

Wem Rural Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 5 October 2021, at Edstaston Village Hall starting at 7pm

Formal Meeting

Present:

Councillors: Ruth Williams (Chair) Peter Broomhall, Huw Edwards, Julia Goode,
Peter Slack, Len Staines, and Liz Vernon
Shropshire Councillor: Edward Towers
Clerk: Carole Warner
Members of the Public: None

120/21 Public Participation Period:

None

121/21 Apologies for absence:

Stella Whyte (accepted)

122/21 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 7 September 2021 were approved and signed.

123/21 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.***

124/21 Development in the Parish

- a. *Planning Decisions received***
 - i. 21/03686/FUL Clifton House, Coppice Lane, Coton, Whitchurch, SY13 3LT
Erection of a two storey extension to rear following demolition of existing single storey extension
Decision: Grant Permission
 - ii. 21/03747/FUL Ashleigh, Horton, Wem, SY4 5ND
Erection of garage/store with store and games room above (resubmission)
Decision: Refuse

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- iii. 21/00618/FUL Oak Farm, 2 Coton, Whitchurch, SY13 3LQ
Proposed siting one disabled holiday cabin including change of use of land and formation of new vehicular access and parking area
Decision: Refuse

b. Planning Applications Received - to consider response.

- i. 21/03737/FUL Evenwood, 10 Lacon Holdings, Saulton Road, Saulton, Wem, SY4 5RR
Erection of a detached garage with home office and formation of a domestic vehicular access
It was resolved to support the application.
- ii. 21/03914/FUL Wheelwright Cottage, Northwood, SY4 5NH
Formation of new access/entrance and closure of the existing access
It was resolved to support the application.
- iii. 21/04428/FUL Foxholes Farm, Foxholes, Wem, SY4 5UJ
Application under Section 73a of the Town and Country Planning Act for the part retrospective application for the creation of a new access entrance and agricultural access track and involves the change of use of land for the domestic use of that access and track (where the authorised use of that land is currently agricultural land)
It was noted that a previous application, 21/01389/FUL, had been submitted on 7 April 2021 and subsequently withdrawn on 28 May 2021. The Parish Council supports the planning system and supported the previous application even though it had been partly retrospective. The Parish Council was extremely disappointed to note that after withdrawal of the application, work continued on site and now appeared to be nearly complete. This current application was validated on 13 September 2021. To continue work was a flagrant disregard of the planning system. It was strongly recommended that a planting scheme for the stopping up of the redundant existing access is made conditional.

c. Planning Appeals - to note

- i. 21/02943/REF Land South The Little Wickett, Rye Bank, Wem
Erection of a local needs dwelling including garage and access
(20/03017/FUL)

The hearing date was noted.

d. Shropshire Local Plan – to note submission to Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government for examination.

Noted

125/21 Parish Clerk's Report:

a. Councillor vacancies

Work continued on developing a marketing strategy.

b. Newsletter.

A range of articles were discussed.

126/21 Financial Matters:

a. Balances for information

Noted

b. Outstanding accounts

The following payments were approved:

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| C Warner | £991.15 |
| SLCC | £27.50 |
| DXS Management Ltd | £612.00 |

c. Bank Mandate

The Clerk confirmed that Cllr Broomhall was now on the bank mandate.

d. Budget 2022/23

General discussion took place, and it was agreed to seek service or event ideas from the community through the newsletter

127/21 Action Plan 2021/2022

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

128/21 Councillor Reports:

a. Parish Councillors

Cllr Staines reported that a resident had asked about the deteriorating state of a property in Aston. He had passed on the concerns to the Clerk who had contacted Shropshire Council. The matter was being considered by Shropshire Council's Historic Environment Team.

Cllr Goode reported that a meeting of NCRA was to take place soon. Voting by Tesco's Whitchurch shoppers for the latest round of grants had closed. The results would be known soon. After lack of progress over the summer, it was hoped the car park improvements would now be progressed. The fundraising 100 Club was to be re-launched.

b. Shropshire Councillors:

Cllrs Broomhall and Towers had circulated a written report. They were pleased to report that North Salop Wheelers had a new committee, and the future of the organisation was more positive.

129/21 Parish Matters

**a. Queen's Platinum Jubilee June 2022 - Open meeting 21 September 2021 7pm
Edinburgh House**

The notes of the meeting had been circulated prior to the meeting. The next meeting was planned for 19 October.

130/21 Highways

No issues were reported.

131/21 Date of future meeting and to consider agenda items:

Tuesday 2 November 2021

The Chair, Cllr Williams, declared the meeting closed at 8.15pm

Signed.....

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