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Date: Tuesday, 17 March 2015
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Committee:
Cleobury and Rural Local Joint Committee

Date: Wednesday, 25 March 2015
Time: 7.00 pm
Venue: Kinlet Village Hall, Kinlet Bewdley, DY12 3BS

You are requested to attend the above meeting.
The Agenda is attached

Claire Porter
Head of Legal and Democratic Services (Monitoring Officer)

Please note: From 6.30 – 7.00 pm

- Local Police will be in attendance providing an opportunity for members of the public to raise any local policing or community safety concerns.

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Members of Cleobury and Rural Local Joint Committee

Gwilym Butler (Chairman)
Deborah Brown (Vice Chairman)
Richard Huffer
Madge Shingleton
Brian Howells
Vincent Romeo
Stephen Jones

Linda Clayton
David Haywood
Chris Jones
Julian Cleford
Brian Hamilton-Russell
Bill Foster

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AGENDA

1 Welcome and Introductions

2 Apologies for Absence

3 Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

Members are reminded that they must not participate in the discussion or voting on any matter in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest and should leave the room prior to the commencement of the debate.

4 Community Safety & Fire Service updates

An update on community safety concerns
(To note: Local Police will be in attendance 30 minutes prior to the meeting providing an opportunity for members of the public to raise any local policing or community safety concerns.)

5 Decision Notes (Pages 1 - 4)

To consider the Decision Notes of the meeting held on 25 November 2014, attached marked 'A'.

6 Update on Broadband (Pages 5 - 6)

An update is attached to the agenda marked 'B'.

7 Update on Future Fit

To be tabled at the meeting.

8 Planning Policy - Question Time

Andrew Williamson (Shropshire Council, Senior Planning Policy Officer) will answer questions and concerns about planning policy, Place Plans, SAMDev etc.

9 Library Provision update

Gwilym Butler will talk about the latest proposed changes to the Library Service.

10 Youth Commissioning (Pages 7 - 8)

To consider the report and recommendation attached marked 'C'.

11 Public Question Time

12 Identification of Future Agenda Items

13 Date/Time of Next Meeting

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Item

A

Public Paper

**CLEOBURY AND RURAL LOCAL JOINT COMMITTEE
NOTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 25th NOVEMBER 2014
CLEOBURY COUNTRY CENTRE
7.00 pm – 9.00pm**

PRESENT:

Members of the Committee:

Gwilym Butler	Shropshire Council
Madge Shingleton	Shropshire Council
Richard Huffer	Shropshire Council
Deborah Brown	Cleobury Mortimer Parish Council
Vince Romeo	Coreley Parish Council
Stephen Jones	Farlow Parish Council
David Haywood	Kinlet Parish Council
Julian Celford	Neen Savage Parish Council
Bill Foster	Wheathill Parish Council
Chris Jones	Milson & Neen Sollars Parish Council
Brian Hamilton-Russell	Stottesdon & Sidbury Parish Council
Val Simpson (co-optee)	Community Car Scheme

In Attendance:

PCSO Nick Morris	West Mercia Police
Andrew Davies	Shropshire Fire and Rescue Service
Paul Tulley	Chief Operating Officer Shropshire CCG
Dr Simon Rumbly	Worcester CCG

Shropshire Council Officers:

Vicky Turner	Community Enablement Officer
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2. ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

Gwilym Butler was elected to remain as Chairman, and Debbie Brown was elected as Vice Chair

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Linda Clayton, Hopton Wafers Parish Council
Brian Howells, Burford Parish Council

4. DISCLOSABLE PERCUNIARY INTERESTS

No interests were declared

5. COMMUNITY SAFETY & FIRE SERVICE UPDATES

No update from the Police

Andrew Davies from SFRS explained about the knock on effect of the proposed closure of a couple of local fire stations and how Cleobury is covered when the Cleobury fire appliance is out on a shout. – The closures will have no detrimental effect on Cleobury.

6. DECISION NOTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THE 25TH FEBRUARY 2014

The minutes were agreed as an accurate record.

7. UPDATE ON BROADBAND

An update on broadband in and around Cleobury was attached to the agenda.

8. FUTURE FIT PRESENTATION

Paul Tulley and Dr Simon Rumbly from Shropshire and Worcester CCG's spoke about the strategic development in both areas.

Shropshire and Powys

Started looking at the future of the delivery of services and where those services will be delivered from in December 2013, they are in pre consultation engagement currently and have a list of 8 possibilities that will be shortlisted in January 2015. This shortlist will then go out to public consultation and will be evaluated on: access, affordability, and quality.

Worcestershire

Are slightly further on in their strategic process – they started in January 2013 they had 13 options and now have 1 preferred one – with Kidderminster hospital being downgraded and taking planned operations, which they currently give an excellent service in, Worcestershire hospital will be for emergencies and A&E and the Alex at Redditch will specialise in urology and orthopaedic care both sites will become centres of excellence in their field.

Questions to Paul and Simon included:

- Are Tenbury losing their night emergency service? **Not heard any plans about closing it.**
- Concerns were raised about elderly people travelling to Redditch for orthopaedic care **Pre op and post op consultations will be done locally**
- Will staff in the community hospitals be upskilled to ease the pressure by dealing with minor injuries? **This is what Shropshire is proposing.**

Cllr Shineton said that she was pleased to see Shropshire and Worcestershire talking together and hope that it continues.

9. CLEOBURY FIRE STATION PRESENTATION

Unfortunately Deputy Chief Fire Officer, Rod Hammerton was unable to attend – the Committee will discuss at the next agenda planning meeting whether to invite him to the next public meeting.

10. UPDATE ON LIBRARY PROVISION IN SHROPSHIRE

Cllr Gwilyn Butler gave an update on the changes to the library service. The service originally had a budget of £3.9m they now need to make £1.4m savings.

Consultation is being done around the county on a case by case basis. Shropshire Council are in talks with Cleobury Country and consultation for Cleobury library is expected to take place in January 2015.

Gwilym reiterated that Cleobury Library would not be closed.

11. THE EVOLUTION OF LJC'S

From The 1st April £3,000 has been allocated to Cleobury LJC for youth activities – this amount was awarded on rurality.

The LJC will be responsible for commissioning this work and could ask the Cleobury Youth Partnership to get involved. Consultation with the local young people will need to be done

Resolved: to have an LJC planning meeting to discuss how best to spend this money. [This meeting has now been arranged for 7pm Thursday 22nd January at the Market Hall]

12. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

No additional questions

13. IDENTIFICATION OF FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Updates from Broadband, Libraries and Future Fit
Highways repairs
Sam Dev

14. AOB

It was noted that the committee said how well it works bringing everyone together and asked that this is relayed to Shropshire Council.

Cllr Butler asked the parishes to discuss adding to the £3,000 that Shropshire Council are putting towards youth in the area.

15. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Public meeting 7pm, 25th March 2015 Venue TBC

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Update from Connecting Shropshire

Connecting Shropshire is a £26m programme to bring fibre broadband to the more rural parts of the Shropshire Council area, where private companies are not going to provide it as part of their commercial plans. The programme has already started to provide people with access to fibre broadband with download speeds of up to 80mbps (via Fibre To The Cabinet or FTTC), about 10x faster than the average for the county as a whole. More than 30,000 homes and businesses across a range of exchange areas, from Albrighton to Alberbury and St Martins to Cleobury Mortimer, are now within reach of the new fibre broadband network that we're building.

It's a huge engineering challenge and we can't do everywhere at the same time, as we have to build the network out from existing points of presence. In total, we expect to put in around about 13,000kms of the new fibre optic cable, with completion due at the end of 2016.

The first of the exchange areas in the LJC area to go live was Cleobury Mortimer (back in October) where fibre broadband is now available to about 1,200 premises in and around Cleobury Mortimer. Other parts of the LJC area are served by the following exchange areas: Burwarton, Clee Hill, Highley, Kinlet, Stoke St Milborough, Stottesdon and Tenbury Wells.

As requested here is a more in-depth view for the Coreley, Milson, Neen Savage, Neen Sollars and Wheathill Parish Council areas:

Coreley All premises in the parish are served by cabinets 3, 5, or 6 in the Clee Hill exchange. These cabinets are expected to be fibre-enabled this spring.

Milson Most premises in the parish are connected to Cleobury Mortimer cabinet 5. Premises served by this cabinet are currently expected to be provided with a Fibre To The Premises (FTTP) solution, with download speeds of up to 300mbps achievable. Planning for this is still underway and availability is unlikely to start until spring 2016, due to the volume and complexity of the work involved in providing FTTP.

Neen Savage Some premises are connected to cabinets 3 & 4 in the Cleobury Mortimer exchange area, which are already providing a fibre broadband service, so these parishioners can order an upgrade to fibre broadband from their chosen internet service provider (ISP). However, most of the premises are connected to cabinet 2, which is the same as Cleobury Mortimer cabinet 5: currently they're expected to be provided with a Fibre To The Premises (FTTP) solution, with download speeds of up to 300mbps achievable. Planning for this is still underway and availability is unlikely to start until spring 2016, due to the volume and complexity of the work involved in providing FTTP.

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Wheathill Most of the premises in the parish are connected to cabinet 1 in the Stoke St Milborough exchange area. This cabinet is not currently planned to be fibre-enabled.

Please note that not every premise connected to a fibre cabinet will necessarily be able to upgrade to a fibre broadband package. However, Connecting Shropshire has a commitment to provide all premises in the programme area with access to at least 2mbps by the end of 2016 (where current connection speeds are less than 2mbps).

In addition, Connecting Shropshire is tendering for an extension to the current programme (phase 1), which would mean that we'd be able to provide faster broadband speeds to more homes and businesses. At this early stage, it's important to stress that we cannot give assurances that any premises in the LJC would benefit from a phase 2 and, even if they did, the work is not due to start until 2017.

To connect to fibre broadband, people will need to contact their chosen internet service provider to upgrade their broadband package, the broadband speeds won't increase automatically.

Visit our website: <http://connectingshropshire.co.uk/when-and-where/> to check which exchange area and cabinet serves your premises and to check availability of fibre broadband. Also on the website, there is lots of information including FAQs and why faster fibre broadband is important for homes and businesses.

If any Parish would like a member of the Connecting Shropshire team to attend a Parish Council meeting to provide a more detailed update, please let us know on connecting.shropshire@shropshire.gov.uk



Committee and date
Cleobury and Rural
Local Joint Committee

25th March 2015

7.00pm

Item

C

Public

UPDATE - FUTURE COMMISSIONING AND PROVISION OF YOUTH ACTIVITIES IN CLEOBURY LJC AREA

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1. Summary

This report summarises progress and next steps on changes to youth services and activity within the Cleobury and Rural LJC Area.

Following a period of public and stakeholder consultation, the commissioning model for youth activities was developed.

Local Joint Committees (**LJCs**), together with young people and supported by the Community Enablement Team (**CET**), are responsible for commissioning youth activities in their area. A county-wide infrastructure support partner will provide commissioning practice support to LJCs and capacity building support to existing and new activity providers.

LJCs will locally commission youth activity in their areas and will receive SC funding for this. This reflects the council's ambition for LJCs to become local governance structures that enable local councillors, town and parish councils, communities and partners to shape and influence how public money is spent locally and to work with officers in their role as local commissioners.

The provision of youth activities will contribute to the following outcome areas in the Shropshire's Children, Young People and Families Plan 2014:

1. Ensuring all Children & Young People are safe and well looked after in a supportive environment
2. Narrowing the achievement gap in education & work
3. Ensuring emotional wellbeing of Children & Young People by focusing on prevention and early intervention
4. Keeping more Children & Young People healthy and reducing health inequalities

Local outcomes will be developed that reflect the above and the needs and circumstances of the particular area. Outcomes should also be linked to the long term sustainability of provision.

A funding mechanism for future youth activities to respond to specific areas of unmet need in LJC areas has been developed and Cleobury and Rural LJC area has been allocated £3,000 linked to its rural make-up.

2. Recommendation

That the Community Enablement Officer and the Chair of the Cleobury Mortimer Youth Partnership, work with the youth partnership, to bring a grant application that meets with the commissioning outcomes, to the next LJC meeting.

3. Risk Assessment and Opportunities Appraisal

- 3.1 In determining these recommendations the LJC has considered reputational risk and the course of action minimises this risk.
- 3.2 The recommendations contained in this report are compatible with the provisions of the Human Rights Act 1998.
- 3.3 The proposals under consideration will improve the levels of community based and community driven activity in the LJC area.

4. Financial Implications

- 4.1 The funding devolved to the LJC is to be used for youth activities over the year to address local priorities. Funding by the LJC must comply with the general Financial Rules for LJC.