; and
- Provide additional Development Management policies which can be used in the consideration of planning applications.

The SAMDev Plan would replace the existing network of Shropshire Local Plans and could be summed up as being "about proposing a balanced and sustainable approach for settlements".

8.3 The difference between Community Hubs and Community Clusters

was explained and it was noted that Hubs and Clusters would be identified in the SAMDev Plan only where the local Parish Council had put the settlement forward and that the scale, type and location of growth was to be prepared in partnership with the local parish councils and local communities.

- 8.4 The Chairman and Mr Berriman emphasised that SAMDev was about the public and their views and aspirations on how they wanted to shape their local community. It provided the opportunity for everyone to have their say on proposals and it was therefore extremely important that people provided their opinions via Shropshire Council's website or, through their local Shropshire Councillor or Parish Council.
- 8.5 At the end of the presentation, questions were invited. Several of which, related to Parish Plans. The Chairman explained that at a recent Shropshire Council Cabinet meeting, it was acknowledged that money needed to be put into community led parish planning and therefore, Cabinet had agreed to allocate £50,000 to the Community Action Team for the purpose of refreshing parish plans.
- 8.6 It was clarified that money generated from houses built within local areas would be put back into the local community and could be invested in things such as education, medical facilities, open space provision, allotments, utilities and cycle networks.
- 8.7 It was noted that further information regarding SAMDev could be found on Shropshire Council's website (www.shropshire.gov.uk) or by contacting Shropshire Council's Planning Policy Team (planningpolicy@shropshire.gov.uk).

9. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

- 9.1 Q) In referring to a member of the public's planning application which had been raised as part of the question time within the Housing Development in the Rural Area (SAMDev) agenda item, Councillor Roberts asked if it would be possible for a Shropshire Council Officer to attend the next meeting of Baschurch Parish Council in order to provide an explanation of the hold up and what was happening with the proposed development.
- A) The Chairman replied that she would see if a meeting could be convened to address the various issues.

**Cllr
Caesar-
Homden**

10. THE FIVE PERRY PARISHES LOCAL JOINT COMMITTEE BUDGET AND FUNDING APPLICATIONS

- 10.1 The report of the Community Action Officer advising members of ten applications received for funding from the Local Joint Committee budget was circulated. It was noted that the following applications had been received:
- Whittington Castle Preservation Trust: £1,975 plus VAT for a ramped pathway, with a gradient and tactile surface that will suit old, young, able and disabled enabling safe passage without risk of fall or injury in all weather conditions.
 - Baschurch Parish Council: £494 towards equipment needed to

	<p>facilitate and show on-line planning applications to the general public and Councillors at all Parish Council meetings.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Baschurch Junior Bowling Club: £1,576 towards appropriate equipment for the new junior club. • Ruyton Amateur Theatrical Society (RATS): £885 towards new, dry storage facilities for costumes and small props. • Hordley and Bagley Village Hall: £642.60 towards replacing the current curtains in the hall with roman blinds. • Baschurch Playground Trust: £7,500 towards new playground area equipment in the Baschurch area, which includes wheelchair access and equipment for children with disabilities. • West Felton Carnival Committee: £2,000 towards a container to store all of the equipment belonging to West Felton Carnival Committee. • Whittington International Chamber Music Festival: £5,000 towards arrangements for the 1st Whittington International Chamber Music Festival. • Holy Trinity Church Weston Lullingfields: £1,526.40 towards repair work on the church clock. This would cover the cost of the scaffolding and removal of the louvre panels to gain access to the clock hammer and bell. • Baschurch Bowling Club: £2,500 towards replacing the existing greenside floodlights, which have been in place for approximately thirty years. 	
10.2	The Chairman invited those applicants in attendance to present their funding applications to everyone present. The Committee were asked if they had any further comments to make prior to them voting on each application.	
10.3	<p>It was Resolved that The Five Perry Parishes Local Joint Committee allocate funding from their 2012/13 budget as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Whittington Castle Preservation Trust: £1,000 towards the cost of the project as stated in paragraph 10.1. • Baschurch Parish Council: £494 towards the cost of the project as stated in paragraph 10.1. • Baschurch Junior Bowling Club: £637.98 for eight sets of bowls and eight accompanying bags for the new junior club. • Ruyton Amateur Theatrical Society (RATS): £885 towards the cost of the project as stated in paragraph 10.1. • Hordley and Bagley Village Hall: £642.60 towards the cost of the project as stated in paragraph 10.1. • Baschurch Playground Trust: £4,000 towards the cost of the project as stated in paragraph 10.1. • West Felton Carnival Committee: £2,000 towards the cost of the project as stated in paragraph 10.1. 	CD to arrange payment
10.4	It was Resolved that The Five Perry Parishes Local Joint Committee do not fund the following applications:	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Whittington International Chamber Music Festival: £5,000 towards arrangements for the 1st Whittington International Chamber Music Festival. In making their decision, the Committee stated that they were recommending that money again be delegated from their budget to Oswestry and District Arts Association and that the applicant should consider applying to them for funding. Holy Trinity Church Weston Lullingfields: £1,526.40 towards repair work on the church clock. This would cover the cost of the scaffolding and removal of the louvre panels to gain access to the clock hammer and bell. In making their decision, the Committee stated that the application had been withdrawn as Baschurch Parish Council had helped to fund the repair work and the church bell was now working again. Baschurch Bowling Club: £2,500 towards replacing the existing greenside floodlights, which have been in place for approximately thirty years. In making their decision, the Committee stated that they were recommending that money again be delegated from their budget to Oswestry and District Arts Association and that the applicant should consider applying to them for funding. The applicant responded by stating that they had already applied to the Association but could only secure £500. The Chairman suggested that the applicant should also consider applying for funding to Oswestry and District Sports Council as the Committee were also recommending that money again be delegated from their budget to them. The Community Action Officer stated that she would pass on the relevant contact details at the end of the meeting. 	CD to advise
10.5	As part of the funding report, it was Resolved that The Five Perry Parishes Local Joint Committee delegate £1,040 to Oswestry and District Arts Association to enable it to continue to run its arts grants programme in the Oswestry area.	CD to arrange payment
10.6	As part of the funding report, it was Resolved that The Five Perry Parishes Local Joint Committee delegate £700 (5% of its 2012/13 budget) to Oswestry and District Sports Council to enable it to continue to run its sports grants programme in the Oswestry area.	CD to arrange payment
10.7	In conclusion, it was noted that £11,399.58 had been given out at the meeting (including funding delegated to Oswestry and District Arts Association and Oswestry and District Sports Council), which meant that the balance remaining was £7,630.42.	
11.	LOCAL NEWS AND INFORMATION	
11.1	The Chairman highlighted a number of events that were taking place on the weekend – West Felton Carnival, Oswestry Games and an exhibition of the Ruyton-XI-Towns Parish Safe at Ruyton Parish Village Hall.	
11.2	Corrie Davies, Community Action Officer, provided an update on the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Various funding streams available that were currently accepting 	

applications.

- Details of help required / consultations that were currently being undertaken by Shropshire Council and other bodies.
- Forthcoming community events in Shropshire.

Further information regarding all of the above, including the latest copy of the Shropshire Voluntary and Community Sector Assembly Newsletter, was available to be taken away at the end of the meeting.

11.3 It was reported that applications which had been successful in receiving funding from the Local Joint Committee in the last financial year, were currently being monitored. Anyone who fell within this category but had not received a monitoring form was asked to contact Corrie.

11.4 It was noted that the deadline for applications to be received for the next round of Local Joint Committee funding was Friday, 28th September 2012.

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12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

12.1 It was noted that the next meeting of The Five Perry Parishes Local Joint Committee would be held on Thursday, 8th November 2012 at Oswestry Rugby Club commencing at 7.00 p.m.

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Chairman: _____

Date: _____