

NOTES OF THE LUDLOW & CLEE AREA LOCAL JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT 7.00PM ON TUESDAY 13 NOVEMBER 2014 AT ST JOHNS HALL, SMITHFIELD, LUDLOW.

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Committee Members Present:

Councillor R Osborne	Bitterley Parish Council
Councillor Mrs T Huffer	Shropshire Council – Ludlow East Ward
Councillor Mrs E Marrs	Ashford Carbonel Parish Council
Councillor Mrs V Parry	Shropshire Council – Ludlow South Ward
Councillor P Draper	Ludlow Town Council
Councillor R Huffer (Chair)	Shropshire Council – Clee
Councillor Andy Boddington	Shropshire Councillor - North
Councillor I Liddle	Ludford Parish Council
Councillor G Williams	Caynham Parish Council

Officers Present:

Linda Monteith	Community Action Officer
Paul Beard	Shropshire Council

Also in attendance:

John Taylor	Fire and Rescue
CSO Lucy Morris	West Mercia Police
LPO Richard Dixon	West Mercia Police
Peter Gillard	Shropshire Patient Representative on Future Fit Evaluation Panel

ACTION

LC/14 Welcome and apologies

The Chair welcomed all to the meeting. Apologies were received from Councillor H Chance and Councillor G Perks.

LC/15 Notes of the meeting held on 18 June 2014

RESOLVED:

that the Notes of the meeting of the Ludlow & Clee Area Local Joint Committee held 18 June 2014 be approved as a correct record of the meeting and signed by the Chairman.

LC/16 Report from the local Policing Team

ASB hotspots in town are around Mill Street, The Blue Boar, The Bull and The Compasses. The trouble moves around the town through the evening. Sometimes there may only be one police officer on duty in Ludlow due to other crimes in a vast patch. Reponse officers are based in Leominster.

Questions from the floor:

Are there a lot of Police Specials on the beat? Most specials have left. Ludlow share with Craven Arms and Church Stretton. The duties have increased as they are now used as a resource and they are leaving. Lucy Morris is the only CSO for Ludlow and rural.

The police are trying to recruit. Worcester is low on officers so all new intakes will go there first. Richard is the only Officer for Ludlow.

ASB pattern, can this be pre-empted and they stopped? There are no other officers to cover this kind of activity but the police are working with Shop watch and Pub watch. Over the Christmas period there will be more shift overlap and varied shifts to cover drink related issues. The police are working hard with the pubs and statements have been taken from residents in Mill Street.

Councillors Boddington and Parry thanked the Police.

LCap was explained as working against underage drinking in the town

Parys Road stores have improved.

With loosing Youth Workers do you think incidents will increase?

There is the idea of Street Pastors and Clee Hill have got wardens who wear hi vis jackets to make the public aware and everyone has a civil responsibility within Health and Safety Laws. The LCAP detached funding has now ended.

John Taylor, Shropshire Fire and Rescue

There have been 140 calls so far this year and there are 18 people at the station. John Taylor will be finishing in April 2015.

Strike action will continue until the next election but Ludlow has not been affected.

There are free smoke alarms to the vulnerable and over 75.

Training takes place on a Thursday night at the Station.

Councillor Parry thanked John and commented on there are no lady officers. John explained that ladies are encouraged to apply and join the fire service.

LC/17 Update on Coder Road Depot.

Paul Beard, Waste Contracts Manager with Shropshire Council and Adam Kenney from Cwmharry spoke about the Coder Road site and future uses.

Steve Law, Strategic Asset Manager, Assets and Estate Management Shropshire Council sent the following statement on Coder Road.

“The property has recently been advertised on the open market with the closing date set for the end of last week. We have had strong interest in the depot site and we have contacted the bidders to advise that we require further information in order to finalise the evaluation.”

Paul also spoke about the new incinerator at Battlefield Shrewsbury. This

would be up and running by summer 2015.

LC/18 Future Fit

Peter Gillard who is the Shropshire Patient Representative on the Future Fit Evaluation Panel spoke to the meeting.

What is Future Fit?

A programme commissioned by Shropshire and Telford and Wrekin Clinical Commissioning group to restructure bedded services in the area. Major stake holders are the acute and community NHS trusts, ambulance service, NHS Wales. It is intended that the resulting changes will be fit for 25 years.

The Challenges:

- Changes in population
- Changes in patterns of illness
- Higher expectations
- Clinical standards and development in technology
- Costs in quality of service
- Impact on accessing services in urban and rural communities

Economic Challenges:

- Main driver for programme is money
- SaTH, RSH, PRH expected to be over 12m in the red this year
- NHS England 5 year plan suggests a mismatch between rescores and needs of nearly £30 million by 2020/21
- Simon Stevens of NHS England is calling for at least £8 million a year extra
- The model has no extra funds available

What are the Objectives – Clinical mode?

- Bring medical specialists together
- Give doctors access to specialist advice
- Attract best medical staff
- Join health care and social services
- People only go to hospital if needed
- Offer more care closer to home
- Involve patient more and ensure they understand treatment

What does Future Fit Cover?

- Acute and episodic care
- Planned care
- Long term conditions and frailty

Issues:

- Flagship is the Emergency Centre

- Community Hospitals will have to take patients who need greater care
- Ambulance service is already insufficient
- Care in the community will put greater pressure on voluntary groups

What happens next?

- No decisions have been made yet but leading board members of the CCG are saying they expect it to happen. The CCGs will make their decision on the preferred option next summer. Formal public consultation on the preferred option will start after that. Implementation can only start after approval.

Future Fit has a website <http://www.nhsfuturefit.co.uk/>

Councillor Tracey Huffer thanked Peter for sharing his vast knowledge. Peter explained he would be willing to attend Parish Council meetings in the area if any should wish him to attend.

LC/19 Parish / Town Council and Shropshire Council Updates

Ludlow Town Council –

- Buttercross – good news as Shropshire Council has agreed to extend funding until 31 March 2015. The lift aperture and structural works now complete, the lift should be installed before Christmas.
- Medieval Fayre – 29 and 30th November. Christmas lights switch on 29th November at 5pm
- LTC Senior Citizens Christmas Party 4th December
- Tinsel Tuesday
- Ludlow market will be trading 7 days a week in December
- LTC Mayors Charity Variety night – 13th December at LAR, tickets £10.50 available from the Guildhall, Mill Street.
- Ludlow calendar of events in production for 2015
- Mayors Charity Dinner Dance – March 14th at LAR, tickets will be on sale in the New Year

Bitterley Parish Council – Councillor R Osborne

- Planning applications have increased and concerned about Shropshire Council turnaround of applications

Ludford Parish Council – Councillor Imogen Liddle

- Monday 7th December at the Bishops Mascall Centre there will be a meeting about the proposed new supermarket and plans for 137 homes off Folgate Lane

A member of the public raised his concern at the determination time on planning, this is wasting time and delaying planning and is a massive problem. Councillor Huffer thanked the man for his patience at the meeting and explained it was a problem and would look into his concerns.

LC/20 Date/time of next meeting

Meeting dates were suggested for March 12, June 4 and October 22, 2015 these would be confirmed along with venues.

The meeting closed at 9.15pm

Chairman:.....

Date:.....