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Date: 11 April 2016
My Ref:
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Committee:
Albrighton Area Local Joint Committee

Date: Wednesday, 20 April 2016
Time: 7.00 pm
Venue: The Red House, Albrighton

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

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

Members of Albrighton Area Local Joint Committee

Malcolm Pate	Peter Mycroft
Stuart West	Hugh Kirton
David Thomas	Sylvia Pledger

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AGENDA

1 Election of Chair

To elect a Chair for the forthcoming year. Members are reminded that the Chair must be a member of Shropshire Council.

2 Appointment of Vice-Chair

To appoint a Vice Chair for the forthcoming year.

3 Apologies for Absence and Substitutions

To receive apologies for absence from members of the committee and notice of any substitute members.

4 Welcome and Introductions

5 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.

6 Notes of the last meeting (Pages 1 - 4)

To confirm the notes of the meeting held on 11th November 2015.

7 PACT Partners and Communities Together (including West Mercia Police and Shropshire Fire and Rescue Service representatives)

A member of the Local Policing team and a representative of Shropshire Fire and Rescue Service will update the meeting on local issues.

8 Local Commissioning - Albrighton Library

To note that the refurbishment of the library was now complete and the Parish Council had recently relocated to their new office. Albrighton is one of 6 libraries (Albrighton, Bishops Castle, Broseley, Cleobury Mortimer, Craven Arms and Shifnal) that have either moved into new community management arrangements or are about to do so. Sessions have been held with Locality who were

commissioned using part of the DCLG's Transformation Challenge Award to support this process and to help build confidence and capacity and further work is planned to look at the role of libraries as Community Connectors.

9 Healthwatch - Presentation from Jane Randall-Smith

Jane Randall-Smith will do a presentation on how Healthwatch works locally to help people get the best out of their local health and social care services.

10 Southern Shropshire LEADER Programme

Peter Banford, Programme Manager, Shropshire Council, will give a presentation on the new LEADER Programme which will bring £2.54 million into southern Shropshire. The overall purpose of the funding is to improve the economic wellbeing of the area through sustainable development. Peter will highlight more about the programme and how applications can be made.

11 Updates

Swimming Pool

Discussions have been ongoing with the school and the existing committee to look at viable ways forward for the swimming pool following the reduction of funding from Shropshire Council. An open day event to highlight the need for additional committee members was also held on 27th February. The AGM will be held on 19th April 2016 at 7pm at Albrighton Library – all are welcome. An update on progress should be available at the LJC meeting.

Albrighton Railway Ramp Project

Shropshire Council recently agreed to commission their independent consulting engineers, Mouchel to carry out a Risk/Safety assessment on the ramp. The report will be shared with Albrighton Parish Council once it is available for consideration by their insurance company. Mouchel are an independent company who provide professional advice and guidance to Shropshire Council on all bridges and structures across the County.

A Structural Engineer from Mouchel has assessed the site on the suitability of the ramp to be used as an access to the station and also to highlight any health and safety issues that may exist. As part of this assessment discussions will also be held with Network Rail on some agreed lighting and repair issues, highlighted by the Ramp Team.

There are also some planned major works to be undertaken to replace the bridge which will be taking place this summer and it is hoped that any

changes/improvements to the road layout would be done at the same time in order to limit disruption to users.

12 Albrighton Post Office

The Post Office are currently consulting on the relocation of the Post Office from its current premises to the Spar on the High Street in Albrighton. The consultation runs until 29th April 2016. Your views can be made by one of the following:

postofficeviews.co.uk

comments@postoffice.co.uk

Customer Helpline: 03457 223344 or textphone 03457 223355

Freepost your comments (this is the full address)

13 Public Question Time/Identification of future agenda items

Members of the public will be able to ask questions and make suggestions for future agenda items.

14 Date of Next Meeting

To note that the next meeting will be held on Wednesday 12th October 2016 at 7.00pm at The Red House, Albrighton.