

Welshampton and Lyneal Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 13 March 2019, at Welshampton Parish Hall, starting at 7pm

Formal Meeting

Present:

Councillors: Chris Symes (Chair), Sarah Jefferies, Sheila Stringer and Guy Wellsbury
Shropshire Councillor: Brian Williams
Clerk: Carole Warner.
Members of the Public: None

35/19 Cllr Chris Symes was elected to Chair the meeting.

36/19 Public Participation Period

None

37/19 Apologies for absence:

Cllrs Michael Dinsdale, Andrew Haydon, Lawrence Houghton MBE and Martin Withington (accepted)

38/19 Minutes:

The minutes of the Meeting held on 13 February 2019 were approved and signed.

39/19 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.

b. To consider any requests for Dispensation

None

c. **Members were reminded that they are required to declare any acceptance of gifts and hospitality.**

40/19 Shropshire Council Member's Report

Cllr Williams advised Shropshire Council Highways Dept was undergoing a major re-structure and the Hodnet Depot was closing. Cllr Williams confirmed the proposal to remove the Bring Banks was to be discussed at Cabinet on 20 March. He also confirmed that additional staff had been employed to assist the Local Plan Review work as over 3,500 responses to the recent consultation had been received.

41/19 Planning

a. **Decisions Received:** None received

b. **Applications Received:**

Clerk: Carole Warner,
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- i. 19/00615/FUL and 19/00616/LBC Hampton House Farm, Welshampton, SY12 0NR
Erection of extensions and associated alterations to include demolition of existing conservatory

It was resolved there were no objections to the applications.

42/19 Parish Clerk's Report

a. Newsletter – March 2019 edition

The Clerk advised the newsletter had been published.

b. Welshampton School Clock

It was noted that donations towards the modification of the clock were being requested. The Clerk would advise the school of the time table of Council's grant application scheme.

43/19 Financial Matters:

a. Balances for information

Noted

b. Outstanding accounts

The following accounts were approved:

C Warner	£863.27
HMRC	£559.02
Shropshire Council	£50.00
Highline Electrical Ltd	£792.00
Shropshire Council	£21.50
Wem Rural Parish Council	£107.15
A Russon	£555.00
The Right Sort Mailing Co Ltd	£318.98

c. Bank reconciliation

Cllr Wellsbury reported he had agreed and signed the bank reconciliation.

d. CIL Local Funds

It was resolved to submit an Expression of Interest with regard to the installation of a pedestrian crossing in Welshampton.

e. Neighbourhood Funds

General discussion took place on the amount of Funds due to be received in April. It was agreed a structured approach with agreed priorities would be needed.

f. Risk Management Scheme

It was resolved to adopt the Scheme.

c. Risk Assessment

It was resolved to approve the Risk Assessment.

d. Asset Register

It was resolved to approve the Asset Register

44/19 Parish Action Plan 2018/19

a. AEDs

The Clerk advised she was awaiting quotes and assistance with a Lottery Grant application from the Community Heartbeat Trust

b. Heritage Projects

General discussion took place on the book to mark 'Our Gallant 35' and other projects.

c. Colemere board walk and general maintenance

The Clerk advised that as Shropshire Council had identified the cost of the repair/replacement she had not obtained quotes. Cllr Brian Williams again encouraged the Council to submit a CIL Local Fund application. The Council confirmed again it did not consider the boardwalk to be a suitable project for CIL Local Funds. The Council also had very serious concerns that should it fund/manage such a project the Parish Council would become liable for on-going maintenance, insurance etc. Areas which are

Shropshire Council's responsibility. The Council requested Cllr Williams to refer its comments back to the Cabinet member.

d. Calming measures/gates into Welshampton

The indicative quote obtained by the Clerk was discussed and it was agreed this was a feasible project to fund. The Clerk would progress the project with Shropshire Council Highways Dept and if they agreed to the installation of gates, the Clerk would obtain alternative quotes.

45/19 Councillor Reports

Cllr Wellsbury reported on progress of the Plant Fayre to be held in May.

46/19 Parish Matters

a. Emergency Planning – to identify key locations in Parish and access routes

It was agreed to carry forward this item due to the absence of Cllr Withington.

b. Litter picking

It was noted that litter picking equipment had been purchased and this would be publicised in the newsletter. It was agreed there were stretches of road too dangerous for volunteers to litter pick eg A495 between Welshampton and Newton bends. The Clerk was asked to seek advice from Shropshire Council Highways.

47/19 Highways

a. Speed restriction signage

The Clerk advised that Shropshire Council had confirmed that where there is outlying development to the main village or where approach speeds are particularly high a buffer limit 10mph above that could be introduced for the main village. Various speed limits across the County were introduced under Shropshire Council's old Village Speed Limits Policy, some of which included a 40mph buffer limit prior to the main 30mph speed limit for the village. Prior to this it was possible to put in countdown signs prior to the main village speed limit, which served the same purpose as a 40mph buffer, however, the Dept for Transport do not allow countdown signs to be used for this purpose anymore.

48/19 Date of future meeting and to consider agenda items: 10 April 2019 to start no earlier than 7.15pm

49/19 Resolved: That under Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the item of business numbered 15 as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the inclusion of potential legal/personal nature in the business to be transacted.

50/19 To consider planning enforcement issues

The Clerk updated Councillors on latest developments.

The Chair, Cllr Chris Symes, declared the meeting closed at 8.30pm.

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