

# Wem Rural Parish Council

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## Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 2 April 2019, in the Roden Suite, Edinburgh House, Wem starting at 7.40pm

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### Formal Meeting

#### Present:

Councillors: Liz Vernon (Chair), Geoff Glover, Peter Marsh, Len Staines, Stella Whyte, Ruth Williams and Tim Wilton-Morgan.

Shropshire Councillor: Shropshire Councillor Pauline Dee

Clerk: Carole Warner

Members of the Public: 5

#### 42/19 Public Participation Period:

A member of the public apologised for speaking out during the meeting held in March. She advised she had attended expecting the Council to support the proposal for Tilley Conservation Area. The resident was disappointed that discussion was taken up with the informal consultation carried out by the Tilley Timber Project which would not be considered by Shropshire Council in its decision. She stated that there was overwhelming support for the proposal and residents did understand the implications of such a designation. The resident advised Shropshire Council had been sent all information with permission to release the same to the Parish Council.

Residents from Northwood stated they were attending in support of the Northwood Community Enhancement Plan.

#### 43/19 Apologies for absence:

Cllrs Peter Broomhall, Jon Murgatroyd and Peter Slack (accepted)

Shropshire Councillor Chris Mellings

#### 44/19 Minutes

The minutes of the Meeting held on 5 March 2019 were approved and signed.

#### 45/19 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.***

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#### 46/19 Northwood Community Enhancement Plan

Councillors thanked the residents for the interest shown in enhancing their village. General discussion took place on the Plan and the Clerk outlined ways she could assist the residents in achieving their plans.

**It was agreed to help the residents and consider the Plan again at the next meeting.**

#### 47/19 Planning

##### **a. Proposed Tilley Conservation Area**

General discussion took place regarding the decision taken at the previous meeting not to support the proposal to designate Tilley as a Conservation Area. It was noted that additional information could be available. The Clerk advised the process needed to reverse a decision of the Council.

**It was agreed the Clerk would seek clarification from Shropshire Council that it had forwarded all information relating to the proposal to the Parish Council.**

##### **b. Decisions Received - noted**

- i. 19/00571/FUL Proposed Garage At, Tilley Green  
Erection of a detached domestic garage/store (resubmission)  
Decision: Refuse

##### **c. Applications Received**

- i. 19/00882/FUL Brookdale, Station Road, Prees, Shropshire, SY13 2DW  
Conversion and extension of existing building and lean-to to form offices (B1) (re-submission)  
**It was resolved to support the application subject to satisfactory ecology reports.**
- ii. 19/00982/FUL Fields Farm 12 Quina Brook Wem SY4 5RJ  
Provision of a concrete base, measuring a maximum of 13 x 6.5m to accommodate a demountable building comprising 5 kennels (design to be approved at a later date)  
**It was not clear to the Council whether the proposed kennels were to be for private use by the applicants or for business use. It was agreed to seek clarification from Shropshire Council.**

#### 48/19 Parish Clerk's Report:

##### **a. Newsletter – March 2019 edition**

The Clerk advised the newsletter had been published.

##### **b. Councillor Vacancy**

The Clerk advised electors had not called for an election and the Parish Council had been given permission to fill the vacancy by co-option.

**It was agreed to advertise the vacancy with the deadline for of 30 April 2019 applications.**

#### 49/19 Financial Matters:

##### **a. Outstanding accounts**

**The following payments were approved:**

C Warner	£685.90
The Right Sort Mailing Co	£857.04
Shropshire Council	£708.00
S Burrows Building Services	£52.00

##### **b. Noticeboards in the Parish**

The Clerk advised the noticeboard in Barkers Green had been replaced and an order for the Tilley noticeboard had been placed.

**50/19 Parish Council's Action Plan**

**a. Community Plan refresh**

The Clerk advised the deadline for submission of the re-fresh questionnaires had been extended to the end of April to allow for late responses.

**51/19 Councillor Reports:**

**a. Parish Councillors**

None.

**b. Shropshire Councillors:**

CLlr Mellings had submitted a written report.

CLlr Dee reported on a training session held for Shropshire Councillors by the Economic Growth Team.

**52/19 Parish Matters**

**a. Litter pick 23 March 2019**

The Chair reported on the successful litter pick around Edstaston. 10 volunteers had attended and 2 support vehicles were present. The Chair noted that Northwood residents regularly carried out litter picks

**b. Crewe & Shrewsbury Passenger Assoc Meeting 31 January 2019 Minutes**

The minutes were noted. It was reported that the Ticket Machine had been removed from Wem Station.

**53/19 Highways**

The locations of large and dangerous potholes were reported by Councillors.

**54/19 Date of future meeting and to consider agenda items:**

7 May 2019 – the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council

**55/19 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 15 as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the inclusion of personal nature in the business to be transacted.

*The Clerk left the meeting*

**56/19 To consider employment matters**

**The Clerk's annual performance review was discussed, and decisions made**

*The Clerk re-joined the meeting*

The Chair, CLlr Vernon, declared the meeting closed at 8.40pm

Signed.....

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