

# Welshampton and Lyneal Parish Council

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## Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 22 July 2015, at Welshampton Parish Hall, starting at 7pm

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### Formal Meeting

#### Present:

Councillors: Andrew Haydon (Chair), Lawrence Houghton MBE, Sarah Jefferies, Bob Richards, Mark Standen, Chris Symes and Martin Withington.  
Shropshire Councillor: Brian Williams  
Clerk: Carole Warner  
Members of the Public: 4

#### 92/15 Public Participation Period

A resident asked whether Councillors had to swear an oath to take office. The answer was no. The resident asked whether the Clerk had circulated her letter to Councillors. The Clerk advised the letter was under investigation.

A second resident spoke in connection with agenda item 6biii and thanked the Council for continuing to monitor progress. The resident was extremely concerned that although the site had been occupied since March no evidence of a business being carried out was evident. Examples of the length of time taking to discharge the conditions were given and was also of concern.

#### 93/15 Apologies for absence:

Cllrs Caroline Hamilton and Jennifer Wright (accepted)

#### 94/15 Minutes:

The minutes of the Meeting held on 24 June 2015 were approved and signed.

#### 95/15 Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

a. Members were reminded that they are required to leave the room during the discussion and voting on matters in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest, whether or not the Interest is entered in the Register of Members' Interests maintained by the Monitoring Officer.

Cllr Jefferies declared a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in item 9b iv (Planning)

b. To consider any requests for Dispensation: None

c. Code of Conduct – to discuss procedure when declaring bias or predetermination

**Following a request from the Chair it was resolved to defer the item to the next meeting.**

***It was resolved to bring forward Agenda item 6 Planning***

#### 96/15 Planning:

***a. Decisions Received – the following were noted:***

- i. 15/01567/FUL Ash Grove, Welshampton, SY12 0PH  
Proposal: Erection of garden wall to replace existing netted post and rail fence  
Decision: Grant Permission
- ii. 14/04698/FUL and 14/04699/LBC Old Hall Farm , Breaden Heath, SY13 2LF  
Construction of a swimming pool building and associated plant room with a link to the main house with revised internal access layout  
Decision: Grant Permission

**b. Applications Received**

- i. 14/04589/MAW Ellesmere Sand And Gravel, Spunhill, SY12 0HY  
Extension to Wood Lane Quarry  
It was noted that no new information was available. Some activity at the site was reported but this was not in connection with the application.
- ii. 14/05372/FUL Colemere Caravan Park, Colemere  
Use of land for the siting of 2no. camping pods together with existing 10no. camping pitches and 3no. caravan pitches  
It was noted that Shropshire Council was expecting still awaiting responses from statutory consultees.
- iii. 15/01514/DIS Land At Brookmill, Hampton Wood  
Discharge of conditions 5(Surface water and foul water drainage) 6 (wildlife protection), 7 (levels), 8 (landscaping), 9 (manure) and 11 (habitat management plan) relating to the construction of stables, manege and temporary mobile home and change of use of land from agricultural to equestrian use 14/02078/FUL (*to consider any updates*)  
General discussion took place regarding the manner in which the applicant was managing the progress of the application, the slowness of Shropshire Council and lack of confidence in any required enforcement actions.  
**It was resolved to invite Development Management to the next meeting.**
- iv. 15/02233/FUL Crab Mill Farm, Colemere, SY12 0QL  
Erection of a manege to include change of use of land  
**It was resolved there were no objections to the application.**
- v. 15/03017/TCA The Boat House, Oteley, Mereside, Ellesmere, SY12 0PB  
To fell one Poplar tree within Ellesmere Conservation Area  
**It was resolved there were no objections to the application.**

**c. Appeals Received**

- i. 15/02270/REF Development Land East Of Village Hall Welshampton  
Outline application (access for approval) for mixed residential development (open market & affordable)  
**It was resolved that the Clerk would submit an objection to the appeal.**

**97/15 Member of Shropshire Council's Report:**

Cllr Williams answered questions on progress of the SAMDev Plan.

**98/15 Parish Clerk's Report:**

The Clerk advised there was nothing to report this meeting.

**99/15 Financial Matters:**

**a. *Balances for Information***

**Noted and approved.**

**b. *Outstanding accounts***

**The following were approved for payment.**

C Warner	£447.45
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Silver Marbles Ltd	£90.00
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**100/15 Clerk Vacancy**

**a. *Update***

The Clerk advised 4 application packs had been issued.

**b. *Appointment of Locum Clerk***

**It was resolved to appoint Rebecca Turner from 21 August 2015**

**101/15 Appointment of School Governor by Parish Council.**

General discussion took place and it was noted that evidence to support the Council's ability to appoint had not been received.

**It was resolved to defer a decision on the appointment to the next meeting and in preparation request the Chair of the Governing Body to provide an explanation on the current composition of the Governing Body.**

**102/15 Parish Plan 2015**

**a. *Speeding Traffic***

Cllr Withington presented an overview of the problems within the Parish and research he had carried out on possible solutions available. General discussion took place and covered both main A and B roads and country lanes. The use of Community Speed Watch would be looked into.

**It was resolved to invite Shropshire Council's Traffic Engineer and West Mercia Police to a meeting to discuss options and costs.**

**It was resolved to bring forward agenda item 14a and the following sites of concern were agreed:**

**The western approach of A495 to Welshampton due to speeding.**

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**The Spunhill junction onto A528 due to the lack of visibility and speeding along A528.**

**It was noticed that in the Prioritisation of Schemes for Integrated Transport Funding report to be considered by Shropshire Council's Portfolio Holder on 24 July that the B5063 The Balmer Speed Reduction scheme was included. Should this scheme not be approved for the 2016/17 programme it would requested that it would be included in this round of submissions.**

**b. *To agree subject for August meeting***

**It was agreed to defer discussion until Parish Matters.**

**103/15 Councillor Reports:**

Cllr Withington reported he had been unable to attend the recent Shropshire Council Emergency Planning meeting but had been able to progress the Parish Emergency Plan. He requested this item be placed on the September agenda.

**104/15 Parish Matters:**

***a. Wood Lane Landfill Site***

It was noted Tudor Griffiths had indicated a meeting may take place in August.

***The following was advised:***

***b. Fibre Broadband***

Cllr Withington reported on an email he and the Clerk had received that afternoon from Shropshire Council stating one cabinet in the middle of Welshampton had gone live. General discussion took place on the availability and lack of availability of fibre broadband in the Parish. It was noted the Ben Walker from Connecting Shropshire had offered to attend the September meeting to explain coverage and options.

**It was resolved to discuss Broadband as the next topic to be reviewed under the Parish Plan.**

**105/15 Highways**

***a. Speeding Traffic***

This had been covered Parish Plan 2015.

**106/15 Date of future meeting and to consider agenda items:**

Wednesday 26 August 2015

Agenda item August meeting: Individual Councillor responsibilities and Council decisions

Agenda items September meeting: Fibre Broadband presentation and Emergency Plan

The Chair, Cllr Andrew Haydon, declared the meeting closed at 8.40pm.

Signed.....

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