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Minutes of the planning meeting held on Tuesday 2nd May 2017 at The Parish Council Office Unit C22 Maws Craft Centre Jackfield TF8 7LS

PL/2017/038 Public Session: no attendees

PL/2017/039 Attendance and Apologies: none

PL/2017/ 040 Dispensations. None

PL/2018/041 Consider planning applications: TWC/2017/0335; The Cottage in the Wood, 17 Darby Road Coalbrookdale , Telford . Work to No 1 Lime tree. No comment to this application and to the others listed on the agenda.

PL/2017/042 Reports from communities.

Cllr Bennett reported on the Trustees Meeting with Bournville Village Trust where there was a willingness to erect an information board. (Arrangements will be made to take the oak board from the office). A formal meeting is to be arranged at Lightmoor every 3 months and the Trustees expressed a willingness to work with TGPC on the Parish Environmental Team project.

Cllr White would be attending the next Governors' meeting at Lightmoor school.

Cllr Healy reported that the broken low railing in Dale End park had been fixed today but was concerned about the dangerous condition of the land next to the BT telephone exchange. Ralph from the PET team was taking action to make the woodwork etc, safe.

Cllr Bragg asked if the Clerk could write to TWC for a progress report on superfast broadband in the Gorge . Cllr Bennett mentioned concerns in Lightmoor and whether any funds would be available to connect houses , many yet to be built .

Cllr Oldershaw had been asked by a resident about steps which had "appeared" on the north side of the River , opposite Coalford , which she will inspect.

PL/2017/043 Update on Co-option notice for vacancy. There was some discussion about the candidates and how to contact them , preferably by email. The Clerk will write and ask if they had access to secure email services, or be prepared to have email access.

PL/2017/044 Other matters:

- a) The Clerk updated the Council on the Banks he had contacted and their identification requirements . After some discussion , it was **RESOLVED** to retain current account services with Co-operative Bank , but look to transfer Deposit account to Lloyds Bank.

b) on the matter of “Communications”, raised at the last meeting, discussions took place as to :

- Whether the name of “Gorge Gazette” should be kept, or rename it to, eg “Gorge Parish Council Newsletter”
- Timing : aiming for end of June edition , then content should be ready by end of May
- Include news items such as PET and Pride in Your High Street
- A half page be allocated to each ward for Borough Councillors
- October’s issue to have copy ready by end September , so it can include events such as Christmas lights
- Include “Community events” such as news items from Scout group etc
- Cllr Healy offered to prepare an update on grants made and how they were used
- Distribution – local Councillors offered to circulate in Lightmoor, but investigation would be needed about cost of address list from Royal Mail

PL/2017/045; Annual Parish Meeting : The Chair advised the meeting that in view of the forthcoming General Election, Angela Mc Clements could not speak . Instead, Angie Astley , Assistant Director , Neighbourhood and Customer Services at TWC will speak on Civil Parking Enforcement .

There was a late request from a resident for a BSL interpreter at the meeting at a cost of £ 119.75 plus vat . **RESOLVED:** Clerk to arrange this via VISS at the cost stated.

Dates of next meetings: Annual Parish Council Meeting to be held on Tuesday 16th May at 7pm . Planning meeting Tuesday 6th June at 6pm.