

**MINUTES OF NORTH BROMYARD GROUP PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
held on Tuesday, 27th March 2012 in Saltmarshe & District Hall.**

In Attendance

Chairman	Mr J Wheeler
Vice Chairman	Mr B Civil
Councillors	Mr E Carpenter, Mr R Coldicott, Mr A Dennis, Mr H Richards, Mr R Wilks,
Ward Councillor	Mr G Swinford
Clerk	Mrs L Butler
Public	None

1. **Apologies** – were received from Mrs Harris.

2. **Declaration of Interest** - none.

3. **Minutes of November Parish Council meeting**

Were approved on the proposal of Mr Civil, seconded by Mr Wheeler and unanimous.

4. **Matters Arising**

4.1 Herefordshire Council, Planning Application Progress – E-consultation is now underway for those parishes which requested the facility. Paper plans will continue to be sent to remaining parishes until the end of this year. It was agreed that the clerk would print off decision notices for applications in the group parishes.

4.2 Broadband – a contractor is to be appointed soon and will look at delivering a service to areas without a service first, before increasing a service to those already have one.

4.3 Brockhampton became an academy on 1st November 2011 and Queen Elizabeth on 1st December 2011.

4.4 If the parish council purchase a grit bin, Amey will fill and top it up.

4.5 Potholes to Linehouse. Road is due to be resurfaced this financial year, but clerk to pursue hole repair.

5. **Planning**

5.1 *For Consideration*

5.1.1 N120590/FH Highfield, Hedge House Lane, Tedstone Wafre, HR7 4PU
Erection of UPVC and part brick porch. Full Householder
The Parish Council has no objections.

On the proposal of Mr Wheeler, seconded by Mr Wilks and unanimous.

5.1.2 N120435/L St Agnes House, Delamere Road, Tedstone Delamere, HR7 4PS
Retention of internal alterations to the loft space. Listed Building Consent
The Parish Council has no objections.

On the proposal of Mr Civil, seconded by Mr Coldicott and unanimous.

5.2 *Decisions*

5.2.1 N/113478/L The Wain House, Inksmoor Court, Tedstone Wafre, HR7 4PP
Regularization of amendments to planning permission MH1727/88 (various internal and external alterations) Listed Building Consent GRANTED
Above decision noted by the Parish Council.

- 5.2.2 Certificate of Lawful use or Development
N113479/U The Wain House, Inksmoor Court, Tedstone Wafre, HR7 4PP
The local planning authority is satisfied that, on the balance of probabilities, the summerhouse and storage building to the rear of the property known as The Wain House and shown on drawing 1625/1 has exceeded a continuous period of four years and as such is now lawful.
Above decision noted by the Parish Council.

6. Highways

- 6.1 Potholes – Saltmarshe Hall to Hinksmoor Court. Ditches need piping which should prevent potholes which are caused by excess water spilling onto road with nowhere to drain away.
- 6.2 Potholes on road near kennels, Tedstone Delamere.
- 6.3 B4203 from Baiting House to Upper Sapey village – needs a footpath or pedestrian warning signs. Walkers in the road are in danger from traffic.
Clerk to report above three items to Herefordshire Council.

7. Finance

- 7.1 Clerks salary & expenses – Jan - Mar 2012 £469.77
- 7.2 HMRC Tax Jan – Mar 2012 £103.20
- Both accounts paid on the proposal of Mr Coldicott, seconded by Mr Wilks and unanimous.
- 7.3 Bank balances as at Dec 2011 – Current a/c £1,984.89 Deposit a/c £3,828.15
Noted by the Parish Council

8. Ward Councillors Report

The National Planning Policy Framework was announced today. It is considered to be a green light to developers to build in the countryside. Herefordshire will update councillors once it has been read through and interpreted. Parish councils should determine whether to do a neighbourhood plan – to decide where building can take place. If a parish council decide not to do a neighbourhood plan then they will be subject to Herefordshire's unitary development plan. There will be a seminar on Neighbourhood Plans on 25th May for parish councils to attend. A planning application in Ledbury from Sainsburys has been turned down. Whitbourne School is under review because numbers have fallen below 36.

9. Correspondence

- 9.1 The Church of England, Church Commissioners – Wolferlow Church
The clerk advised that the council's comments, submitted by Mr Wheeler had been forwarded to the Church Commissioners. Mr Wheeler reported that local residents have also submitted their representations. The Church Commissioners have replied to advise that the Church Buildings (Units and Disposals) Committee will be considering representations at its meeting on Tuesday, 24th April in London. There was no one from the council able to attend.
- 9.2 Parish Paths update: Mr Fisher, Parish Paths Officer, had walked the ten footpaths/bridleways in Tedstone Delamere and originally thought that three were closed. One is due to a closed pedestrian bridge over Sapey Brook. This may remain the case for sometime as repairing bridges is expensive. The other two paths are open to pedestrians but not for horses.

10. Parish Matters and future agenda items – none.

11. Public Questions - none.