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**Agenda of the meeting of Little Wenlock Parish Council to be held on**

**Monday 5th FEBRUARY 2024 in the Village Hall Malthouse Bank Little Wenlock at 7.00pm.**

**NOTE THE DATE CHANGE**

1. **Public Session.**
2. **Record members present.**
3. **Receive apologies and reasons for absence.**
4. **Dispensations and declaration of personal or prejudicial interests.**
5. **Minutes of the meeting held on 8TH January 2024.**
6. **Borough of Telford and Wrekin Liaison with Borough Councillor.**
7. **Finance.**

**a. Consider payment of invoices.**

1. SSE street lighting. £ DD

2. Mrs J E Madeley £694.51 fpo

3. Shropshire Council Pension £223.07 fpo

4. Scribe £12.00 dd.

5. Telford and Wrekin Council £140.00 Election Costs.

6. E.on £237.88 Fpo

7. Mrs J Madeley ££49.90 admin fpo

**b.** Bank Reconciliation.

**c.** Consider a grant towards the cost of a 4 x 4 rural police vehicle.

**8. Parking at the foot of The Wrekin.**

a. update.

**9. Playing field.**

**a. Works**

**b. quote for tennis court works.**

**c. Grounds maintenance quotes.**

**10. Future of Websites and email addresses.**

1. update of share set up.
2. Report from Councillor Owen.

**11. Planning:**

**a. New Applications:**

* **TWC/2024/0065** 37 Coalmoor Lane Little Wenlock. Erection of a single storey side extension with raised terrace to South Elevation and Erection of a single storey side and rear extension to North West elevation.
* **TWC/2024/0068** Fir Trees Wellington Road Little Wenlock. Prior approval application for the erection of an additional storey above the top most storey to a maximum height of 7.9m.

1. **Decisions.**

* **TWC/2023/0144** Outline application for the erection of a battery storage facility, associated infrastructure and access with all other matters reserved. Land adjacent Hollydale Buildwas Road Ironbridge. **Outline Planning Permission** (see email in report).
* **TWC/2023/0340** 4 Arleston Hill Dawley Road. Erection of 1 Annexe. **Withdrawn.**
* **TWC/2023/0780** Erection of 1 replacement of a dwelling following demolition of the existing bungalow. Amended plans received. Site of Rowan New Works. **Full Planning Permission.**

1. **Telford and Wrekin Local Plan consultation consider response.**
2. **Local Plan drop in session 16th January 2024. 6 – 8pm, debrief.**
3. **Any other urgent planning matters.**

**12. Community Safety.**

**a.** Buildwas Lane next steps.

b. Condition of footpath off Coalbrookdale Road.

c. Condition of Malthouse Bank.

**13. Biodiversity Policy.**

**14. Clerk’s report.**

**15. Correspondence:**

**16. Date of next schedule meeting 11th March 2024**.

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**Report**

**9.Playing field**

The cleaning of the childrens play equipment has been done and the repairs. The contractor needs to return to clean the adult gym equipment and do the works on the resin soft play surface. That work is weather dependent. Works on the chain link is also to be completed.

A quote for the tennis court work should be available for the meeting.

**11.**

**Email from planning officer.**

Dear Jayne,

I hope you’re well. I left a voicemail for your earlier this afternoon in connection with the above planning application. The Parish Council submitted a call-in request in March for this application to be determined by Planning Committee. There was quite a lot of information missing from the application at the point it was submitted and it has taken some time to receive it all from the applicant.

I note there are three reasons given within the Parish Council’s call-in:

1.       Narrow access track and access for emergency services

2.       Amount of water required to put out potential fires and potential contamination of River Severn

3.       Flooding of River Severn making access track impossible to access

The access track in question already provides access to a number of properties and all three of the points raised above would apply to those existing buildings. For those reasons it would be unreasonable, in planning terms, to view the proposed development any differently. None of the points raised would represent a material planning consideration and therefore they do not meet the terms of the Council’s Scheme of Delegation for being referred to Planning Committee. This means the application will be dealt with under delegated powers. I have spoken with the Chair of Planning Committee and he is in agreement with this way forward.

Having assessed the application and supporting information, I am of the opinion that – with planning conditions – the proposals comply with the adopted Local Plan policies and the application can be recommended for approval.

I am aware that there are general concerns about the fire risk arising from battery storage facilities. With the application being in outline, the applicant would need to submit more details with a reserved matters application regarding the appearance and layout of the battery units. As part of this the Local Planning Authority can ask for further details about the operation of the units and this would include a condition on a Battery Safety Management Plan. Additional details will also be required as part of the drainage details to mitigate any flood risk and potential run-off into the River Severn. The Environment Agency were consulted on the application but offered no comments or concerns regarding a potential impact on the river.

I trust this information is helpful. Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Kind regards,

Katy

**15.**

**Clerk’s report**

* Local plan Response and liaising with several members of the public.
* Liaising with contractor for playing field.
* Replied to Medequip ev charging point email who have said they are considering options across many communities and will get back to the lwpc in the future.