



Committee and Date
Bayston Hill Local
Joint Committee

30 September 2014

7:00 p.m.

Item No

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Public

**NOTES THE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 24 OCTOBER 2013
AT BAYSTON HILL METHODIST CHURCH HALL, BAYSTON HILL
(7.00 – 9.00 p.m.)**

**Responsible
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Committee Members Present:

Shropshire Council

Ted Clarke

Bayston Hill Parish Council

James Moraghen

West Mercia Police

PCSO Simon Yuile

Shropshire Council Officers present:

Lucy Roberts, Community Action Officer

Paulina Poplawska, Public Protection

There were approximately 45 people present at the meeting.

ACTION

1. Apologies and Substitutions

Apologies were received from Cllr Jon Tandy, Shropshire Council
Cllr Teresa Lewis, PC David Harte, Alan Parkhurst.

2. Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

None declared.

3. Notes

RESOLVED: That the notes of the meeting held on 24 June 2013 be confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

4. Key Current Policing Issues – PACT (Partners and Communities Together)

Simon Yuile, Police Community Support officer for the Safer neighbourhood team attended the LJC. As part of the recent changes to Policing areas, Simon is one of the new CSO's for Bayston Hill.

If residents have any questions/issues they would like to raise with the Safer Neighbourhood policing team, there will a drop-in session at 11-12pm one Saturday each month.

Busy time of year with Bonfire night. Allotments have been targeted for wood and bamboo cane thefts – extra patrols and resources have been put in to try and target this.

Crime figures since June – No assaults, 7 thefts (majority relate to Esso garage), 1 ASB report, 11 Nuisance, no burglary other and 1 burglary dwelling.

Main Anti Social Behaviour issue has been youths parking their cars at Lansdowne Road and at the allotments – these individuals have been targeted and issued with tickets. Parents have also been contacted which seems to have helped the situation.

Q – Question for the Police Commissioner. How is value for money for Police force shown on the precept?

Q – Boy racers in the Christchurch car park –
A - PCSO's are dealing with it?

Q – Chicane on Pulley lane? Who has right way if there are two cars going through at the same time?

5. Distraction Burglary and Rogue Trader Presentation

ACTION

Police advice-

Distraction burglary – Target elderly and alone. People should be aware of those door knocking having accomplices who gain access to property via the back or whilst the occupier is engaged in conversation.

Offers to cut Lawns and hedges that are over grown – people have found they are over charged once the work is done.

Residents should let the Safer Neighbourhood policing team know if they have concerns about people seen in the community knocking doors or vulnerable neighbours or family members that may be targeted.

Suspicious activity can be reported to 101 or 999 in an emergency, also if possible get descriptions and registration numbers of any vehicles.

Information from Paulina Poplawska, Public Protection at Shropshire Council.

Public Protection is highlighting 'Door step Crime' and 'distraction burglary.

There have been incidence in the county of people being targeted by criminals who gain access to vulnerable people's home under false pretences (pretending to be from the water board, council, gas company) in order to burgle the property whilst distracted.

At Public Protection there are 2 'Rapid response officers'.

Any concerns about people knocking on doors, people can report this to Public protection either by calling the switch board at Shropshire Council or by using the CAB number or the Police 101 number.

Rogue traders or door step sales.

People have the right to cancel contracts for purchases over £35 – there is a 'cooling off' period - people can call CAB line or Public Protection for confirmation.

Please try to be the eyes and ears in the community – look out for your neighbours and report any suspicious activity. Door step crime/ distraction burglary and Rogue traders can have a huge emotional impact on people's lives as well as the loss of money or property.

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6. Bayston Hill Jubilation 2013

Jubilation Committee Chair, Judy Shone fed back on Jubilation 2013; Hooray for Hollywood.

September 2013 saw the village brought together again, parade, fete, sports day.

Sevenside housing joined in with residents, WI and other community groups. Buzz Lightyear opened the activities.

The Jubilation committee bought a marquee used at the Jubilation event but it can also be used as a village resource (a charge will be made to put the marquee up).

Lessons Learnt – September was not a good time of year to hold the event as participation was poor for the parade, fun run and ramble. Improvements for next year will be to find the best time of year to hold the event. It is also the centenary of World War One. The Jubilation Committee are looking to be involved with a research project for Bayston Hill and include the school – looking to link this with the village event.

The Jubilation committee meet once a month and are always looking for new people to get involved – please contact Judy Shone. AGM is on 14th Nov 2013.

7. The Former Oakland School Site and Glebefield

Update on progress since last LJC meeting –

Shropshire council are still moving towards disposing of the Former Oaklands school site for development – the community indicated that there is a desire for a 'Community Hub' type building on part of the Oaklands site- the next step is still to create a development brief to go out to developers, this is on hold due to the Lichfield Diocese indicating they wish to develop the Glebefield that adjoins the Oaklands site. A field owned by the Diocese of Lichfield was also offered up as an alternative green space if the Glebefield was developed.

As a way of moving on The Bayston Hill Community working group are organising a consultation drop in on Saturday 16th November, 10.30- 2.30pm

Residents are invited to come along and give their opinions on what could be gained by the community by developing the sites in tandem.

Points raised

- Balance of green area in village needs to be maintained
- Issues holding up proceedings – why are things taking so long? If the Glebefield had not been offered up, Oaklands would have moved forward by now. People were happy with Oaklands 'Blue Print'.
- Has the Church Authority made a formal approach to the Parish about the disposal of the Glebefield?
- A survey needs to be done about the future of the Glebefield – should it remain a recreation area?
- Play areas for Children – where would they go?
- Yew Tree Drive field – there is a question about whether people would want this as an alternative; it is further out of the village, less accessible.

Follow up at next Community Working Group meeting, post drop-in event.

8. Bayston Hill Local Joint Committee Budget and Funding Report 2013/14

8.1 Lucy Roberts, Community Action Officer, reported the Local Joint Committee had a total budget of £7,561 for 2013/14.

8.2 RESOLVED:

- That funding of ring fenced funding release be agreed.
- That £3000 be allocated for Community Grants.
- That £2000 be allocated towards the upgrade of Stanley Parker playing field and youth area.

9. Public Question Time

9.1 Updates from Bus Service S27 – very positive response from community, more reliable 20 minute service. Great improvements, more time for drivers to look after passengers if they need help. LJC to pass positive comments on to Arriva

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9.2 Q - Parade needs to be more beneficial to community in terms of parking- dangerous reversing onto Lansdowne Road.
Tree is an issue; overhanging the path.

A - A difference should be seen soon as work is taking place to improve the area. There have been difficulties with an absentee landlord.

9.3 Q - Footpath surfaces are degenerating.
A - Inspections have been done.

Chair

9.4 Q - Footpath on Pulley Lane/Green Lane – Tarmac is needed to join up the sections.
A - TC to follow this up.

Chair

10. Date of Next Meeting

To be confirmed.

Signed.....Chairman

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