Welshampton and Lyneal Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 8 June 2022, at Welshampton Parish Hall, starting at 7pm

Formal Meeting

Present:

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

MBE, Sheila Stringer, and Chris Symes,

Shropshire Councillor Brian Williams

Clerk: Carole Warner. Members of the Public: 0

86/22 Public Participation Period

None

87/22 Apologies for absence:

Councillors Kathryn Holland, Guy Wellsbury and Martin Withington (accepted)

88/22 Minutes:

The minutes of the Annual Meeting held on 11 May 2022 were approved and signed.

89/22 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.

Shropshire Council Member's Report

Cllr Williams was not present at this time of the meeting.

90/22 Development in the Parish

a. Decisions Received – to note

i. 21/05631/FUL The Claypits, Stocks Lane, Welshampton, SY12 ONP Internal alterations to existing house including construction of a first floor extension above existing utility, plus construction of single storey extension to accommodate ground source heating equipment plus a porch and the conversion of an existing outbuilding. Works to include the construction of a detached garage and altering the route of the driveway. Structure to house ground source heating equipment (revised scheme)

Decision: Grant Permission

Clerk: Carole Warner, Orchard Cottage, Rowe Lane, Welshampton, Ellesmere, SY12 oQB Tel.01948 710672

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ii. 22/01368/VAR Development Land South Of B5063, Welshampton, SY12 0FU
 Variation of Condition No.s 1 (approved plans), 4 (Bus Stop), 2 and 5 (Landscaping) attached to planning permission 17/03500/REM dated 6 November 2019

Decision: Grant Permission

b. Applications Received: none

91/22 Parish Clerk's Report

a. Meeting with Shropshire Council Lead and Cabinet Member for Communities, Culture, Leisure & Tourism, and Transport

The Clerk and Chair reported on the meeting which had been positive, and that information had been shared with members which would be used to improve communication.

b. CIL Local Project

The Clerk advised no progress had been made on obtaining the current position.

c. Newsletter

The Clerk advised the next newsletter would be issued early July.

d. SC/SALC Joint Working Group meeting 24 May 2022

The Clerk updated Councillors on the re-wilding project of verges.

e. NSAC Meeting 11 April 2022

The minutes were noted.

Shropshire Councillor Brian Williams had joined the meeting

92/22 Shropshire Council Member's Report

Cllr Williams advised that following the removal of asbestos in Shirehall, staff would return to the building and the plan to use the Darwin Centre would be abandoned. Staff would continue to work from home with no desks being permanently allocated to staff in Shirehall. Parish Councillors asked whether there was a working from home policy and the plans for the Darwin Centre development. Cllr Williams did not have that information to hand. Cllr Williams advised that a lengthsman scheme for parish councils was being developed.

93/22 Financial Matters:

a. Balances for information

Noted

b. Outstanding accounts

The following accounts were approved:

C Warner £637.70 HMRC £379.80 AJ Gallagher Ins Brokers Ltd £1,000.37 Right Sort Limited £577.63

c. Bank reconciliation

Cllr Chris Symes reported he had agreed the bank reconciliation.

d. 2021/22 Year End Accounts

The Accounts were approved.

e. Internal Audit Report

The Internal Audit report was received and noted.

f. Statement of Internal Control

The prepared Statement was approved.

q. Effectiveness of Internal Control

The review was completed and approved.

h. Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2021/22 Part 3

i. to consider the Annual Governance Statement (Section 1), complete and sign

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The responses to the Annual Governance Statement were considered, agreed, completed, and signed.

ii. to consider Accounting Statements 2021/22 (Section 2) and sign The Accounting Statements 2021/22 were approved and signed.

94/22 Climate Change, Sustainability and Biodiversity

Cllr Bland advised pages had been set up on the Council's website and will be updated when new information is available. Publication of the September event will be one of the key articles in the newsletter.

95/22 The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

a. Report

Cllr Stringer reported that the events over the Jubilee weekend had been a success despite the poor weather on the Sunday. The Frog Race Derby had been great fun, there had been participants for the Platinum Pudding and Big Lunch had attracted 60 -70 people. The Lunch had to be moved to the Parish Hall due to the weather. Councillors shared their experiences of the weekend.

Cllr Stringer confirmed the Jubilee mugs had been given out at the Primary School and Pre-School.

b. Jubilee Tree

Cllr Symes advised the tree had been planted and a local resident had made a stake for the commemorative plaque.

96/22 Action Plan 2022/2023

a. Updates

The Clerk advised that key updates included attempting to set a date for the Wood Lane Liaison Group Meeting, relaying of Colemere Boardwalk, and repairs to Welshampton Parish Hall car park.

97/22 Councillor Reports

None

98/22 Shropshire Council Consultations

a. Draft Housing Allocations Policy

Councillors questioned how the allocations policy could be assessed correctly when there was no indication of demand and capacity. They also questioned the threshold levels of income and assets.

b. Library Strategy 2022- 2027

Councillors questioned the lack of information on mobile libraries, a key service in rural areas. The service is not just books but personal contact with residents.

99/22 Parish Matters

a. Management of Colemere Countryside Heritage Site.

It was agreed the first stage would be to obtain a copy of the current management plan. It was noted the re-laying of the boardwalk would take place this financial year.

100/22 Highways.

The Chair highlighted a road closure at Breadon Heath which had not been advised.

101/22 Date of future meeting and agenda items: 13 July 2022

102/22 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 17 as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the inclusion of personal nature in the business to be transacted.

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103/22 Enforcement Cases

The Clerk updated Councillors on the current enforcement cases.

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

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

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