

Note from Presteigne & Norton Annual Town Walk, 21st August, 2007.

Present: - Howard Owens, Colin Kirkby, Evelyn Davies, Frank Evans,
John Kendall, Gareth Graham, James Tennant-Eyles.

Apologies: - P Fraser-Scott, G Johnstone.

In attendance from RWT

Jonathon Stone - Reserves Officer

Julian Jones - Conservation Officer

The meeting began with a walk around the Lower Wents Meadow reserves and the Withy beds where the officers from RWT outlined the Trust's management plans for the reserves.

Cllrs. then inspected Upper Wents meadow. The mayor and Eddie Taylor were thanked for their efforts in helping Sheep Music reinstate the field after the damage caused following the appalling weather endured over the Sheep Music weekend. Cllr Wilding kindly offered grass seed to be spread by the Mayor when the weather conditions were right.

Cllrs. then travelled to Norton to look at the wall at the narrow entrance to Norton at the Northern end, the hedge at School Lane (which had just been cut) and the benches.

Agreed to write again and ask for the white lines to be reinstated on either side of the road where it narrows as had been there before the resurfacing works.

The TC then went to the shopper's car park to inspect the problems caused to Archie Dobson by the flooding and to the problems caused by the children throwing stones at Castle Barn's greenhouse and the new barbed wire installation on top of the wall by this property.

The meeting then retired to the Radnorshire arms to consider planning and other issues.

1 Items discussed during Town Walk

1a Presteigne Cemetery. The continuing rabbit problem was discussed and it was agreed that the Clerk write again to Charles Austin of PCC.

1b PAVO Meeting. No one was available to attend but Members asked that they be kept informed.

1c The repairs to the third bench in Norton were agreed at a cost of £60.

1d Sheep Music. The Clerk was asked to write to Sheep Music requesting a full financial report from the Directors. It was hoped this would be received in time for the September Meeting.

2 Planning.

4 applications were considered and there were no objections to any of them.

PR660900 2 Wherby Cottages, Warden Road, Presteigne

PR316601 4 Church View, Broad Street, Presteigne (LBC)

PR660600 42 Townend, Presteigne

PR649201 Old Impton Farm, Presteigne (LBC)

3 Finance.

3a Insurance. Members considered the renewal of the P&NTC Insurance Premium with Zurich. Agreed payment of £1035.65.

3b Electricity Account Wents Meadow. Payment of £217.70 less the credit held of £41.50. Net payment of £176.20 agreed.

3c Clearview Monthly Account. Payment agreed for £356.03.