

Wem Rural Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 2 July 2019, in the Roden Suite, Edinburgh House, Wem starting at 7pm

Formal Meeting

Present:

Councillors: Liz Vernon (Chair), Peter Broomhall, Huw Edwards, Peter Marsh, Jon Murgatroyd, Peter Slack, Len Staines and Tim Wilton-Morgan.

Clerk: Carole Warner

Members of the Public: None

95/19 Public Participation Period:

None

96/19 Shropshire Wildlife – update on Wem Moss management:

The Clerk advised Shropshire Wildlife would be attending the August meeting.

97/19 Apologies for absence:

Cllrs Julia Goode, Stella Whyte and Ruth Williams (accepted)
Shropshire Councillor Pauline Dee and Chris Mellings

98/19 Minutes

The minutes of the Annual Meeting held on 4 June 2019 were approved and signed.

99/19 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.***

100/19 Planning

- a. *Decisions Received - noted***
 - i. 19/02032/FUL Creamore House Farm, Whitchurch Road, Wem, SY4 5RN
Erection of a covered silage pit and cattle feeding area
Decision: Grant Permission
 - ii. The Gables, 16A Aston Village, Aston, SY4 5JH
Variation of condition no.2 (approved plans) pursuant of 19/00851/FUL to allow for the addition of dormer window to rear roofline of approved extension to create bathroom

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Decision: Grant Permission

b. Applications Received

- i. 19/02652/FUL New House Farm, Coton, SY13 2RD
Erection of single storey side extension

It was resolved to support the application.

**c. Non-designated heritage properties – to consider Shropshire Council Conservation
Officer's comments**

General discussion took place on recent applications where properties were being classed as non-designated heritage assets. Councillors considered this to be very subjective and discretion should be exercised to allow properties to be changed to cater for modern day living. As elected members, Councillors considered their views should be taken into account. Councillors were seeking a definition of non-designated heritage assets and consistency with planning officers' approach.

It was resolved the Clerk should contact Ian Kilby, Planning Services Manager Shropshire Council, for guidance and comment.

101/19 Parish Clerk's Report:

a. Newsletter – Summer 2019 edition

The Clerk advised the newsletter had been issued.

b. Tilley Raven

It was reported that there were possible interested parties.

102/19 Financial Matters:

a. Balances for information

Noted

b. Outstanding accounts

The following payments were approved:

C Warner	£754.35
Viking	£45.23
The Right Sort Mailing Co Ltd	£719.47
Welcome to Wem	£170.00
Wem Town Council	£84.00
Smartwater Technology Ltd	£5170.44
MDL Carpentry	£695.00

c. Parish Council's Community Account

It was resolved to use the Community Account for Northwood Residents Group to bank their fundraising towards planters for the village.

d. CIL Local Application

The decision by Shropshire Council not to approve the application for funding towards the Newtown Car Park was discussed in detail. The reason for the refusal did not appear inline with the reasons for the increase of space.

It was resolved to seek an appeal against the decision.

e. Grant request

Although the improvement project will be of great benefit to Wem Tennis Club, the low number of Wem Rural Parish residents who were members did not allow the Council to consider a grant application.

103/19 Parish Council's Action Plan

a. Community Plan refresh

The Clerk advised she was awaiting the finalised report from Shropshire RCC. She would progress the re-refresh Action Plan.

b. We Don't Buy Crime/Smartwater

The Working Group reported that the launch would take place on Saturday 21 September. The Police and Smartwater representatives would be attending. Maximum publicity would be sought.

c. Northwood Village Enhancements

The Clerk advised that she had met with Shropshire Council to confirm the locations of the white gates. Installation details were awaited prior to confirming purchase of the gates. The Clerk would meet with the Residents Group to discuss location of the planters.

d. Community Speed Watch

The Clerk advised she would meet with Northwood residents to sign up volunteers.

e. AED

The Working Group reported that a National Lottery application would be submitted for 3 cPADs (Northwood, Newtown and Edstaston). There could be an additional cPAD in Tilley but that would be a separate application.

104/19 Councillor Reports:

a. Parish Councillors

The Chair reported she and the Clerk had attended the launch of the Wem Area Emergency Plan at Edinburgh House on 6 June.

b. Shropshire Councillors:

Cllr Mellings had submitted a written report.

105/19 Parish Matters

a. Police and Crime Commissioner Town and Parish Annual Survey

It was agreed to submit the response prepared by the Working Group

106/19 Highways

Councillors had nothing to report

92/19 Date of future meeting and to consider agenda items:

6 August 2019

The Chair, Cllr Vernon, declared the meeting closed at 7.41pm

Signed.....

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