

Welshampton and Lyneal Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 9 September 2020, remotely by Zoom, starting at 7pm

Formal Meeting

Present:

Councillors: Andrew Haydon (Chair), Karen Bland, Michael Dinsdale, Lawrence Houghton MBE,
Sarah Jefferies, Sheila Stringer, Chris Symes, Guy Wellsbury and Martin Withington.
Shropshire Councillor Brian Williams
Clerk: Carole Warner.
Members of the Public: None

60/20 Public Participation Period

None

61/20 Apologies for absence:

None

62/20 Minutes:

The minutes of the Meeting held on 12 August 2020 were approved and would be signed outside the meeting.

63/20 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.**

64/20 Shropshire Council Member's Report

Cllr Williams advised Councillors were not allowed into Shirehall and all meetings were being held over Teams. It was proving difficult to communicate with colleagues and officers. Resolving residents' problems was almost impossible. Parish Councillors questioned Cllr Williams on the financial status of Shropshire Council and how democracy was being carried out. Cllr Williams outlined the Cabinet structure and that little information was being passed down to Councillors.

Cllr Jefferies joined the meeting

65/20 Development in the Parish

a. Planning Decisions Received: noted

- i. 20/01361/FUL Development Land To The North Of, Welshampton, Shropshire
Application under Section 73A of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 for the change of

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use from pony paddock to single pitch gypsy/traveller site including 1No static caravan, 1No touring caravan, amenity block, works to provide gravel drive, installation of septic tank and associated works

Decision: Refuse

b. Applications Received:

- i. 20/03271/FUL and 20/03272/LBC Little Mill Cottage, Colemere, SY12 0QR
Minor internal works affecting a grade II listed building

It was resolved to support the application subject to the Conservation Officer's recommendations.

c. Appeal Notification: noted

- i. 20/02853/REF Barn South of Hilltop Farm, Hampton Wood, Ellesmere
Certificate of Lawful development for the conversion of agricultural building to a dwelling, creation of access track, hardstanding and garden area
- ii. 20/02861/REF 1 Rowe Lane Cottages, Rowe Lane, Welshampton
Erection of building as self-contained ancillary living accommodation following removal of existing outbuild

d. Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government consultation:

- i. Changes to the current planning system (deadline: 1 October, NALC: 17 September)
- ii. Planning for the future (deadline: 29 October, NALC: 15 October)
- iii. Transparency and competition: a call for evidence on data and land control (deadline: 30 October, NALC: 16 October)

General discussion took place and it was agreed that a response would be formulated for approval at the next meeting.

e. Shropshire Council consultation

- i. Draft Shropshire Local Plan 2016-2038 (deadline: 30 September)
- ii. Draft Shropshire Council Housing Strategy 2020-2025 (deadline: 16 September)

General discussion took place. It was agreed that the draft local plan was a comprehensive document and the Council recognised the work involved by Shropshire Council officers in producing it.

66/20 Parish Clerk's Report

a. Newsletter

The Clerk advised she would work on the Autumn edition

b. Future meetings

Discussion took place and it was agreed to continue with remote meetings.

67/20 Financial Matters:

a. Balances for information

Noted

b. Outstanding accounts

The following accounts were approved:

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| C Warner | £706.68 |
| HMRC | £266.52 |
| SLCC | £117.50 |
| Mark Adams | £60.00 |

c. Bank reconciliation

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

d. Community Grants

It was agreed to invite applications in the next newsletter with a deadline of 30 November 2020. Discussions with community groups to assist with external funding applications would be progressed.

- e. Community Infrastructure Levy/Neighbourhood Funds Annual Return – to agree**
The Monitoring report was approved.

68/20 Councillor Reports

None

69/20 Parish Matters

a. Colemere boardwalk

Following discussion, it was agreed that the Council should bring Shropshire Council's attention to the unfinished boardwalk and question whether there was a commitment to accessibility around Colemere, in particular wheelchair users and those with limited mobility.

b. Nuisance eg burning of plastic

It was agreed that where it was clear burning of plastics was taking place, the Parish Council should write to the landowner/person concerned and remind them of their legal responsibilities.

c. Remembrance services

It was agreed that if services take place the Council should be represented.

d. Gigabit Broadband Voucher Scheme: Shropshire Council Top-Up Scheme

The Clerk advised the launch of the scheme had been delayed but the Council should consider promoting it.

70/20 Highways

Cllr Symes reported on a recent incident when excessive amounts of mud had been left on lanes. It was agreed to remind farmers and contractors of their responsibilities in the next newsletter.

71/20 Date of future meeting and agenda items

Date: 14 October

Agenda items: Budget 2021/22, Action Plan 2020/2021

72/20 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 14, 15, 16, and 17 as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the inclusion of personal and commercial nature in the business to be transacted.

73/20 Community Recognition:

a. Community Service Award

It was agreed to present the 2020 award and to announce the recipient in the next newsletter.

Following a request, the Council did not consider it appropriate to agree to a duplicate award.

b. Letter from Mrs Anna Turner, Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of Shropshire dated 12 August 2020

It was agreed to nominate three residents for letters from the Lord-Lieutenant.

74/20 Enforcement issues in the parish

The Clerk updated Councillors on her discussions with Shropshire Council.

75/20 Replacement Bus Shelter

No progress had been made

76/20 Grounds Maintenance contract 2021-2023
The scope of tenders was agreed and to publicise the process in the newsletter.

The Chair, Cllr Haydon, declared the meeting closed at 9.10pm.

Signed..... Date.....