



KENTCHURCH

PARISH COUNCIL

*Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of
Kentchurch Parish Council
held at The Auction Rooms, Pontrilas
on Wednesday 19th September 2018*

No KPC/MW/076

Present

Councillor Mr K J (John) Chance Chairman
Councillor Mr J L Pring Vice – Chairman
Councillor Mrs H Adams
Councillor Mr T Edwards

Clerk Mr M Walker

Also Present

One further member of the public

Meeting declared open by the Chairman at 7.30pm

1.0 Apologies

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor Mr J Cole,
Ward Councillor Mr Peter Jinman and Mr Dave Roden Lengthsman/Contractor
Locality Steward Mr Paul Norris and Police Representative not present

2.0 Declarations of Interest

- 2.1** To receive any declarations of interest in agenda items
No declarations of interest were made
- 2.2** To consider any written applications for dispensation
No written declarations of interest made

3.0 Minutes

The Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting No KPC/MW/075 held on
Wednesday the 18th July 2018 were signed by the Chairman as a true record

4.0 Financial Report

4.1 Receipts

Herefordshire Council Precept 2nd Part BACS 2574561 £3,750.00

4.2 Invoices for Payment

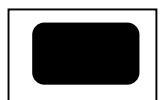
Parish Council Insurance Zurich Municipal Invoice No 32794840 £275.40
12/09/2018 – 11/09/2019

Kiosk added to policy and Defibrillator when purchased
Cheque 100982

Clerk's Salary August 2018 Gross £260.65
Mileage £17.19
Postage £6.96

TAX £52.20 NIC £0.00

Nett Pay £232.60
Cheque 100983



Information Commissioner's Office Z9612633 24/09/2018 – 23/09/2019 (Direct Debit)	£35.00
Clerk's Salary September 2018 Gross	£260.65
Postage	£0.58 pence
TAX £52.00 NIC £0.00	
Nett Pay	£209.23
Cheque 100985	
HMR&C 2 nd Quarter Payment July August September	£156.40
Cheque 100986	

4.3 Bank Balances as per Barclays Internet Printed Statements

Community Account @ 3 rd September 2018	£1,922.65
Bank Reconciliation 19 th September 2018 to agree with Bank Statement dated 03/09/2018 and signed by Chairman	£1,922.65
Business Premium Account @ 2 nd July 2018	£17,068.71
Bank Reconciliation 19 th September 2018 to agree with Bank Statement dated 02/07/2018 and signed by Chairman	£17,068.71

All Payment Unanimously Approved

{Finance/Reconciliation Sheets given to all Parish Councillors}

- 4.4** Purchase of External Hard Drive
Reimbursement to Parish Clerk for "Backup Plus Slim Hard Drive 1 TB" £47.99
(Reimbursement to Clerk paid by credit card)
Cheque Number 100984
- 4.5** Barclays Bank Mandate Form (extra signatory required)
*Form given to Councillor Mrs Heather Adams for completion and verification at Barclays Bank
Details verified*
Councillor Mr K J (John) Chance Chairman required to provide details for verification and took
completed forms
Agenda item for the next full Parish Council meeting

5.0 Reports

5.1 Ward Councillor Mr Peter Jinman

17th September 2018 Malcolm, Unfortunately I am away at a conference on Wednesday so will miss the meeting. Could I please have John Pring's email address and also John Chance's

A few comments from me:-

As this is the first meeting since the summer holidays there is not so much to report as everything is now starting as people come back from the holiday period. The number of emails that came back saying, 'x is away until' meant that contact and response time was slow or much delayed.

Planning applications did however continue to come in across the ward and the loss of three from the planning department has meant a bigger workload for those remaining while recruitment gets underway.

I spent some time keeping contact with the Herefordshire Council officials responsible for the oversight of the recent weekend festival and my enquiries after the event seem to suggest that it passed off with little evidence of problems but I would be interested to hear the views of the Parish Council. The owner has said that this event is one that he intends will be repeated annually. It may be that, should that be the case, a different form of licencing may be required and even planning permission but that depends on what the organiser and land owner decide to do. It might be sensible for the Parish Council to meet with the event organiser well before the event and discuss any issues that have arisen this year or concerns as to the future.



As you will have seen the Hereford Times carried the notice for the speed limit change on the A465. I am still disappointed that the limit has not been taken even lower where the crossing point for pedestrians is situated re Ewyas Harold. I will take advice from the Parish Council but I have been advised that the police have stated that they cannot see the enforcement for any lower speed limit as being possible and that the 50 limit is therefore the lowest they would accept.<

Regards, Peter Cllr Jinman

5.2 Police Report

See Item 12.0

5.3 Lengthsman Report

10th July 2018 Balfour Beatty / Herefordshire Council Parish Paths Partnership (P3) and Parish Lengthsman Schemes Contract signed and returned

5.4 Memorial Hall Delegate Report

Councillor Mr Trefor Edwards asked for the sad death of Mr Terry Jones to be recorded in the minutes. He had been Treasurer for Ewyas Harold Memorial Hall and would be very much missed.

Last week there had been an “H Art” Craft Fayre in the Memorial Hall

6.0 Public Question Time

Designated maximum period of 10 minutes to accommodate members of the public who may wish to either raise or ask the Parish Council questions

No matters raised

7.0 Planning Application for Consideration

Application No 183049 Land near No1 Railway Terrace, Pontrilas
Application for approval of reserved matters following outline approval P152064/O
For proposed bungalow with detached garage

Resolved:- Unanimously to support the application

8.0 Telephone Kiosk, Defibrillator Grant and Training

Kiosk purchase, Defibrillator Grant Application, Future Training Dates

Telephone Kiosk in Pontrilas purchased for £1.00 from BT, the Kiosk is now the property of Kentchurch Parish Council.

Defibrillator Grant has been applied for, awaiting confirmation of award

Defibrillator Training will be arranged in Ewyas Harold Memorial Hall after Kentchurch Defibrillator is installed in Kiosk in Pontrilas.

Both Pontrilas and Kentchurch Kiosks require cleaning and verge and hedge tidying

Lengthsman Dave Roden to be contacted by the Clerk

9.0 Sunrise Celebration Festival on Kentchurch Estate

To receive any updates and agree any further action required

No complaints had been received during or after the festival

Noise was not a problem and music seemed good

Overall a good natured event

Bagged rubbish (on private land) was still on site three weeks after festival

Local businesses had profited from festival goers

10.0 Parish Council Newsletter Contract

To consider for approval Newsletter Publication Contract

Newsletter Publication Contract signed by Councillor Mr John Chance Chairman, Councillor Mr Trefor Edwards and Clerk

11.0 Highways and Footpaths

11.1 To receive **new** information on any Parish Highway including Public Footpath Issues

Weed killing through Pontrilas Village and footpath south of the village - Lengthsman Dave Roden to be contacted by the Clerk

No 2 house – overhanging hedge



Tunnel Road now has white markings
Hand rail corner of Spitehouse and village

Clerk to contact Mr Michael Pritchard and ask if available and costings for embankment work

“13th August 2018 Hi Malcom, I have attended the above location today and can report as follows.

1/ I have reported several potholes for repair at the junction.

2/ I have been into see the site manager regarding the reinstatement works and the large amount of gravel at the junctions. The gravel has been swept up and I have reported the new works to the NRSWA team.

This included the sub standard of work, lack of signage reinstated and other problems.

3/ I have spoken with Chris Wright in Structures and Bridges and have referred the C1234 over road above the tunnel to his department and he has referred this to Network Rail.

4/ The Barrier by the River is on the list of his works to be completed and he has said it is near the top.

5/ The drop by the old Pub and along the highway I have asked once again Chris to have his team revisit and assess what can or will be done.

With this in mind, I had noted the hedge at the pub has been removed? If over 30 years old I believe this something that requires permission from HC? If no permission was granted this maybe an issue the Parish wish to chase.

As you can see I haven't got to the footpath yet but does the Parish have PFO?

Most of the above are beyond my remit with being able to progress further. Should the PC wish an update it might be prudent to have a letter or email sent to a Richard Perkins who runs the Asset Management department to prompt them. Hope this helps Regards Paul”

11.2 A465 Llangua Speed Limit TRO Statutory Consultation 06/09/2018-28/09/2018

Speed Limit TRO on the A465 not ideal but will have to accept

12.0 Information Sheet

Sheet to include update on previous action points and a list of correspondence received

Planning Applications Update

2nd May 2018 Planning Application 181592 1, Hill Cottages Pontrilas
Proposed extension to side

Planning Application Granted 7th August 2018

2nd May 2017 Planning Application P171547/XA2 Timber and Builders Merchant Pontrilas
Application for approval of details reserved by conditions 3, 4 and 15 attached to planning permission 142033
Type PP Approval of details reserved by condition

Still Valid

10th January 2018 Planning Application 174767 Land South East of A465 near Pontrilas Sawmills
Pontrilas Hereford HR2 0BE
Proposed re-location of Black Mountain Quarries comprising the change of use of land for storage, processing and sale of natural stone and associated products, stone cutting building, dispatch building, offices, display areas and associated staff and customer parking, sustainable drainage and new vehicular access
Type Council Development Reg 4

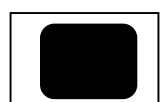
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Information Only

1st August 2018 Planning Application 182734 Penylan Farm Pontrilas
Prior Notification for a proposed change of use of 2 agricultural buildings for wedding ceremonies and as party venues
Application Type (Part 3) Class R – Prior Approval

This application is for prior approval determination for a change of use and as such the new legislation does not require you to respond to this communication

Withdrawn Application 3rd September 2018



Correspondence
20th July 2018

Governance Support Team “Dear Parish and Town Clerks –
Please may I ask that the email is forwarded on to your respective parish councillors.
Many thanks for your assistance.

Dear Parish Councillor,

I wish to notify you that Herefordshire Council has temporarily restricted public access to all of the parish councillors declarations of interest on the council’s public web-site. This course of action has been taken due an issue with the software used to redact information on some of the declarations of interest forms. We are in the process of rectifying this issue and aim to have all of the declaration of interest forms back online and publicly available by Monday 30 July.

Yours sincerely, John Coleman Democratic Services Manager Herefordshire Council”

11 August 2018

Subject: Commercial Camp Site “Good Morning Mr Low

Kentchurch Parish Council have been approached with regards to a commercial camp site within their area.

I have included a link to the site’s advertisement and booking website.

The Parish Council have been asked if this site would require planning permission and if so has such an application been granted.

<https://follyoaks.wixsite.com/deerheart/accomodation>

Best Regards Malcolm Walker Clerk to Kentchurch Parish Council”

13th August 2018

“Dear Mr Walker

There is no planning history for the site so based on the assumption that they intend to operate for more than 28 days per calendar year, planning permission would be required.

I will visit at the end of this month and see what is going on.

I will provide you with an update shortly afterwards.

Regards Scott Low Planning Enforcement Officer”

[August 2018 Golden Valley Safer Neighbourhood Team \(SNT\) Newsletter](#)

Your team, based at Peterchurch

PC 164 Roger Bradley 07976 938 755 roger.bradley@westmercia.pnn.police.uk

PCSO 6173 Fiona Witcher 07773 054582 fiona.witcher@westmercia.pnn.police.uk

PCSO 6378 Pete Knight 07773 053919 peter.knight@westmercia.pnn.police.uk

News from the Nick Starting this month, our colleagues at the Hereford & Worcester Fire and Rescue Service are going to contribute to our newsletter, advising you on news and events from Peterchurch and Ewyas Harold fire stations, plus advice and tips on staying safe in and around your home. See the end of this newsletter.

Crime Trends 1st – 31st July 2018 Between 25th June and 11th July while the occupants were away on holiday, persons unknown entered the rear garden of a house in **Kingstone** and attempted to steal a large stone griffin – it was too heavy to lift however, but a smaller terracotta flower pot was stolen instead Incident ref 395-s-110718

A handbag containing a purse with bank cards and other items was stolen from inside an insecure vehicle parked in a farm yard in **Vowchurch** sometime between 1pm and 6pm on Saturday 14th July Incident ref 861-s-140718

Overnight on Monday 16th – Tuesday 17th July, a red Honda quad bike was stolen from a locked shipping container on a smallholding in **Clehonger**. Also taken were a Stihl strimmer, a Stihl chainsaw and a battery charger. The offenders took the bike across several fields and exited onto the B4349 Clehonger – Eaton Bishop road where they cut a metal fence Incident ref 92-s-170718

Sometime between 6pm on Monday 23rd July and 8am on Tuesday 31st July, two tyres were deliberately punctured on a muck spreader that was parked by a field on the **Ewyas Harold/Pontrilas** border, just off the A465. The cost to replace the tyres will be almost £3,000, please call 101 if you have any information Incident ref 109-s-310718



There have been several reported incidents of sheep worrying by dogs across the area including [Longtown](#), [Dulas](#) and [Vowchurch](#). Sheep have been killed but the dogs have not been caught.

In another incident in [Eaton Bishop](#) where sheep were killed, the two dogs responsible were caught and the owner has paid the farmer for the damage caused. As you can imagine, these incidents are very distressing, both for the farmers and obviously more so for the unfortunate sheep. It is the fault of the dog owners and not the dogs, so, if you are a dog owner, please be aware of where your pets are at all times.

If you have any information regarding any crime you can contact police on 101, in an emergency please dial 999. Please be aware that any information provided within this letter is to inform you of incidents of note and to request possible assistance. We do not want to worry you in anyway. Any incidents stated are infrequent and spread about a wide area, and are over a whole month. Herefordshire is a safe place to live!

[Court Results](#) The Environment Agency has recently been involved in a case where several ponds on a farm in [Madley](#) had been in filled with waste material.

The civil engineering company responsible pleaded guilty to one offence contrary to Regulations 12 (1) and 38 of the Environmental Permitting (England & Wales) Regulations 2010. The sentence imposed was a fine of £50,000. The company was also ordered to pay the Environment Agency's costs of £50,000.

[Scam news](#) The below article has recently appeared on our website, and I know it's a subject that has been raised before in our newsletter, but it's worth highlighting the issue again. It is especially important for the message to be passed to those elderly and vulnerable members of our communities who don't have access to the internet – if you have family members or neighbours that this could apply to, please inform them.

[Bogus callers are operating in Worcestershire and Herefordshire](#) Police are urging the public to trust their instincts and to pass on information about telephone frauds operating within Herefordshire and Worcestershire to friends, relatives and neighbours - particularly the elderly and vulnerable.

West Mercia Police have seen a recent increase in fraudsters claiming to be from various police services around the country. These include callers that are pretending to be police officers from London's Westminster and Hammersmith forces.

They often target the old and vulnerable and we would urge everyone to tell someone, by passing on the information about the bogus callers to relatives, friends and neighbours who may not have heard about the local telephone scam in operation.

Scams include:

- A phone caller pretending to be a police officer who is investigating corrupt bank staff, or a bank investigating its own staff.
- The phone caller will tell the victim their account has been subject to such a fraud and that they must cooperate with the 'investigation'.
- The victim is then persuaded to withdraw funds and hand them over to the 'investigators', either by some remote means or in person to a courier.
- Alternatively the victim may be asked to hand over bank cards, vouchers or other valuable items. They may also be asked to transfer funds to another account, which is controlled by the fraudsters.

These scams can be extremely convincing and manipulative. The fraudsters may give (alleged) crime numbers, investigation details, and job titles. They will always claim that the transaction must be done in secret. The fraudsters condition their victim not to trust bank branch staff, which can make it hard for those staff to help.

These calls are not genuine and payments should not be made. No legitimate bank/building society, police officer, or business will ever phone you to ask you to give them your card, your PIN, or your cash in the way we've described above.

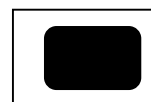
Detective Inspector Emma Wright, head of West Mercia Police's Economic Crime Unit, said: "Don't trust anyone who calls you about your bank details. Always hang up and wait 10 minutes, or use another telephone line, to ensure the call has disconnected before making another call.

"If you want to check a caller is legitimate, find their number via directory enquiries or another trusted source and call them back, do not use a number provided by the caller.

If they are genuine, you should be able to get through to them. You can also check what they are saying is true by contacting your bank in person or on a number you know for the bank.

"The scams are elaborate, very convincing and cruel. If you think someone is trying to defraud you, tell someone straight away. Don't be pressured.

"Give yourself time to stop and think. Please remember the police will never contact you asking for your bank card, bank details, cash or valuables.



"If someone does, it's a scam - provide no details and hand nothing over, hang up and report it immediately to Action Fraud at www.actionfraud.police.uk or 0300 123 2040."

She added: "We are asking for help from the public to spread this message throughout the wider community and would urge you to pass it on, particularly to elderly relatives or neighbours, reminding them not to trust anyone who asks them for their bank details or who requests the handover of bank cards, money or valuable items.

" If you get a phone call like the ones we've described, hang up - do not provide any personal details or hand anything over. Then report it to Action Fraud at www.actionfraud.police.uk or 0300 123 2040.

If the crime is still in progress, because for example, you have recently provided bank details or handed over cards or cash, or the caller has arranged for someone to visit your address to collect items, you should call the police to report this on 101. In an emergency dial 999.

If you need some support from your bank or building society, go to your local branch or phone them on the correct number (not one a mystery caller gives you, as this is likely to be part of the scam)



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FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE



News from your local Fire Crews The Joint Open day on 14/07/18 was a great success and thank you to all those who came along and supported us; lots of advice and support was offered by both the Fire Service and Police. There was also a chance to have a go at a Fire fighter taster session where people could have a go at some of the things fire fighters have to do, which is all part of the On Call Fire fighter Recruitment for both stations. There was a demonstration by crews of a house fire in the purpose built fire house training facility. The Ariel appliance from Hereford came along and rescued Blaze bear from the top of 1 of the buildings.

What is a Home Fire Safety Check? A Home Fire Safety Check is a visit to your home by a member of our Community Risk team, who will offer fire safety advice to keep you and your family safe. Members of the team will also install smoke alarms where needed, and will encourage you to work out an escape plan specific to your home and circumstances. This can be as simple as heading down the stairs, knowing where your keys are, unlocking the door and leaving the property. This can make a huge difference if a fire breaks out in your home, particularly at night.

Who can have a Home Fire Safety Check? Home Fire Safety Checks are free and are aimed at more vulnerable groups in the community including the elderly, people living alone and those with reduced mobility or sensory impairment.

If you think an elderly family member, friend or neighbour might benefit from a visit to get in touch and request one on their behalf.

How can I arrange a Home Fire Safety Check? Contact our Community Risk team via our on-line form or call 0800 032 1155 for advice.

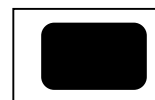
Outside fire safety advice.... Hereford & Worcester Fire and Rescue Service (HWFRS) is issuing important safety advice, as fire crews have attended a number of incidents involving fires in the open recently.

Station Commander Steve Andrews said: "We have been experiencing some dry, warm weather and it is only natural to want to go outdoors and enjoy it with family and friends but it is also important to stay fire aware when out and about, as every year fire destroys thousands of acres of countryside and wildlife habitats."

He continued "With the hot weather set to make a return, continue, we are asking the public to be vigilant and by following these few simple steps we can all help to reduce the chance of a wildfire."

- Extinguish cigarettes properly, don't throw cigarette ends on the ground or out of car windows.
- Take your rubbish with you, especially glass bottles, which can magnify the sun's rays and start a fire as well as hurt people and animals.
- Avoid open fires in the countryside. Always have them in safe designated areas.
- If you see a fire in the countryside, report it immediately to the Fire & Rescue Service. Early detection can prevent it from developing into a large wildfire incident.
- Don't attempt to tackle fires that can't be put out with a bucket of water – leave the area as quickly as possible.
- Landowners and Land Managers are also advised, where possible, to ensure that fire breaks are cut and well maintained with any cut grasses and vegetation removed from the site.
- Remember that arson is a crime and will be prosecuted.

We would also ask people to be extra cautious when lighting barbeques and bonfires. If you must have an open fire:



- Only use barbeques in suitable and safe areas, never leave them unattended.
- Never use petrol, it can ignite quickly and soon get out of control. Only use approved lighting fuels.
- Make sure it is downwind and at least 10 metres away from any buildings or structures.
- Clear dry vegetation, such as leaves, to form a circle of earth around the fire.
- Never leave fires unattended and make sure they are fully extinguished after use.

You can follow both of your local crews on Facebook at either,

Peterchurch Fire Station <https://www.facebook.com/Peterchurch-Fire-Station-153087025359064/>

Ewyas Harold Fire Station <https://www.facebook.com/EwyasHaroldHWFRS>

September 2018 Golden Valley Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT) Newsletter

Crime Trends 1st – 30th August 2018

A grey Antler suitcase was stolen from a front porch of a Bed & Breakfast establishment in **Longtown** between 10.20 – 11.15am on Saturday 4th August. The case contained a quantity of walking gear, toiletries, maps and other items belonging to a gent on a walking holiday Incident ref 515-s-040818

Several wheelie bins that were left out for the recycling collection in **Madley** were upturned in a field and their contents strewn around – this happened in two locations in the village, one incident near The Comet Inn and the other at the opposite end of Stoney Street. This happened overnight on Sunday 5th/Monday 6th August Incident ref 94-s-060818

A full size net from a goalpost was stolen from the playing fields at the rear of **Belmont Abbey** sometime between Friday 3rd/Sunday 5th August Incident ref 781-s-060818

Sometime between Monday 30th July/Wednesday 8th August, a Suzuki Jimny jeep parked in Callowside, **Ewyas Harold** was damaged by having graffiti sprayed all over it Incident ref 499-s-080818

A vehicle parked in a disabled bay in Innesfield, **Clehonger**, had both rear tyres punctured by nails sometime during the night of Thursday 9th/Friday 10th August. There was a disabled badge on display in the vehicle at the time Incident ref 197-s-130818

A white stone 5' statue of a lady was stolen from the rear garden of a property near **Belmont Abbey** overnight on Wednesday 22nd/Thursday 23rd August Incident ref 619-s-230818.

If you have any information regarding any crime you can contact police on 101, in an emergency please dial 999. Please be aware that any information provided within this letter is to inform you of incidents of note and to request possible assistance. We do not want to worry you in anyway.

Any incidents stated are infrequent and spread about a wide area, and are over a whole month.

Herefordshire is a safe place to live!

Stop That Thief Burglary of sheds and outbuilding is still one of the main concerns amongst the rural Community

Although the incidents remain low, it is still a major worry by people living in remote locations.

Our Priority is to keep you and your property safe from harm and theft, we are therefore providing advice on how the community can help themselves from becoming victims of crime. West Mercia

Police have recently introduced a scheme called "Stop That Thief" aimed at helping businesses and farms from becoming victims of crime.

Working in partnership with the National Farmers Union (NFU) through the local Safer Neighbourhood teams can add another layer of security to your home, farm or other business where vulnerabilities are identified during a series of specific assessments. These start with a visit from your local officer and if appropriate a referral to Stop That Thief! specialist who will carry out a survey to look at ways to help protect your property. This will be fully discussed with you to make sure it fulfils your requirements.

The security measures are installed by a trained technician working on behalf of the NFU, for a trial period of up to three weeks. This compliments the advice provided during a visit by your local officer on crime reduction measures including security marking and property listing.

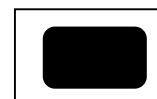
All visits and advice are offered free and without obligation. Costs for the fitting of any equipment, if agreed, will be made clear during the specialist survey. For further information contact us.

Security Tips Keep your outer buildings locked and consider whitewashing windows of sheds to stop people looking inside. Fit good quality locks and consider fitting a shed alarm.

Consider fitting good security lights covering outbuildings and drive ways.

Close gates, this makes it time consuming for a person to enter your property.

Mark property to help identify it. This can be done either with ultra violet pens or Smart Water. Or making visible marks with etching, paint or permanent marker



Make a note of all serial numbers of tools and electrical equipment, consider photographing the items.

Do Not leave garden tools around the garden or yard, doing so provides a thief with the tools to break into your house. Close windows and ensure all doors are locked when you leave your property.

Do Not leave valuable items on show in your car whether it is out shopping or parked at home.

Never, Never leave the car unlocked, or with the keys in the ignition when it is unattended. Not even for a couple of minutes. Doing so could affect your insurance.

Do Not leave your car running unattended whilst it defrosts, this is a traffic offence on a public road and it leaves your vehicle vulnerable to THEFT.

Do Not leave Laptops on view or other valuable items.

Do Not leave Car Keys on hooks in the kitchen or on hall tables, this is the first place a thief will look.

Fly tipping The difference between litter and fly tipping

Small items (example: Cigarette ends, food packets and drinks cans) that are improperly discarded will be classed as litter rather than fly tipping.

As a guideline a single bag of rubbish will usually be considered fly tipping rather than litter. For more information on litter and fly tipping, please visit the Keep Britain Tidy website.

Report rubbish tipped in a public place or roadside All incidents of fly tipping in a public place should be reported to Herefordshire Council

Report large scale fly tipping To report more organised large-scale fly tipping, such as lorries dumping large amounts of waste, please contact: Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111 available 24 hours a day

The Environment Agency incident hotline on 0800 807060, available 24 hours a day

What you can do prevent fly tipping There are a number of things you can do to prevent fly tipping, with further advice available on the National Fly Tipping Prevention Group website:

Advice for Households If you find yourself with waste which cannot be disposed of through your normal council waste collection service there are a plenty of commercial waste collection companies who can assist you for a fee.

Before engaging anyone, it is a good idea to check with your local council to see if your waste can be collected by them as a special collection (for which a charge may be made) or taken to a local council household waste and recycling centre where it can normally be disposed of for free.

All householders have a legal 'duty of care' to ensure that waste is only given to people who are registered waste carriers. It is an offence to fail to make these checks. You could face an **unlimited fine** if your waste ends up fly-tipped and you cannot show that you took reasonable steps to prevent it.

Whenever you are considering arranging for anyone other than your local council service provider to collect any waste from your household, always follow the **SCRAP code**:

1 **Suspect.** Beware of rogue waste carriers – reputable companies do not usually make direct approaches. If in any doubt as to whether someone is a legitimate waste carrier, do not allow them to take your waste.

1 **Check.** Ask for their waste carrier registration details, and verify them by checking the online register or by calling **03708 506 506**. Note down the registration number of the vehicle used to take your waste away.

1 **Refuse** unsolicited offers to have any rubbish taken away. Always carry out your own research and choose who you wish to approach.

1 **Ask questions.** Always ask what exactly is going to happen to your rubbish and seek evidence that it is going to be disposed of appropriately. A legitimate, professional waste carrier who wants your business should not object to being asked reasonable questions.

1 **Paperwork.** Make sure you get a proper receipt containing the written information for your waste. This should include what has been removed, and where it will be going. Make sure the Company or tradesman's details are included.

Next month there will be advice for landowners dealing with fly tipping.

News from your local Fire Crews As the evenings turn colder, Hereford & Worcester Fire and Rescue Service are urging people to ensure chimneys are clean and in good order.

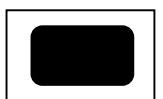
Regular inspection and cleaning of chimney flues will help eliminate the build-up of soot from coal, wood, oil and gas-fired systems. Sweeping also clears obstructions such as bird nests, leaves and debris.

You should have your chimney swept before lighting the first fire of the winter and also ensure that any appliances which haven't been used for a while are given a safety check.

How often should I clean my chimney?

HWFRS recommend the following simple maintenance routines:

- **Solid fuel fires** – Once a year for smokeless fuel; twice a year for coal



- **Wood burning fires** – four times a year when in use
- **Gas fires** – Once a year if designed for sweeping
- **Oil fires** – Once a year

The Fire Service also advises that you:

- Place a fireguard in front of the fire at all times
- Extinguish all fires before going to bed or leaving the property unattended
- Do not burn paper or rubbish on fires in the grate
- Check for smoke from cracks in the chimney breast
- Install a working smoke alarm in the roof space (note: manufacturers may not recommend installing their product in an unconverted loft space and doing so may invalidate the warranty of the product. Please check the guidance notes or contact the manufacturer prior to installation)
- Consider fitting a carbon monoxide detector

Soot and smoke from a small chimney fire can cause extensive damage to personal property while larger fires can damage the roof, wipe out the first floor or even destroy a home completely.

Ensure that your smoke alarms, including any fitted in the roof space, are in full working order you have early warning should the chimney catch alight.

Additional information and advice regarding safely heating your home using solid fuel can be found on the HETAS website. This includes information, guidance and HETAS advice on the following topics:

- Chimneys and linings
- Carbon Monoxide
- Installing and using solid fuel stove
- Solid fuel appliances and Building Regulations
- Smoke control areas

Approved chimney sweeps operating in your area can be found at:

- www.nacs.org.uk • www.apics.org.uk • www.guildofmasterchimneysweeps.co.uk

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13.0 Matters Relayed to the Clerk for the Agenda of the Next Meeting

Bank Mandate Form

Speed Limit – Ward Councillor Peter Jinman


Budget / Projects Fiscal year 2019 - 2020

Speed Indicator Devices (SIDs)

14.0 Date, Time and Venue of Next Ordinary Meeting

The next meeting will be the Ordinary Parish Meeting to be held on Wednesday 21st November 2018, meeting to commence at 7.30pm in The Auction Rooms Pontrilas

Meeting Declared Closed 8.59pm

Signed..........

Parish Council Chairman Councillor Mr K J Chance

Dated this day the 5th December 2018