## **BODENHAM FLOOD PROTECTION GROUP**



## MINUTES OF THE BODENHAM FLOOD PROTECTION GROUP'S MEETING AT THE SIWARD JAMES CENTRE AT 7.30PM ON TUESDAY, 28 FEBRUARY 2017

ITEM	ACTION
ITEM 1 - WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION BY CHAIRMAN	
<ol> <li>The Chairman welcomed members to the February Meeting. He reminded members that the telemetry system had issued a 0.5m alert on Sunday, 29 January which he had reported at the last Meeting. Since then there had been a second 0.5m alert three days later on 1 February, after which, despite Storms Doris and Ewan, the weather had remained relatively mild and dry for the rest of the month. Consequently he had nothing to report in relation to flood risk.</li> <li>Apologies. There were 23 members present and apologies were received from Cllr Baker, Mrs Bowden, Mrs Brown, Mrs Burnill, Miss Gibson, Mr and Mrs Griffiths, Mr Harris, Mr Maxwell, Mrs Parker, Mr Rice and Mr and Mrs Watson.</li> </ol>	
3. The Chairman asked members to approve the Minutes of the January Meeting. These had been circulated earlier with the Agenda and were also available in hard copy on the tables. Approval of the Minutes was proposed by Mr Brown, seconded by Mr Bowden and agreed.	
ITEM 3 – MATTERS ARISING	
4. Proposed Culvert Replacements. The Chairman reminded members that last August Herefordshire Council had commissioned Balfour Beatty Living Places (BBLP) to carry out studies of the Orchard Close and Ketch Lane culverts to identify the options and probable costs involved in their possible replacement. The results of these studies were now expected and he reported that Mr Joel Hockenhull, Mr Martin Jackson's successor at Balfour Beatty, had called an on-site meeting to discuss the Orchard Close culvert on Wednesday, 8 February. He and the Secretary had attended and also present, in addition to Mr Hockenhull and Mr Mark Watkins from BBLP, had been the Chairman of the Parish Council, Cllr James-Moore and the owners of the field, Mr and Mrs Pugh. Various options for the replacement of the culvert and related issues had been discussed, but no decisions had been made.	
ITEM 4 - TREASURER'S REPORT	
5. On behalf of the Treasurer, the Chairman reported that the balance of the Account at the end of January had stood at £3,735.40.	

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6. In February income from the Coffee Morning had been £370.00, while expenditure had been £30.00 for the hire of the Siward James Centre for the event. The balance of the account was therefore now £4,075.40.	
ITEM 5 – FUTURE EVENTS	
7. Annual Coffee Morning. The Chairman thanked Mrs Liz Davies once again for organising the annual Coffee Morning on Saturday, 4 February 2017 and also expressed his thanks to all those who had helped on the day and all those who had supported the event with donations or by their attendance at it. As members had heard in the Treasurer's Report and from the email sent out by the Secretary after the event, it was thanks to all the hard work from Liz Davies and her team that an excellent £370 had been raised.	
8. Annual Barbecue and Garden Party (Sunday, 23 July 2017).	
a. The Chairman once again touched on the Annual Barbecue which this year would have the added attraction of a Garden Party before it. He hoped that by giving so much advance notice of it that as many members as possible would be able to attend. In due course the Secretary would be sending out a note to all members asking for assistance with these events.	All Secretary
b. The Chairman went on to say that he hoped that the Garden Party and Barbecue might be a good occasion on which to invite some of our past outside supporters, as well as those from whom we are hoping to get help this year. The Secretary was composing a list and, if there was anyone whom members thought merited an invitation, they were asked to let her know. As space would be limited, the invitations would have to be much more selective than for the QAVS Presentation.	Secretary All
c. Mr and Mrs Stephens very kindly donated a magnum of champagne for the Garden Party which was gratefully received by the Secretary and will be used for the after presentation drinks.	
ITEM 6 – ANY OTHER BUSINESS	
9. <u>Date of the Next Meeting</u> . The next Meeting would be held at the Siward James Centre at 7.30pm on Tuesday, 28 March 2017.	
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