

# Welshampton and Lyneal Parish Council

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## Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 8 December 2021, at Welshampton Parish Hall, starting at 7pm

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### Formal Meeting

#### Present:

Councillors: Cllr Michael Dinsdale (Chair), Karen Bland, Andrew Haydon, Kathryn Holland, Sheila Stringer, Chris Symes, Guy Wellsbury and Martin Withington  
Clerk: Carole Warner.  
Members of the Public: None

#### 173/21 Public Participation Period

None

#### 174/21 Apologies for absence:

Lawrence Houghton MBE (accepted) and Shropshire Councillor Brian Williams

#### 175/21 Minutes:

The minutes of the Meeting held on 10 November 2021 were approved and signed.

#### 176/21 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. Cllr Mike Dinsdale advised he would leave the meeting for agenda item 8f (Finance) due to the perception of bias and predetermination. Cllr Guy Wellsbury advised he would leave the meeting for agenda item 8f (Finance) due to the perception of bias and predetermination.
- b. ***To consider any requests for Dispensation***  
None
- c. ***Members were reminded that they are required to declare any acceptance of gifts and hospitality.***

#### 177/21 Shropshire Council Member's Report

Cllr Williams was not present.

Cllr Withington arrived during the following item.

#### 178/21 Development in the Parish

- a. ***Decisions Received***
  - i. 21/04554/FUL Burberries, Colemere, SY12 0QW  
Erection of single storey rear extension  
Decision: Grant Permission

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- ii. 21/04377/FUL 2 Mill Lane, Lyneal, SY12 0LE  
Erection of an oak framed gazebo  
Decision: Grant Permission

**b. Applications Received:**

None

**179/21 Parish Clerk's Report**

**a. Meetings 2022**

The Clerk advised she was unable to attend the scheduled January and March 2022 meetings. It was agreed to hold the meetings on the second Thursday of those months – 13 January and 10 March.

**180/21 Financial Matters:**

**a. Balances for information**

Noted

**b. Outstanding accounts**

**The following accounts were approved:**

C Warner	£716.93
HMRC	£295.00
The Right Sort Mailing Co Ltd	£337.71
H Signs	£150.00

**c. Bank reconciliation**

Cllr Haydon reported he had agreed and signed the bank reconciliation

**d. Budget 2022/2023**

**The Budget prepared on the advised taxbase was agreed by Councillors including the level of percept which would result in no increase of the Council Tax paid by residents.**

**e. Colemere Notice Board**

**The preferred supplier was agreed subject to seeing his quality of work.**

**f. Community Grants**

*Cllrs Dinsdale and Wellsbury left the meeting*

*Cllr Haydon chaired the following item*

**The following grants were approved:**

**Management Committee Welshampton Parish Hall - £1,000**

**St Michael and All Angels Church, Welshampton - £350**

*Cllrs Dinsdale and Wellsbury re-joined the meeting*

**181/21 Action Plan 2021/2022**

**a. Save our Shropshire/Carbon Literacy**

The Chair reported he had attended a SALC Chairs' Network meeting where Cllr Allan Wilson had explained about the work of Save our Shropshire. He considered the Council would benefit from hearing first-hand Cllr Wilson's presentation. It was agreed that the Clerk would arrange a meeting with Cllr Wilson.

Discussion took place on how to progress the Council's activity in this area and it was agreed a working party should be set up. It was noted that all future Council projects should consider climate change and impact on biodiversity.

**b. Updates – to note/progress**

The Chair suggested that a working party be set up to coordinate the celebrations for HM Queen's Platinum Jubilee. The Chair and Cllr Stringer agreed to be members. It was agreed a meeting should take place early January with community groups. Cllr Wellsbury reminded the Council of the Green Canopy project.

Progress on projects was noted and an updated Action Plan would be placed on the website.

### **182/21 Councillor Reports**

Cllr Holland reported on the Fundamentals for Councillors training she had attended on 18 November. Cllr Symes reported on the SALC AGM which he and Cllrs Bland and Holland had attended. The Chair reported he had attended the Shropshire Council's North Planning Committee on behalf of the Council. The Chair also reported in more detail on the SALC Chairs' Network meeting.

### **183/21 Parish Matters**

#### ***a. Rights of Way***

The Clerk advised a resident had reported blocked Rights of Way in the parish and she in turn had reported them to Shropshire Council.

#### ***b. Storm Arwen***

The Chair outlined the severe impact the storm had caused to areas of the parish with power outages and lack of mobile phone signal. The Chair thanked the number of volunteers who had checked on residents and also provided hot soup at the Parish Hall.

The need to review the Parish Emergency Plan to make it a 'live' document was agreed. Cllr Withington agreed to chair a working party to review the Plan.

The need for public phones was noted but the Clerk considered it may be too late to change the recommendation to remove the phone in Welshampton.

### **184/21 Highways.**

Cllr Wellsbury advised scheduled repairs confirmed by Shropshire Council.

### **185/21 Date of future meeting and agenda items: Thursday 13 January 2022**

The Chair, Cllr Dinsdale, declared the meeting closed at 8.35pm.

Signed.....

Date.....