

MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY 19th JUNE 2017 AT 5.30PM AT THE GUILDHALL

PRESENT

Cllr Linda Candlin (Chair) Cllr Calne Edginton-White

Cllr Mary Fishwick Cllr Derek Killingworth Cllr Gordon Yarranton

Mrs Alison Bakr Mrs Cat Banks Mr Martin Guard Mr Richard Perrin

In attendance: Cllr John Beeson

Cllr Anna Coleman Cllr Roger Coleman Nick Farress, Town Clerk

Kyle Daisley, Community Engagement Officer

98 Apologies

Mr Peter Michael

99 Declarations of Interest

None

100 Dispensations

None

Public Question Time

There were no members of the public present.

101 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 15th May 2017 were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

102 Car Parking Arrangements in Bewdley

It was noted that the new height barriers had been erected in both Gardners Meadow and Dog Lane car parks which means that there is now no long stay parking for visitors with larger vehicles like motor homes, vans or cars carrying large roof racks or bicycles. Whilst the Committee was fully supportive of the barriers at Gardners Meadow, (and commended WFDC for their swift action) the barriers at Dog Lane car park were viewed as unnecessary and having an adverse effect on local trade and tourism.

Load Street car park extension has now been delayed until later in 2017. However, WFDC had stated that the surface would be made good temporarily and in use over the summer season. The Town Clerk will follow this up. It was also agreed that one way signage needed to be improved as vehicles regularly

exited the car park into Load Street which is prohibited. The exit from the Load Street car park into Dog Lane needs to be improved as and when the redevelopment of the fire station site goes ahead, as do the steps opposite into Dog Lane car park which land pedestrians directly into the road with no warning.

In relation to coach parking, it was recognised that the Safari Park solution was not ideal as it was only available Mon-Fri and coaches needed to be close by to allow typically older visitors to access the coach if they need to. It was agreed that the best place for coaches to stand was in the two bays in Dog Lane alongside the Horn and Trumpet.

It was **AGREED** to approach Wyre Forest DC in relation to the following:

- (i) That WFDC be asked to swing back the height barrier in Dog Lane to allow for non-height restricted long stay parking. The barrier can be swung back if necessary to prevent incursion;
- (ii) That signage is installed at Gardners Meadow pointing large vehicle owners to Dog Lane car park;
- (iii) That clarity is sought as to the temporary use of the Load Street car park extension over the summer season;
- (iv) That improved signage is installed in the current Load Street car park to prevent illegal exit;
- (v) That the exit from Load Street car park is improved as and when the fire station site is re-developed.

It was also **AGREED** to approach Worcestershire County Council in relation to the following:

To make the two parking/bus bays in Dog Lane available for long stay layover coach parking.

Date and Time of Next Meetings

To note that the next bi-monthly meeting of the Community Development Committee will be held on **Monday 17th JULY 2017** at **6.00pm** in the Guildhall.

The meeting closed at 6.10pm

Signed	
Chairman Community Development Committee - 17 th	July 2017