



## **ASHCHURCH RURAL PARISH**

### **MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL COMMUNITY MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2019 AT SHERDONS GOLF CENTRE FIDDINGTON**

**Present:** Cllrs J Hargreaves; T Davies; D Garnett; B Cooke; G Shurmer; A Brown and 5 parishioners

**In Attendance:** Annette Roberts, Jonathan Dibble, C. Cllr Smith; B. Cllr Gore

1. **Welcome** – The Chairman of the Parish Council welcomed everyone.

He stated the newsletter was not yet completed, but all reports were available

2. **Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting of 30<sup>th</sup> May 2018**

Taken as read

#### **TBC – ASHCHURCH CONCEPT MASTERPLAN**

Annette Roberts AR and Jonathan Dibble JD were in attendance (Report attached)

AR highlighted the following:

- Last spoke to ARPC on 10<sup>th</sup> December 18
- TBC focus now on engagement, acknowledged this has been lacking in the past
- JCS and Masterplan two differing processes
- Homes England report will include community engagement
- There is a lot of work going on the background
- BDP will share report to all 6 local parishes, They are tasked in the first place with the First phase north of MOD site
- Noted other examples of garden towns have set up a community panel, this feeds into delivery board, there is funding for this

#### **Q: Funding has been made available, is the Master Plan a done deal?**

AR: Funding is for a feasibility study. This area has always been earmarked for development; changes may be down to details rather than stopping it

JD: Within JCS viability is a key issue, strategic process and an independent inspector will make a decision on this, this is ongoing

The Garden Town is an opportunity to bring forward development in the best way, it does not mean there is permission

#### **Q: Is the Garden town not part of the strategic review, is there an opportunity for the Parish and TBC to view an example**

AR: This is a possibility to visit if funding allows

JCS review is part of the process, but Garden Town isn't part of it

**Q: There is a lack of trust in the communication process, looks like it is a done deal, what concrete feedback has there been from December meeting?**

AR: Still going through issues raised

**Q: What are the results of the consultation on Transport?**

AR: Still collating

**Q: Parish has not been consulted in the past, and have received no feedback, there is no trust**

AR: Haven't fed back yet but will do in the future

Q: Community groups and Parish Council need to be part of the discussion, and have the opportunity to influence the process going forward, need to improve the trust

### **3. Ashchurch's Community Reports:**

- 3.1. Parish Council Chairman's Report - Cllr J Hargreaves – **not yet available**
- 3.2 Draft Accounts for 2018/19 – **not yet available**
- 3.3 Ashchurch School Report – **Not received**
- 3.4 Ashchurch Playgroup Report – **Not received**
- 3.5 St Nicholas Church Report - **Attached**
- 3.6 Village Hall Report - **Attached**
- 3.7 Save our Lanes Report - **Attached**
- 3.8 Pamington Residents Association Report – **Attached**

### **4. Police Report Attached**

The above reports were available in hard copy and were accepted

### **5. Gloucestershire CC, and Tewkesbury Borough, Council Reports**

#### **i County Council (Cllr Vernon Smith) VS – Attached.**

At this point C. Cllr Smith highlighted the following points:

- Major resurfacing will cause significant disruption and road closures
- Keen to create a cycle gateway route to Bishops Cleeve, and asked members for suggestions
- Infrastructure is key to the Garden Town and needs to be in place first, it is still a concept

**Q: Are the works to A425 at night**

VS: Night and day and will relay details to the Clerk

**Q: The road surface at the roundabout area at J9 junction is breaking down.**

VS: Has received the details and has forwarded to Highways England

**Q: It is dangerous for cycles at Morrisons**

VS: Needs a strategic plan and foresees a cycleway from Tewkesbury Cheltenham by 2030

## **ii Borough Council (CILs) – Report not received**

### **Verbal report:**

Will work with PC in the future

JCS will be on website

Working with new Tewkesbury Borough Plan, important document wants small development to revitalise villages

Cil introduced in 2018 gives parishes a bigger funding pot

Is very hands on and will try to attend all Parish council meetings

**6. Ideas for schemes/funding that will benefit the local community (S137 Local Government Act 1972)**

None

### **7. To receive questions from members of the public**

None

The next meeting of the parish council will be held on 24<sup>th</sup> June 19 at 7pm.

No further business and the meeting ended at 8.05