Welshampton and Lyneal Parish Council

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 19 May 2021, at Welshampton Parish Hall, starting at 7pm

Formal Meeting

Present:

Councillors: Michael Dinsdale (Chair), Karen Bland, Andrew Haydon, Lawrence Houghton MBE,

Sheila Stinger, Chris Symes, Guy Wellsbury and Martin Withington

Clerk: Carole Warner. Members of the Public: None

Cllr Haydon chaired this item of the agenda.

52/21 To elect the Chair of the Council.

Cllr Dinsdale was unanimously elected as Chair.

Cllr Symes thanked Cllr Haydon for holding the position for the last 6 years.

Cllr Dinsdale chaired the remainder of the meeting.

53/21 Declaration of Acceptance of Office

Cllr Dinsdale signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office. The Clerk confirmed that all Councillors had signed their Declaration of Acceptance of Office

54/21 To elect the Vice Chair of the Council.

Cllr Houghton MBE was unanimously elected as Vice Chair.

55/21 Public Participation Period:

None

56/21 Apologies for absence:

Shropshire Councillor Brian Williams

57/21 Minutes

The minutes of the Meeting held on 14 April 2021 were approved and signed.

58/21 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.

59/21 Personnel Committee:

a. Review Terms of Reference

The Terms of Reference were reviewed and adopted.

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b. Receive nominations to the Committee

Cllrs Dinsdale, Bland, Houghton and Stringer were appointed to the Committee.

c. Appoint Chair of Committee

Cllr Dinsdale was appointed Chair of the Committee.

60/21 Communication Task and Finish Group:

It was agreed all Councillors could be called upon for the Group.

61/21 Policy Review

It was resolved to re-adopt the following policies and procedures:

- a. Standing Orders
- b. Financial Regulations
- c. Procedures for Dispensation in relation to Disclosable Pecuniary Interests
- d. Health and Safety Policy
- e. Scheme of Delegation
- f. Information and Data Protection
- g. Privacy Notices

62/21 To appoint officers and representatives to the following outside bodies:

a. Shropshire Association of Local Councils

It was resolved to appoint Cllr Bland.

b. Emergency Planning Officer

It was resolved to appoint Cllr Withington.

c. Helicopter Noise Liaison Group

It was resolved to appoint Cllr Haydon.

d. Welshampton Parish Hall Committee

It was resolved to appoint Cllr Dinsdale and Mr Bob Richards.

e. Wood Lane Quarry Liaison Group

It was resolved to appoint Cllr Withington.

63/21 Resolved:

The Parish Council meets the criteria to exercise the General Power of Competence.

64/21 Consider and agree issuing summons and agenda for meetings electronically.

It was resolved to continue to issue summons and agenda for meetings electronically.

65/21 Consider and agree procedures in relation to the co-option of Parish Councillors.

It was resolved that an initial deadline of 31 August would be set for the consideration at the September meeting.

66/21 Development in the Parish

- a. Decisions Received: to note
 - i. 21/00105/FUL Little Mill Cottage, Colemere, SY12 0QR

Installation of open air swimming pool

Decision: Grant Permission

ii. 21/00350/FUL Proposed Holiday Let Unit SW Of Lyneal Moss Farm, Lyneal Lane, Lyneal Erection of one unit of holiday let accommodation; formation of parking area and amenity space

Decision: Grant Permission

b. Applications Received: to consider response.

None

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67/21 Parish Clerk's Report:

a. Complaints - annual report

The Clerk confirmed there had been no complaints.

b. H&S – annual report

The Clerk confirmed there had been issues raised.

68/21 Financial Matters:

a. Balances for information

Noted

b. Outstanding accounts

The following payments were approved:	
C Warner	£764.02
Wem Rural Parish Council	£437.73
SALC	£392.83
Highline Electrical Ltd	£136.20
Alan Russon	£550.00
Keith Mayer	£361.06
Browns of Wem	£1,680.00

c. Bank Mandates

It was resolved to keep the bank mandate as existing.

d. Reserves Policy

It was resolved to re-adopt the policy.

e. Renewal of Insurance Policy

It was resolved to renew the policy under a 3-year agreement with a premium of £955.12.

69/21 Date of future meeting and to consider agenda items:

Wednesday 9 June 2021. The Clerk confirmed that standing items would return to the agenda. Feedback on the election process and paperwork would be considered.

70/21 Chair's Statement

The Chair thanked Cllr Haydon for the commitment to the Council over the last 6 years as Chair. He thanked Mrs Sarah Jefferies, who had not stood again as councillor for her service to the community.

The Chair, Cllr Dinsdale, declared the meeting closed at 7.50pm	
Signed	Date

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