

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BARROW PARISH COUNCIL
HELD AT WILLEY VILLAGE HALL, WILLEY, ON
THURSDAY, 10TH NOVEMBER, 2016, AT 6.30 P.M.**

47. **PRESENT:** Councillors P. Knott (Vice chairman) P.M. Whiteman, Mrs. S. King and Mrs. S.A. Gibbons.
48. **APOLOGIES:** Councillor N.D. Downes (Chairman).
49. **IN ATTENDANCE:** The Clerk and Shropshire Councillor D. Turner and two members of the public.
50. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:**
No Declarations of Interest received.
51. **MINUTES:**
The Minutes of the Meeting held on 8th September, 2016 and the Minutes of the Planning Meeting held on 17th October, 2016, copies of which had been circulated to Members, were taken as read, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.
52. **REPORT BY SHROPSHIRE COUNCIL MEMBER:**
Shropshire Councillor D. Turner submitted his report a copy of which is attached to the signed copy of the Minutes. This being the last meeting of the year he took the opportunity of wishing the Councillors and members of the public a Merry Christmas and a happy New Year.
The main topics of his report was as follows:
- HGV routing
BT Payphones
Litter picks
Advice Surgery
53. **POLICE MATTERS:**
No report received.
54. **REPORTS BY PARISH COUNCILLORS:**
The Vice Chairman reported that the Chairman had forwarded the following:
- 1) Royal British Legion. The Chairman will represent Barrow Parish Council on Sunday 13th November, 2016 at the Broseley Service of Remembrance.
 - 2) Dog Litter Bin. This has been erected of the triangular verge with The sign post on in Willey.
 - 3) Attended a meeting of the Slaney Almhouse Trust. During the Meeting it was raised that a large number of rats were causing a nuisance around Barrow Church and in particular around the graves of Tom Moody and John Rose.

The Clerk reported that he had informed the Chairman that the responsibility for maintaining graves in the Church Yard was not the Parish Council, this had been established several years ago by submitting a query to the Shropshire Association of Local Councils.

4. **Attended 3 meetings of the Severn Gorge Countryside Trust, serving as Vice Chairman for the past 5 years.**
Members agreed that the Chairman should continue to represent the Parish on SGCT.

55. HGV MEETING;

This meeting was attended by Alice Dilley (Shropshire Council), two representatives from the contractors, Mouchel, Cllr David Turner and Cllr Jean Jones from Shropshire Council, Cllr Shirley King and Cllr Philip Knott from Barrow Parish Council, Cllr Yvonne Holyoak from Wenlock Town Council and Cllr Simon Harris and Cllr Peter Smith from Broseley Town Council.

The representatives from Mouchel outlined the situation at present in Wenlock and Broseley, and gave us some details of the number of HGVs detected using local roads during three working days earlier in the year. There were 76 HGV movements along the B4375 section which passes through Benthall but no details for those using Bridge Road. Moves to improve the situation in Wenlock and Broseley were discussed, including improved signage, the use of a mini-island where the B4373 touches Broseley. Signs would be aimed at directing all traffic along Merriwell Lane (instead of through the Centre of Wenlock) to get to and from Broseley and at the B4375/B4376 junction to direct all Broseley traffic through Barrow. A vehicle environmental weight limit was proposed for parts of Broseley, Bridge Road and on the B4375 road from its junction with the B4376 to Broseley Centre.

Alice and Mouchel are going to draw up plans for the schemes and then let the councils have details.

55. REVEALING THE EARLY HISTORY OF THE BOROUGH OF WENLOCK:

RESOLVED that a donation of £500 be made towards the above project.

56. EVERYBODY ACTIVE BROSELEY AND BARROW:

Councillor P. Knott reported that voting would take place on 21st November, 2016 At various locations within the parishes. The list of organisations are as follows:

1. Wyldwoods - Family Fit £5,000

Wyldwoods provide non-traditional forms of exercise by getting people of all ages to take part in green wood craft, gardening, chopping wood and walking the beautiful surrounding countryside. Yoga, shiatsu and tai chi can also be included and linked to creative arts. In the school holidays we will include bug hunts,

pond dipping and outdoor play. It is perfect for those who haven't exercised in ages and need to start gently and feel safe and supported. Funding will pay for specialist staff, facilitators, materials, publicity and transport.

2. The Barrow Mile - £600

Barrow School aim to get all pupils engaged in a regular, fun activity, by providing the opportunity to walk regularly during the week. Pupils will walk or jog one mile, three times a week, on top of their existing physical activities .. An existing walking path, around the school grounds, will allow children to safely complete their mile, monitor their own progress (using pedometers to count steps) and take in the sights and sounds of our pig-pen, poly-tunnels and meadow. The children will benefit as being located in such a rural locality, none of our pupils have the chance to walk to school. Funding will pay for pedometers and printed T-shirts.

3. Cycle Track/Access to Bikes - £5,000

John Wilkinson Primary School would like to establish a cycle track and provide access to bicycles for children at local schools and for community organisations. Our aims are to engage children who are reluctant to exercise but would willingly cycle, and to help children learn to ride safely. Children who do not have bikes at home could learn to ride at school in sessions led by qualified instructors. Local schools and groups would be invited to use the facilities as well. Pre-school, primary school children and families will benefit. We currently have balance bikes on the key stage 1 playground and these have proved very popular; the work would be an extension to this concept. Funding will pay for a bike enclosure, bikes, helmets, trikes and balance bikes.

4. Games for All-£3,524

The MUGA (Multi Use Games Area) Group and its employees want to encourage two target groups not currently using the MUGA facility, older males and adult females! to join in informal sessions of football and other physical activities. We would offer free sessions, three, one-hour sessions per week for a six month period. The key feature of the scheme is: no teams, no leagues and individuals welcome. Just turn up and have fun. Adults will benefit as we intend to establish a love of these activities within a new demographic, so that they will continue to meet and play after the pilot scheme has ended. Funding will pay for hire of the facility, coaches and equipment.

5. Orienteering for All-£627 .50

Broseley C of E School are going to create a new orienteering course within the grounds of the school and onto the nearby public playing fields. The project will involve mapping the school grounds and playing field, creating a route which can be followed by a map and then buying and fixing controls at selected places around the grounds. The activity can be undertaken independently or as part of a team. It can be timed or completed in your own time making it suitable for all members of the public. Families will be able to access the facility during evenings, weekends and holidays, hopefully encouraged by children. All local children will benefit as they will be able to use the facility during the school day as part of the curriculum and as a club during lunch and after schools. Funding will be spent on mapping the course, control markers, punches and cards and maps.

6. Play Equipment at Guest Road-£5,000

Broseley Youth Partnership and Broseley Town Council want to create a new play area on the open space at

Guest Road on the Tileries. The Town Council are taking over this piece of open space and currently there is no children's play equipment here or anywhere else within a safe walking distance. We will visit young people at school and ask what equipment they would like to see. The equipment will be aimed at getting children active whilst having fun. Local children and parents will benefit. This will be the only play area on this side of town. Funding will be spent on new pieces of play equipment.

7. Road Safety skills-£2,485

Broseley Youth Partnership will pay for a fully qualified Road Safety instructor to teach children aged 3 - 6 early road safety skills. How to walk safely with mum and dad, how to cross the road with them, hold hands and where it's safe to cross. It will involve parents and carers in the process so that we can all work together to be safer. There will be some balance bike training which will ready children for learning to ride a bike. The equipment will then be held in storage for anyone in the community to use with permission of the Partnership. Pie-school and Primary school children will benefit from this project. Funding will pay for a fully qualified road safety Instructor, balance bikes, helmets and storage.

8. Dance Fun and Fitness-£2,000

Broads (Broseley Amateur Dramatic Society) in collaboration with Nicola Carmichael School of Dance will offer sessions in dance and movement to anyone over the age of 16, whatever your ability or level of fitness. The dance teachers will work with anyone who wants to come along and give it a try. These sessions will give people the chance to enjoy dancing to put together weekly sessions of dance/stage-based activities which are suited to the music and movement that really appeals to the group and is suited to their different levels of fitness. Anyone over the age of 16 will benefit from this project. Funding will pay for a six month trial period including paying qualified local dance teachers, room hire and modest publicity material. Broads volunteers will support the leaders and also work with people in the community to set and run the sessions.

9. Folk and Gentry Walk-£2,570

Broseley Town Council and Barrow Parish Council will produce waymarked walks for all through our local beautiful countryside. A stroll through our local history, past workers cottages and a stately home. We will also install new benches for those in need of a rest. The project will benefit any age group but is targeted at older adults. Funding will be used to buy and install benches, to design and print leaflets and for route markers.

10. Swimming for All-£2,500

The Friendly Bus will get people active through swimming. Regular swimming can offer anyone, especially older adults, a wide range of health benefits. Swimming with others at regular weekly swimming sessions in a safe and welcoming environment. Meet new swimming buddies who will motivate you to keep on going. Swimming is the perfect activity to improve the physical function of older adults and help those at risk of losing independence and/or managing certain health conditions (diabetes, stroke, dementia, arthritis, rheumatism). Older adults will benefit from this project. Beginners or experienced swimmers, whatever your level. Funding will be spent on the hire of the pool and transport.

11. Footpath Improvements-£5,000

The Haycop Nature Reserve will improve the footpaths and bridleway on the Haycop to make access easier and more enjoyable for all visitors, particularly those less physically fit. We will upgrade the surface of the footpaths, adding edging to some paths and will be repairing handrails on stepped sections. We will add new signage indicating routes around the site and their difficulty, as well as extra information boards. The whole community will benefit from this project as access around the Reserve will be much improved.

Funding will be spent on stone chippings, information boards and footpath signs.

12. Couch to 5K-£1,486

Broseley Joggers will run a 9 week programme specially designed to get complete beginners off the couch and running 5 kilometres in easy and manageable steps. It's suitable for all adults, from ages 18 - 80 years+, of any size M level of fitness. Broseley Joggers are a fun, informal and supportive group, open to all abilities, with dedicated run leaders and other supportive members to help get people started. Adults and older adults will benefit from this project. We will encourage complete beginners to get off the couch and take their first steps from walking to running. Funding would be used to train run leaders to lead the programme and promotion.

13. Active Youth Club - £4,700

Broseley Youth Club will run fun sessions at Youth Club that will encourage the young people who attend to be more active and to also encourage other young people to attend. After talking to young people and trying different activities this year we know that the group really like lots of different things to do in an evening so we are planning a fun interactive programme that really gets them moving! E.g. circus skills, bubble football, climbing wall. This will benefit existing users of the youth club and new members. With a more exciting programme we will appeal to more young people. Funding will pay for a qualified sports worker to run fun games and also to buy/hire new equipment.

14. Outdoor Fitness Equipment Signage - £2,500

The Birchmeadow Park Committee would like to install new information boards for both the outdoor gym equipment and the running track. These will display safety advice and exercise programmes showing people how to get started and gradually build up their activity and fitness levels. People can access the equipment at a time to suit them and can progress at their own pace without any pressure. Sometimes it is difficult to make a start with exercise as people worry about getting it wrong or being judged. We hope that the information boards and the opportunity to just 'have a go' will help to overcome this. The project will benefit everyone in the community. Groups, individuals and especially those who like to follow a set routine. Funding will be used to purchase new signage and additional rubber matting around the gym equipment

15. Family Fitness - £4,940

The Crossbar Foundation will work collaboratively with other local organizations to identify and encourage local people to take part in regular exercise in the form of fun fitness camps for families which are tailored to promote active lifestyles, community building and cohesion. This will help the whole community to become fitter and healthier, will reduce health problems, alleviate social isolation and will provide motivation and inspiration in other areas of peoples lives. This project will benefit local families and will show that a healthy lifestyle can give enormous benefits, not just physically, but also emotionally and socially. Funding will pay for qualified coaches,

56. COMMUNITY FIBRE PARTNERSHIPS:

The Clerk reported on a letter from BT stating that because they understand the local School Barrow 1618 Free School and surrounding community have not been upgraded to superfast broadband as part of the national rollout.

As part of the scheme BT has made £2m available via a grant for Community Fibre Partnerships that could benefit local schools. This enables communities not covered by fibre broadband rollout plans to apply for a match-funded grant of up to £20000

towards the cost of their new fibre infrastructure.

BT would like to meet the Parish Council and a representative from the school to explore ways in which they can help bring fibre broadband to the area.

Members agreed that in the first instance the Clerk contact Mr. Ben Walker of Shropshire Council to seek his advice and if need be BT be invited to the March meeting of the Council.

57. FINANCE;:

The Clerk presented the following accounts for approval and payment.

Salary	£316.32
Petty Cash	£ 30.00
E.On Energy Ltd	£360.30
Severn Trent Water Ltd.	£ 35.53
Npower	£254.42 (paid)
Willey Village Hall	£ 16.00
Royal British Legion (Broseley Branch)	£ 34.00
Much Wenlock Town Council	£500.00

RESOLVED accordingly.

Chairman
12th January, 2017