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Requests for Payment:

Toilet Cleaner & Bins – October	£252.77
Lengthsman Administrator Fee – ¾ year	£387.75
Parish Hall Hire	£38.50
V. Green strimming (agreed with Tony Norman) August/September - last occasion	£77.00
M. Meadow mowing – October	£47.38

All above transactions were approved by all.

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Planning

Application that was considered this evening:

DCNW2009/1954/F Oakview, West Street, Pembridge. HR6 9DX
Proposed lean-to to rear and the
repositioning/replacement
of a ground floor window and door to side elevation.

COMMENT: NO OBJECTIONS

Applications recently considered:

DCNW2009/1726/F Weston Court Barn, Weston, Pembridge. HR6 9JE
Proposed insertion of mezzanine floor and roof lights;
Insertion of first floor and external staircase to create
storage area in garage.

COMMENT: NO OBJECTIONS IN PRINCIPLE PROVIDED THE
PROPOSED MEZZANINE FLOOR MEETS WITH
LISTED BUILDING REGULATIONS.

DCNW2009/1762/F The Yeld, Lyonshall, Kington. HR5 3LY
Proposed re-siting of earth screen bund.

COMMENT: NO OBJECTIONS

DCNW2009/1769/F The Smithy, Weston Pembridge. HR6 9JE
Single storey extension to provide kitchen extension and
Lobby area.

COMMENT: NO OBJECTIONS

DCNW2009/1773/F Manressa House, Broxwood. HR6 9JH
Proposed demolition of outbuildings and replacement
with two storey and single storey extensions.

COMMENT: NO OBJECTIONS

C123

Allotments Provision update – Cllr. J. Purslow (brought forward on the Agenda)

Cllr. Purslow reported that he had made contact with Nick Read but nothing further had been heard back from him.

No land had been firmly offered for the use of allotments, but 4 local farmers have been asked to consider this use.

The Chairman requested that Nick Read be invited to attend the next PC meeting in order to make some progress. In the meantime the Clerk will reply to all those applicants who had written in stating that the matter is still under discussion.

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C124

Revised Parish Plan Update – Cllr. Mrs. P. LLoyd

Cllr. Duggan is progressing well with the Plan, and he estimates that there is about a further two months work to completion.

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C125	<p><u>Affordable Housing Update – Cllr. K. Duggan</u></p> <p>Cllr. Duggan has had no response from Jonathan Brookes despite leaving a message with his office.</p> <p>Cllrs. Duggan and Mrs. J. Mifflin would like to attend a site/street meeting when Marches Housing Association next visit.</p> <p>There were queries as to whether in fact there was funding available for the project. Also, the meeting was keen to know whether a planning application would soon be submitted to Herefordshire Council.</p> <p>The Clerk will write again to Mr. Brookes requesting an update and details of the funding process, asking for a response within two weeks.</p>	HH
C126	<p><u>GUEST SPEAKER – Russell Pryce – New Street Lighting Scheme (Apologies for being late)</u></p> <p>Russell explained that the statistics have been unduly delayed, past the allotted timeframe, and have therefore got to be commenced again. This means that the target installation date will be at the end of January at the earliest. Various details maps and plans were on display, and these are still being developed. Russell invited all present to tell him if there were any areas of particular concern or where there are specific requirements. The three additional areas where lighting has been requested will all be included, with same style lamps by agreement with Herefordshire Council's Highways Manager. Clerk will request that thanks are passed on to Clive Hall.</p> <p>As it is proposed to include a new lamp outside the Shop, and to remove the wall fitting there, there would no longer be a need for a 'Flicker' lamp. At the Shop and the two other areas where wall lamps will be removed, will all be replaced by poles at nearby suitable positions. Additional lighting near Townsend Caravan Park was requested to be positioned as close to the very eastern entrance where the road narrows if possible.</p> <p>Final drawings will be submitted to the Parish Council for its approval prior to implementation.</p> <p>Russell explained that he ideally would need the road to be closed for two weeks whilst the replacement work was in progress for safety of the workforce, and required the Parish Council's agreement for this, which was given.</p> <p>Clerk was requested to write in confirmation of the above points.</p>	HH
C127	<p><u>Introduction of a Speed Indicator Device (SID) in village</u></p> <p>The SID has been in position for one month and seems to have been effective, although it was noted that there were still a lot of speeding vehicles approaching the SID – over 50%.</p> <p>The Clerk has written and confirmed the Parish Council's request for the SID to be positioned a further three times over the next year.</p> <p>The dates have now been confirmed as being for the months of: December 2009 plus April and August 2010.</p> <p>Speed data for the first month's siting of the SID is available from the Clerk.</p> <p>Clerk was requested to send a copy of the data to Hereford Police traffic section to gauge their reactions/suggestions.</p>	HH
C128	<p><u>Lengthsman – Proposed way forward with tasks</u></p> <p>Written report by Dan Wenczek, Scheme Administrator was discussed.</p> <p>General discussion took place about various aspects of the scheme, and its progression.</p> <p>The clean-up of the oil spill on the railings was approved.</p>	HH

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<p>There was some concern voiced about costing for work undertaken by the Lengthsman. A request was made for a tidy up/de-seeding of Bridge Street again. Clerk would request this of the Lengthsman Administrator.</p>	<p>HH</p>
<p><u>Meeting Closed for the next two items</u></p>	
<p>C129 <u>Parishioners Questions</u> A question was asked about the allotments and whether they could be used commercially, and whether there was a limit to the number of plots an individual could have. It was explained that an allotment would not be able to be used for commercial purposes, and that two plots was the maximum number that an individual could hold.</p>	
<p>C130 <u>Ward Councillor's Report (Cllr. R. Phillips)</u></p> <p><u>Traffic</u> I think the SID figures make interesting reading. It shows a decline in the number of vehicles at the present travelling though the village compared with previous years but with an approx 50/50 split on those observing the limit and not. It would be good to engage our local Community Support Officer on the matter. Speeding is an issue throughout my ward but getting some police response is difficult. I am working with Lyonshall on their problems, which include motorcycles on the A44. I have recorded the figures in my report in the parish magazine.</p> <p><u>Schools Task Force</u> The Parish Council will have received a copy of the Task Force paper on schools for consultation. The paper outlines some of the potential problems of falling rolls and how to deal with the matter. Broadly it recommends more pro active thinking and planning particularly by governing bodies towards joint working with other schools to ensure good standards of education and keep open local schools. Pembridge feeds to Lady Hawkins High School and there is a good strong track record of co-operation between both the High and local feeder primaries. Merging administration costs, sharing teaching and non-teaching staff is a far better alternative in my view to a school remaining doggedly independent and losing numbers and struggling to deliver high standards of education. Pembridge is in a very strong position so the paper is not as relevant to us but nonetheless I hope the PC would support the principles of the paper.</p> <p><u>Old Stepps Railings</u> During the Summer there was an Oil spillage here and oil residue went over the railings. The local business have approached me about them been cleaned off. I email all email Parish Councillors as I thought this was something the Lengthsman could do. I hope that is still the opinion of the Parish Council.</p> <p><u>New Bin Collection</u> If there any problems on the new contract please phone 01432260051.</p>	
<p><u>Meeting Reopened</u></p>	
<p>C131 <u>Parish Matters Arising/Correspondence for Action</u> a) CAP Printer storage site - is to remain at the school for the present time, and may be used for printing the parish magazine with the use of cheaper version ink cartridges.</p>	
<p>PAGE 043/2009</p>	<p>Chairman:</p>

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<p>b) Parish Freighter has been booked for: Sat. 28th November 8am -10 am at the Hall Car Park.</p> <p>c) November Group Parish Council photograph – please pencil in the date so that all will be present. Wednesday 18th November at 6.30 pm.</p> <p>d) Village Green Conservation Project – Final Report Form has been sent to Kingspan Trust.</p> <p>e) Participatory Budgeting Scheme – discussion on set-aside sums in budget, etc. Noted.</p> <p>f) Kington Blackboard – Noted, but not considered to be beneficial to Pembridge.</p> <p>g) Resident’s request for PC improvements of track to Long Meadow was considered, but rejected, as councillors thought that the track was not in too poor a condition. Clerk to respond.</p>	
<p>h) Village Hall development – Cllr. Duggan, in his capacity as PC representative on the Village Hall Management Committee expressed concern that there were some radical changes being proposed by the Committee, i.e. to tarmac over the large greened area at the side of the car park, and to fence off an area of the green frontage so that small children could play there.</p> <p>Cllr. Duggan was directed to look at the Charity Commission website to fully understand his duties and responsibilities as a trustee of the Village Hall Management Committee.</p> <p>Clerk will also provide Cllr. Duggan with some training information.</p>	HH
<p>i) Clerk has written to Playworld Systems requesting remedial works to the playground.</p>	HH
<p>j) Shobdon Airfield Noise Abatement Committee – 21st October at 18.00 hrs. No attendance.</p>	
<p>k) Clerk has been advised that Quality Status for the Parish Council has now lapsed.</p>	
<p>l) Phone Kiosk at Broxwood – various terms and conditions apply re maintenance and upkeep, which must be adhered to in the terms of the Adoption – It was suggested that a nominated councillor may like to oversee these. Cllr. Mrs. Lloyd agreed to, with the help of other local Broxwood residents. Clerk will e mail all the information to her in readiness.</p>	TM HH
<p>m) Xmas Trees to be ordered to the sum of £300. Funds raised on the night of the swich-on/outdoor social event will offset any other expenses. Christmas trees will be erected around the village on 29th November, and the official ‘switch-on’ and evening outdoor social event around the Market Hall will be on 4th December.</p>	
<p>n) Playground could do with a tidy up and fallen leave swept up Cllr. Mrs. Smith kindly agreed to do this with her children.</p> <p>It was noted that dog owners are allowing their dogs to run free on the Meadow, and are not cleaning up after their dogs foul there. Clerk requested to put a feature in the parish magazine.</p>	SS HH
<p>o) Magazine advertisers have been invoiced for another year’s advertising.</p>	
<p>p) HALC meeting to discuss 2008/09 Accounts and to set fees for 2010/11 is to be held at Brockington at 7.30pm on 9th November. All welcome.</p>	
<p>q) The Annual Bonfire Party will be held on 5th November on M. Meadow. Turf will not be removed prior to the bonfire, but reseeding of the area will take place after a thorough clean-up of the area.</p>	JM

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Next Meetings

Wednesday 18th November, 2009 at **6.30 pm** in the Parish Hall – **Group Photograph** and full Parish Council meeting.

Wednesday 2nd December 2009 – Finance Group only meeting to set budget/precept for 2010/11. All welcome.

Wednesday 16th December 2009 at **7.15 pm** full Parish Council meeting.

Meeting Closed at 10.15 pm