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<p>causing damage to the road surface of the U 94017 and placing the houses near the road junction at risk of flooding. Residents at Maund Bryan are concerned that the effect of increasing the size of the buildings at Maund Court will make the run-off situation worse and that the arrangements for holding water in an attenuation pond are inadequate to prevent this.</p> <p>(2) The Chairman said that the Planning Application had been discussed at the last Parish Council Meeting on 4th March and, while the Council had not objected to it in principle, it had expressed concern that the risk of increased run-off had not been properly addressed and that this should be done before Planning Permission was granted.</p> <p>(3) Mr Grumbley went on to say that it was very important for the residents of the Parish to sign up to a Neighbourhood Plan to ensure that they had a voice in future building development in the Parish. Otherwise, they could find themselves in a situation where they were unable to protect themselves from housing and commercial developments which they did not want, including those which might increase the risk of flooding to existing properties. He added that under the new Council Infrastructure Levy (CIL) system the Parish would be entitled to a proportion of the levy set by Herefordshire Council on building developments, other than those for affordable housing, and would be able to use this money to support community plans within the Parish. If the Parish has a Neighbourhood Plan in place it will receive 25% of the CIL in each case, but, if there is no Neighbourhood Plan, it will only be entitled to 15%. Mr Grumbley emphasised to the meeting that in future any funds flowing from the CIL could be deployed on projects like the Ketch Lane culvert upgrade. (<b>Afternote:</b> Moor Brook/U94017 Crossing - The Highways have now marked with yellow paint one area of the crossing).</p> <p>7. <b>Grants.</b> The Treasurer told the Meeting that he had approached the Kingspan Insulation Community Trust with a view to a grant towards the replacement of the twin culverts at the Ketch Lane/ Millcroft Road Junction. The Application had to be submitted by 30<sup>th</sup> September for consideration at the Trustees' Meeting on 8<sup>th</sup> November.</p> <p>8. <b>Waders.</b></p> <p>a. The Chairman reported that all the waders had now been received and added to the BFPG's Equipment List. He expressed his thanks to Mr Hemming for all he had done to obtain the waders for the Group.</p> <p>b. He reminded members that, although the funding for them had been from the Group, they were the property of the Parish Council and were held on charge by the Secretary.</p> <p>9. <b>Sandbag Cage Locks.</b> The Chairman asked that those on the list of key holders who had not yet collected or signed for their keys to contact the Secretary.</p>	Secretary
<p><b><u>ITEM 4 – EXTERNAL RELATIONS</u></b></p>	
<p>10. <b><u>Visit of the CEO of Herefordshire Council.</u></b></p> <p>a. The Chairman reminded members that almost exactly nine months ago (25th June 2012) our District Councillor, Cllr Jeremy Millar, had arranged for a visit by the then CEO of Herefordshire Council, Mr Chris Bull. The Chairman had used that opportunity to ask for Mr Bull's help in resolving two issues – the clearance of the culvert in Mr Pugh's field and the replacement of the Ketch Lane culverts. Mr Bull had promised to</p>	

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<p>investigate and get back to him, but, despite pressure from Cllr Millar for an answer, no response had been forthcoming before Mr Bull departed from his post.</p> <p>b. The new CEO of Herefordshire Council is Mr Alistair Neill and Cllr Millar had arranged for him to visit on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March to discuss BFPG matters. He had been accompanied by Mr Paul Nicholas, the Locality Manager for Leominster.</p> <p>c. The Chairman reported that he raised the same two issues with Mr Neill and added a third – the Maund Bryan culverts. Mr Neill had expressed great interest in what the Group have been doing and had been especially concerned to understand how Herefordshire Council can connect better with local communities.</p> <p>11. <b><u>Presentation to Mordiford Annual Parish Meeting.</u></b> The Chairman reported that he had been asked to give a presentation on the BFPG to the Annual Parish Meeting at Mordiford. He and the Secretary would attend and take with them the usual display of photographs and pamphlets. The Chairman added that he had also been approached by a resident of Cradley for advice on setting up a Flood Group there.</p>							
<p><b><u>ITEM 5 - TREASURER'S REPORT</u></b></p> <p>12. The Treasurer reported that the recent expenditure had been:</p> <table border="0" data-bbox="188 902 657 969"> <tr> <td>a.</td> <td>Room Hire</td> <td>£15.75</td> </tr> <tr> <td>b.</td> <td>Thigh Waders</td> <td>£98.96</td> </tr> </table> <p>13. The balance in the Group's account now stood at £2,092.04.</p>	a.	Room Hire	£15.75	b.	Thigh Waders	£98.96	
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<p><b><u>ITEM 6 – FUTURE PLANS</u></b></p> <p>14. <b><u>Annual Fund-Raising Quiz Night.</u></b> Mrs Griffiths confirmed that the Parish Hall had been booked for Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October. She said that, unless there were any objections, the Secretary would advertise the event in the <i>Newsletter</i> to reduce the chance of a clash of dates with another club or society, as had happened in the past. (<b>Afternote:</b> The Secretary has sent a notice to Mrs Howarth for publication in the <i>Newsletter</i>).</p> <p>15. <b><u>Working Party Sessions.</u></b></p> <p>a. The Chairman reminded members that Spring had officially started and that the British Summer Time would be starting on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> March. It was therefore time to think about working parties!</p> <p>b. Mr Stephens had suggested that the first working party session for 2013 should be on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April. Everything, of course, would depend on the weather, so the Secretary will confirm to everyone nearer the time whether or not the session is going ahead or is being cancelled – and, if all is well, where to meet and with what equipment.</p> <p>c. Mr Stephens said that initially he would be aiming to clear the drains and flap valves and to move on from there. He added that he hoped that by then there would be some answer regarding the culvert in Mr Pugh's field.</p>	<p><b>Secretary</b></p> <p><b>Secretary</b></p>						
<p><b><u>AGENDA ITEM 7 – ANY OTHER BUSINESS</u></b></p> <p>16. <b><u>Gift of a Barbecue.</u></b> Mrs Hemming told the Meeting that she would be donating a charcoal barbecue to the Group. The Chairman thanked her and Mr Hemming and added that it</p>							

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<p>would be very useful for the Annual Barbecue on 27<sup>th</sup> July.</p> <p>17. <b><u>Water Leak in Millcroft Road.</u></b> The continuing run of water down Millcroft Road from the C1125 junction was raised. The Chairman said that the general consensus was that the water was coming from a spring in the field behind the telephone box and that, since it had been reported to both Amey Herefordshire and Welsh Water on several occasions, there was no further action which could be taken for the time being. He said that he suspected that, given the number of potholes and other problems created by the continuing wintery weather, it did not feature as a high priority on either organisation's task list. He added that the Parish Council were aware of the situation, but that there was not a great deal more they could do about it either.</p> <p>18. <b><u>Date of the Next Meeting.</u></b> The next meeting will take place on Tuesday, 30<sup>th</sup> April 2013.</p> <p>19. There being no further business the meeting was closed at 8.00pm.</p>	

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Chairman

30<sup>th</sup> April 2013