

Minutes of a meeting of Acton Beauchamp Group Parish Council  
held at 8 p.m. on Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup>. August, 2016 at  
Stanford Bishop Village Hall

PRESENT: Robert Wall (in the chair) Richard Potter  
Alec Elliot Kathy Smith  
Francis Lowden Richard Kuehn  
Jean Morris (Clerk)

Everyone was welcomed to the meeting.

1. Apologies for Absence None were received.
2. Declarations of Interest in any matter to be discussed. None.
3. Representations from members of the public The website is up and running. The Clerk was thanked for arranging it's set up.

The Village Hall court case is still continuing. There has been two judgements in favour , but it is going on. An appeal was lodged to stop the bailiffs going in.

Superfast broadband is welcomed to Acton Green and Stanford Bishop.

4. To consider minutes of an extraordinary meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup>. May, 2016 This meeting was held to discuss the comments to go to the appeal lodged for Drovers Barn. Barry Kearley disputes saying he would replant the hedge he took out. He was advised to write in. AGREED and signed.
5. To consider minutes of an extraordinary meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup>. June, 2016 AGREED and signed.
6. To consider minutes of an extraordinary meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup>. June, 2016 AGREED and signed.
7. Finance Statement of Account £2,530.36 the second half of the precept will be received in September.
8. Planning (i)161760 single storey extension and new access at Castaways, Acton Green. Approved.

(ii) 161382 proposed conversion of agricultural building to dwelling at Crookshill Farm, Acton Beauchamp. Approved.

(iii) 161234 change of use of buildings from holiday lets/residential to institutional use at Hidelow House, Acton Beauchamp. Approved.

9. Sevington ditches – possible warning signs The ditches are very deep, another vehicle has been in there. Balfour Beatty will be asked to look at the area with a view to bringing in warning signs, pipes or possibly drainage. The road will be looked at and request that any potholes should be repaired.
10. To receive correspondence Councils and Clerks Direct. The Clerk.
11. Bishops Frome Neighbourhood Plan 600 leaflets were produced and posted in Bishops Frome and Fromes Hill. Posters advertised a drop-in day which was attended by 61 people – 10% of the area. Of that 10 %, 95% agreed with the objective, 61% thought it could be expressed in a simpler way, 56% felt that a potential objective had been missed.

The Neighbourhood Plan must accept the minimum number of houses in the Core Strategy – 30. The Plan cannot conflict with National Policy, or the Core Strategy for Herefordshire, nor be used to prevent development.

No comments, but would ask to be kept informed of any changes.

12. Possible Neighbourhood Plan Kathy Smith has not done any work on it yet.

The Chairman spoke to Patricia Morgan, who said there was no chance of any significant development in Acton Beauchamp or Stanford Bishop. She also said a Neighbourhood Plan in this area is a waste of time and money. A body outside the Parish Council can do a Neighbourhood Plan if they want to.

Samantha Banks, Forward Planning Officer at Herefordshire Council can give further information.

Any Other Business There is a drainage problem where surface water is going down the road through a grill under the road onto Woofwood Common, then piped down the ditch.

An obstacle is blocking the pipe, so water goes onto Bill Gibbard's ground. Francis Lowden is meeting Balfour Beatty to look at the area to try to resolve the problem.

The meeting closed at 9.30 p.m.

The next meeting will be on 8<sup>th</sup>. November, 2016.

