

# Welshampton and Lyneal Parish Council

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## Draft Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 9 October 2019, at Welshampton Parish Hall, starting at 7pm

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### Formal Meeting

#### Present:

Councillors: Andrew Haydon (Chair), Michael Dinsdale, Lawrence Houghton MBE, Sarah Jefferies, Chris Symes, Sheila Stringer and Guy Wellsbury.

Clerk: Carole Warner.

Members of the Public: none

#### 148/19 Public Participation Period

None

#### 149/19 Apologies for absence:

Cllr Martin Withington (accepted) and Shropshire Councillor Brian Williams

#### 150/19 Minutes:

The minutes of the Meeting held on 11 September 2019 were approved and signed.

#### 151/19 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.**

#### 152/19 Shropshire Council Member's and Officer's Reports

Alun Morgan and Andy Wilde introduced themselves and their roles of Interim Highways Manager and Highways Operations Manager respectively.

They explained that since Mr Morgan had been in the post, 6 months, they had introduced 3 priorities: embedding of the new staffing structure, implementing a centralised team to manage maintenance (potholes, drainage issues) on a planned basis rather than re-active and the early intervention to manage assets (eg surface dressing).

Mr Morgan apologised that over the last 18 months certain services had been poorly delivered. He had had robust conversations with the main contractors, Kier, and he was confident that this together with the new management structures would produce improvements.

Councillors questioned Mr Morgan and Mr Wilde on local issues and Highways staffing.

The Chair thanked for Mr Morgan and Mr Wilde their open and informative update.

#### 153/19 Planning

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- a. Decisions Received: noted**
- i. 19/02917/FUL Lyneal Hall, Pikesend Lane, Lyneal, SY12 0LG  
Conversion of redundant agricultural building to a single open market dwelling; installation of package treatment plant  
Decision: Grant Permission
- b. Applications Received:**
- i. 19/03993/FUL Butlers Bank Cottage, From A495 Junction Corner Farm to Butlers Bank Junction, Breadon Heath, Whitchurch, SY13 2LG  
Demolition of existing extension and outbuildings and replacement with new extension and garage  
**It was resolved there were no objections to the application.**

#### **154/19 Parish Clerk's Report**

- a. SALC AGM and 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – to agree**  
It was noted Cllr and Mrs Dinsdale and the Clerk would attend the AGM.
- b. Newsletter**  
General discussion took place on the contents for the next edition. It was agreed to include A5 flyers for local events taking place over the next few months.
- c. Meetings 2020**  
**Due to the Hall being booked for rehearsal for the Pantomime it was agreed to change February's date to Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup>.**
- d. Shropshire Council's Housing Needs Survey of Parish**  
The Clerk advised there was no official deadline for the survey, and it could last between 4 and 6 weeks. The Parish Council would be advised of the results approximately 4 weeks after the survey's closure.

#### **155/19 Financial Matters:**

- a. Balances for information**  
Noted
- b. Outstanding accounts**  
**The following account was approved:**  
C Warner £760.74

#### **156/19 Parish Action Plan 2019/20**

- a. Updates**  
Noted
- b. Community Public Access Defibrillators (cPADs)**  
The Clerk advised that installation planned for 24 September has been postponed due to bad weather. She was investigating whether the cPAD for Lyneal could be placed in the phone box rather than by the notice board.
- c. Heritage Projects**  
It was expected the OG35 book would be available by 1 November.
- d. Colemere boardwalk and general maintenance.**  
It was noted that Shropshire Council had advised the contractors were waiting for some equipment prior to starting on the work of the replacement boardwalk. It was acknowledged that the Council had omitted to inform the resident who had attended the Parish Council meeting in August that Shropshire Council was proceeding with the replacement rather than considering an alternative solution. Cllr Houghton MBE agreed to apologise to the resident on behalf of the Council
- e. Calming measures in Welshampton**

The Clerk advised that photographs of key sites in Welshampton were to be taken so that a picture/collage could be placed on the gates. The Clerk also advised she was meeting with Highways to explore possible locations of Vehicle Activated Signs in the village.

**f. Settlement Signage**

It was agreed that the Clerk would research possible sites and costs for signage for Lyneal and Colemere.

**157/19 Councillor Reports**

Cllr Houghton MBE reported on the recent Wood Lane Quarry Liaison Meeting. He advised that the Environment Agency officer responsible for the Quarry was now Samantha Wilson.

**158/19 Parish Matters**

The Clerk was requested to research the regulations with directional signage and advertisements generally for the next meeting.

**159/19 Highways**

This had been covered earlier in the meeting.

**160/19 Consultations**

**a. Shropshire Council consultations:**

**i. Youth Support**

It was agreed that the Clerk would respond based on the needs for the Parish.

**ii. Amendments to Shropshire Council's parking strategy**

It was agreed to note the consultation and not respond.

**b. Ministry of Housing Communities and Local Government: 5G Mobile Coverage in Rural Areas**

It was agreed to respond that Planning Permission should be required for all changes and new installations of masts.

**161/19 Date of future meeting and to consider agenda items: 13 November 2019**

**162/19 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 16 as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the inclusion of potential legal/personal or commercial nature in the business to be transacted.**

**163/19 To consider planning enforcement issues**

Updates were discussed.

The Chair of the meeting, Cllr Haydon, declared the meeting closed at 8.50pm.

Signed.....

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