

ACTION: Chair Williams to check Land Registry for hedge ownership.

- 04/12/06 **Fig Update:** No further improvement suggestions.
- 04/12/07 **Lengthsman:** Ditches along Brookhouse and Ham Green Lanes need to be cleaned. The owners of the land need to be identified. **ACTION: Chair Williams to check Land Registry.**
- 04/12/08 **B4090:** No update.
- 04/12/09 **Bridle Path 451 Surface Improvement:** No update from P White on clearance of undergrowth.
- 04/12/10 **Flooding:** Mr Checkley is the only person to respond to the letters sent 8-12-11. The Clerk forwarded a link to the Strategic Flood Risk Assessment Level 1 Study to cllrs on 10-1-12. RBC are currently in the process of completing a Level 2 study which looks at the flood risk implications of the development of sites in greater detail than the level 1 study. There is no scheduled completion date. Matters resolved.
- The Clerk reported pooling on Astwood Lane; Ref #4723277. WCC will grade levels.
- Cllr Pulsford met with C Wilson (RBC) to discuss flooding at Plack Brook. The following recommendations were put forward; however, RBC doesn't seem to have the funds to carry out the work.
1. Completion of survey exercise and establishes required depth improvements.
 2. Replace Swansbrook Lane highway drain with a suitable pipe or channel - latter preferred, but on riparian land.
 3. Progressively re-form original channel, reinstating any crossing points in an approved fashion as work proceeds.
 4. Re-instate riparian, tributary ditches.
 5. Provide new culvert under Poplars Lane with weir walls to deflect principle flows into the old channel.
- The multiple benefits:
- Reduces water logging/high water-table issues on adjacent land - better land management and less run-off.
- Additional water environment habitat for Flora and Fauna.
- Protects existing drainage arrangements, Astwood Lane from having to cope with spate conditions.
- Significantly improved Flood Risk Management (FRM)
- 04/12/11 **Estate Gates:** Following an application made by Feckenham Parish Council and a detailed assessment by Worcestershire CC Highways, WCC assisted by a donation from Feckenham Traffic Group, have agreed to the erection of white 'Estate Gates' at all entrances to the village, to be positioned near the speed restriction signs. It is hoped the gates will further raise the profile of the village and remind drivers that they are entering into an area where residents care about speed restriction and the upkeep of the village environment.
- 04/12/12 **Annual Return:** The Clerk forwarded all necessary material for R Fletcher to complete the Internal Audit. The Clerk posted the Notice of Elector's Rights on 2-4-12. Parishioners have until 14 May to inspect the accounts.
- 04/12/13 **Proposed Diversion of Footpath FH 719:** The Clerk forwarded comments approving of this proposal. Matter resolved.
- 04/12/14 **Bastick Response:** Letter posted 13-4-12. The Clerk forwarded a copy of the budget as requested by Mr Bastick. Matter resolved.
- 04/12/15 **Mr & Mrs Perry @Priest Bridge:** The Clerk posted a letter on 13-4-12 stating the Council did not object to their proposal. Matter resolved.

CURRENT AGENDA ITEMS

- 04/12/16 **TO CONSIDER APPROVING THE WORCESTERSHIRE AGREEMENT**
The Clerk forwarded the Agreement to cllrs on 20-1-12. Cllr Pulsford believes that Section 4 and 5.3 are of particular concern.
The Council resolved to sign the Agreement. **ACTION: Chair Williams to complete Agreement and forward to WCC.**
- 04/12/17 **TO CONSIDER APPROVING WCC 2012 LENGTHSMAN AGREEMENT & LENGTHSMAN'S CONTRACT**
The Council resolved to approve the WCC Lengthsman Scheme and Lengthsman's contract. **ACTION: Clerk to sign documents and forward to appropriate parties.**
- 04/12/18 **TO CONSIDER JOINING A CONSORTIUM OF NEIGHBOURING PARISH COUNCILS TO TAKE UP GOVERNMENT INITIATIVE TO IMPROVE BROAD BAND IN RURAL AREAS**
Chair Williams briefly outlined the background to this initiative:
 1. Initiative is attempting to persuade Air Core to expand private contractual broadband for domestic use. 5 masts are in area; it is thought 4 more are needed.
 2. Initial bid is a £268,000 charge between 5 parishes in the initiative. These include Hanbury, Tibberton, Stockwood & Bradley Green, Bowbrook and Feckenham. It is likely Tibberton to spearhead the program.
 3. Household charges 1) £100 installation for router to receive wirelessly from dish on roof; 2) £14 per month normal speed; 3) £50 per month for commercial speed.
 4. £200,000 allocation grant in Worcestershire available.
 5. Business Plan submitted.
The Council resolved to join the Consortium of neighbouring parish councils, but has committed no funds.
ACTION: Chair Williams to update Council on progress of initiative.
ACTION: Co Cllr Gretton to investigate additional grant funding.
- 04/12/19 **TO CONSIDER APPROVING DRAFT 2011/12 ACCOUNTS**
The Council resolved to approve Draft 2011/12 Accounts.
ACTION: Clerk to include completing 2011/12 Year End on May Agenda.
- 04/12/20 **TO CONSIDER SPENDING UP TO £75 ON PLANTS FOR PLANTERS**
The Council resolved to spend up to £75 on spring plants for planters.

CLERK'S UPDATE

- 04/12/19 The Clerk in agreement with Chair Williams authorized MJ Butcher to replace the damaged notice board glass at a cost of £75. The work was completed to satisfaction.
- 04/12/21 The Clerk emailed K Hemstock (WCC) on 4-4-12 to support proposed C2079 Wallhouse Lane/Sillins Lane/Callow Hill Lane 40mph speed limit.
- 04/12/22 The Clerk reimbursed Cllr Pulsford £22.99 for expenses incurred to advertise Annual Parish Meeting. The Emergency Decision-Making Scheme was utilized.
- 04/12/23 **Schedule of Correspondence Not Yet Replied To**
Red & Broms – A Stephens: Requested dates for National Planning Policy Framework Training sometime near end of May. Cllr Eaton suggested 22-25 May or 5-8 June
WORCS Core Strategy Consult – Comments due 18 May 2012; ACTION – Cllr White to scrutinize and report back to Council
WCC – Consult on WCC's Approach to Localism: Comments due 15 June
Network Rail Consult concerning Alvechurch Station

04/12/24 **Schedule of Correspondence Received (not otherwise noted)**
J Eaton: 2-4-12 email concerning Broadband improvement
WCC: will now notify PCs of Traffic Regulations Notices via email
J Harrison: 28-3-12 email concerning excessive signage in village and requesting removal of Littleworth Lane sign. Chair Williams responded.
Cllr Pulsford stated the sign could be removed, however, the Council decided to take no further action at this time
NEWSLINE
Standards Comm. Meet 26 March
NatWest brochure

04/12/25 **Schedule of Correspondence Sent (not otherwise noted)**
F Hawker: Co-option application

PLANNING MATTERS

04/12/26 **For Parish Council Consideration**

04/12/27 **RBC Approvals**
2012/033/COU & 034/LBC Ham Green Farmhouse Ham Green: Conversion of a redundant agricultural building to a single dwelling NO OBJECTIONS

04/12/28 **RBC Refusals**

04/12/29 **RBC Pending**
2012/075/FUL Land adj to Hillside Callow Hill Lane Redditch: Erection of a new building NO OBJECTIONS

2012/055/FUL Meadow Cottage Ham Green: Erection of a new entrance canopy, relocation of dormer window with alteration to ground floor fenestration and new first floor roof lights and balcony NO OBJECTIONS

2012/050/FUL Priest Bridge Farm Bradley Green: Outline planning permission for an agriculturally restricted dwelling utilising existing access to replace the permitted existing mobile home NO OBJECTIONS

2012/024/FUL 33 High St: Two storey front extension with single storey rear extension NO OBJECTIONS

2011/317/FUL Rock Hill Farm, Astwood Lane; Erection of 2 car garage NO OBJECTIONS

2012/019/COU Rock Hill Farm; Conversion of redundant stable to a single dwelling and erection of a two car garage NO OBJECTIONS

04/12/30 **Appeals**

COUNCILLOR REPORTS & Future Agenda Items

04/12/31 Traffic Management Strategy

04/12/32 Chair Williams seeking new members to co-opt.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

04/12/33	Schedule of Invoices/Payments	
	Clerk Feb/March Stipend & Expenses	£497.25 LGA'72 101,11,12
	HMCR Clerk tax	£112.75 LGA'72 101,11,12
	A Farnsworth March Lengthsman	£46.75 PHA '36 s259/60
	WCC 7 grit bins	£1134.00 Delegated powers via WCC
	WCALC yearly dues	£335.84 LGA '72 s143

The following invoices were paid using Emergency Decision Making Powers on 7-4-12.

A Farnsworth March Lengths	£129.25 PHA '36 s259/60
Streamline Website Fee	£119.96 LGA '72 s142
A Pulsford Expenses for Parish Meeting	£22.99 LGA 72 s111

04/12/34	Schedule of Receipts	
	Interest Feb & March	£1.29
	WCC Jan Lengths	£184.80
	HMRC VAT Return	£401.49

Date and Venue of Next Meeting

04/12/35 Council Meeting at ~8:00pm 17 May 2012 at Feckenham Village Hall.

The Meeting closed at 8:50pm.

Signed Date

Chairman