

Welshampton and Lyneal Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 8 January 2020, at Welshampton Parish Hall, starting at 7pm

Formal Meeting

Present:

Councillors: Michael Dinsdale (Chair), Lawrence Houghton MBE, Chris Symes and Guy Wellsbury.
Clerk: Carole Warner.
Members of the Public: 1

01/20 Public Participation Period

A resident attended and reminded Councillors of their support in reviewing the layout and construction of a new path at Colemere. He had inspected the existing path that day and it was more dangerous than last winter. Cllr Dinsdale explained the Council had supported a fundamental review, but Shropshire Council had eventually found the funds to complete their original plans of replacement. Cllr Symes outlined the subsequent delays eq specialist equipment and now the replacement was on hold pending better weather.

It was agreed Shropshire Council had not managed the project well.

The resident advised he would write to Shropshire Council's Chief Executive with his comments.

02/20 Apologies for absence:

Cllrs Andrew Haydon, Sheila Stringer and Martin Withington (accepted)
Shropshire Councillor Brian Williams

03/20 Minutes:

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

04/20 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.**

05/20 Planning

a. **Decisions Received: none**

b. **Applications Received: none**

06/20 Shropshire Council Member's Report

Cllr Williams was absent

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07/20 Parish Clerk's Report

a. Shropshire Council's Housing Needs Survey of Parish

The clarification from Shropshire Council regarding the affordability ratio and on what data/basis was this calculated was noted

b. Vision for Ellesmere

It was agreed to clarify if Cllr Jefferies was able to attend the January meeting.

c. Community Service Award

It was agreed to launch the 2020 Award with a deadline of 1 March 2020.

d. Newsletter

General discussion took place and content for the February edition was agreed.

e. Website upgrade

The Clerk advised she would update the website to include an accessibility menu.

08/20 Financial Matters:

a. Balances for information

Noted

b. Outstanding accounts

The following account was approved:

C Warner	£718.17
Welshampton Primary School	£824.57
Welshampton Parish Hall	£1,000.00
St Michaels and All Angels PCC	£350.00
DN Rutter	£200.00

c. Precept and Budget 2020/21

The Budget was approved, and the Precept set for £23,500.

d. Audit Programme 2019/20

The Audit Programme was approved

e. Internal Auditor 2019/20

Linda West was appointed as Internal Auditor

09/20 Freedom of Information Publication Scheme

It was resolved to re-approve the prepared Publication Scheme

10/20 Parish Action Plan 2019/20

a. Updates

Noted and amendments agreed.

b. 'Lest we forget' sales

It was noted that further books had been sold. The book would be publicised at local events.

c. Calming measures in Welshampton

The Clerk advised she had submitted a grant application to the Police and Crime Commissioner.

d. Settlement signs

The Clerk advised this was an on-going project which she would progress soon.

11/20 Councillor Reports

Cllr Dinsdale reported on occasions/events where he had represented the Parish Council.

12/20 Parish Matters

Cllr Houghton reported on a damaged Right of Way Fingerpost at Colemere.

13/20 Highways

a. Drainage/maintenance issues in Parish

The Clerk advised she had followed up progress with the repairs to the lane to Lyneal from B5063 but no significant result could be reported. Cllr Symes agreed to contact the officer who originally agreed the repairs.

14/20 Date of future meeting and to consider agenda items: 5 February 2020

To review planning application: 19/05445/REM Residential Development of 99 Dwellings including Associated Access via Canal Way, Landscaping and Flood Mitigation Works (Phase 1 of Application 14/04047/OUT), Proposed Development Land To The South Of Canal Way Ellesmere Shropshire

The Chair of the meeting, Cllr Dinsdale, declared the meeting closed at 7.45pm.

Signed.....

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