

MINUTES of an Extra Ordinary Meeting of Cradley Parish Council held on Tuesday 22nd June 2010 in Cradley Village Hall at 7.30pm.

PRESENT – D. Creed-Newton (in the Chair – DCN), M. Allfrey (MA), K. Nason (KN), R. Diamond (RD), C. Lowder (CL), A. Eldridge (AE) P. Diamond (PD) and F. Beard (FB). Several members of the PPSG were also in attendance.

APOLOGIES for inability to attend the meeting were received and approved from M. Brooksbank, R. Gill and J. Edgar who were away on business and P. Stanley for family reasons.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST in items on the Agenda – MA declared a personal interest in connection with the fact that he owned land in the Village.

AGENDA item – to consider the draft Parish Plan as presented by the Parish Plan Steering Group – PD made a presentation to see if there are any issues which come out of the draft Plan. The Chairman proposed a vote of thanks to everyone who has been involved for all the work which has gone into the presentation of the Plan.

The Chairman closed the meeting to allow public participation

PD reported that the PPSG had reviewed the Village Design Statement (VDS) advising that the only changes made to the VDS were to take into account new developments in the area. Further changes would be inevitable in line with the Local Development Framework which comes into effect in 2013. The Parish Plan had been founded on consultations and a detailed Questionnaire and commented that some of the actions in the plan have already been fulfilled as follows –

- A flood survey - drawn up by the Parish Council working group and lodged with Herefordshire Council.
- Pre- school education - in progress following a planning application for the School.
- Housing needs survey – this has been done by Herefordshire Council in line with its timetable –we await the results.
- Waste collection – this has been introduced by Herefordshire Council.
- Rights of way map - this is in hand through a County wide Herefordshire initiative, with a new notice board awaiting installation.
- The web-site - now up and running thanks to the hard work of KN, and
- Speed control and other improvements to the A4103, initiated and steered by a residents' group. We are advised by Herefordshire Council that this is under consideration,

A question and answer session took place, when it was agreed the Plan cannot work without active contributions and “champions” from the Community. A launch of the plan at an open meeting was planned in September when volunteers would be sought to assist in implementation of the projects raised in the plan.

The Chairman re-opened the Parish Council meeting

RESOLVED – On a proposal by DCN, seconded by KN and carried, it was agreed the Parish Council adopt the plan in the knowledge that there will be further consultations carried out in September which may involve some minor changes/amendments and it was agreed to look to form a Parish Plan Group at the Parish Council meeting in July.

Signed – D.. Creed-Newton, Chairman. Dated – 13th July 2010.

