# **Minutes of the meeting of Little Wenlock Parish Council held on Monday 8th March 2021 via zoom at 7.30 pm.**

### **Public Session.**

### Three members of the public were present. Their questions were about The Wrekin Traffic management scheme and the proposed development at Maddocks Hill Quarry. TWC/2021/0190s. Borough Councillor Seymour to chase the results of the consultation for Wrekin Traffic management scheme.

### **Record members present.**

### Councillors Marcham, Drakeley, Betts, Pennells and Stevens were present. Also present was Borough Councillor Seymour was also present.

### **Receive apologies and reasons for absence.**

### There were no apologies.

### **Dispensations and declaration of personal or prejudicial interests.**

None.

### **Minutes of the meeting held on 8th February 2021 and confidential minutes.**

It was RESOLVED to sign and approve the minutes of the meeting held on 8th February 2021 and the confidential minutes.

### **Borough of Telford and Wrekin Liaison.**

Borough Councillor Seymour reported there are plans to narrow Ercall Lane and widen the road to Wrekin Course. The possibility of a parking area is moving forward but it is going to take time. She has reported a fly tip on Huntington Lane.

### **7. Finance.**

### a. Consider payment of invoices. It was RESOLVED to pay the following invoices:

1. Mrs J Madeley £558.00 Chq 2156

2. Mrs J Madeley Expenses £126.63 Chq 2157

3. HMRC £38.00 Chq 2158

4. E. on £192.00 Chq 2159

5. Med UK Group Ltd £1828.80 Chq 2155

6. SSE £9.76,16.02 and £26.59 DD f

7. SSE. Information at meeting.

b. Debit Card use one payment of £66.50 for newsletter and extra information sheets. Noted.

c. Bank Reconciliation. Feb 21. Noted.

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|  | **£** |
| **Balance b/f 31.03.20** | **25,173.72** |
| Income | 19,014.12 |
| Total | 44,187.84 |
| Less: expenditure | 12,106.19 |
| **Total** | **32,081.65** |
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| Balances at 31.04.21 |  |
| Current account | 9,249.88 |
| savings account | 23,261.37 |
| **Sub total** | **32,511.25** |
| less unpresented Chq | 429.60 |
| add unpresented cr |  |

d. Nominate a councillor to be the second person to access various online records for pension.

It was RESOLVED Councillor Stevens would be the signature.

e. Grants Policy.

It was RESOLVED to approve the presented grants policy.

f. Insurance Quotes including Parish Online.

g. Consider purchase of a litter bin for Coalmoor Lane/Road. (see report).

It was RESOLVED to pay for a bin for this area. Clerk to arrange.

i. Consider opening a bank account with relevant banking authorisation. Update.

Lloyds Bank are not currently accepting switching accounts from the type of account the parish council would be opening.

**8. Planning:**

### **a. New Applications:**

* TWC/2021/0158 Erection of a side and rear first floor extension and installation of a rear porch. 32 Coalmoor Lane Little Wenlock. It was RESOLVED to raise no objection.
* TWC/2021/190 Change of use from former quarry to educational fieldwork centre including the erection of 3no. Iron-Age roundhouses, 1no. multi-purpose activity structure, warden’s accommodation & 6no. camping pods. Maddocks Hill and Quarry, Little Wenlock, Telford, Shropshire. It was RESOLVED to raise strong objection.

Little Wenlock Parish Council strongly object to this application for the following reasons: 1. The site is within the Shropshire Hills AONB. It is also within an area designated with the Telford and Wrekin local plan for several landscape prime examples, including archaeology, geology, and wildlife. 2. It is very close to a schedule ancient monument. 3. Hatch Lane has had a long history of antisocial and criminal behaviour and criminal activity. For this reason, there are barriers at each end to prevent vehicular access without authority. This must be continued. 4. Telford and Wrekin Local Plan Housing Policy designates Little Wenlock Parish as an area for no open market development allowing only housing on exceptions sites in certain circumstances. Accommodation for an educational setting does not appears to be part of those exceptions. 5. An attempt to build a house as part of a business at Coalmoor, within the parish, has recently been refused and is subject to an enforcement notice. 6. The access off Wellington Road onto Hatch Lane is poor. The area is busy with visitors to The Wrekin. The condition of Hatch Lane is not that of highway but a public footpath. 7. There is no mains water supply close by with property in the area using private supplies. 8. It is unclear how the wastewater will leave the site the words in the application and local knowledge do not tally. there is no stream for example known on site. 9. The site is going to need more than one member of staff to manage a field study site. it is understood the applicant has another "field study" site elsewhere that is used as a holiday let and not for study. there are concerns this may happen at Maddocks Hill Quarry.

**b. Decisions:**

* TWC/2020/0976 Erection of a Agri equestrian centre consisting of 20 enclosed stables with ancillary areas and habitable accommodation, the erection of a 6 bay Dutch Barn, creation of a menage and associated car parking (retrospective). **Refusal of full planning permission.**
* TWC/2020/1070 Erection of a first-floor extension over the existing garage including an extension to garage and construction of an entrance porch. Ty Wrocen, MaltHouse Bank Little Wenlock.

**Full Planning Permission.**

**c. Enforcement notice. Former Huntington Lane Mine Site.** Noted.

**d. Any other planning matters.** None.

**9. Climate Change and parish and town councils.**

a. Newsletter special. Has been distributed.

b. Letter from Telford and Wrekin Council. Forwarded with agenda pack. Noted.

**10. Defibrillator:**

The New Works Defibrillator is now installed. Councillor Drakeley will monitor. The Little Wenlock box and new unit will be installed on Tuesday 9th March 2021.

**11. Annual Parish Meeting.**

It was RESOLVED to hold the event on May 21st if possible, in the village hall. Subject to the Covid 19 road map.

### **12. Community Safety**

a. Traffic Management scheme At The Wrekin. No update.

b. Traffic management schemes around the parish. Clerk received an email just before the meeting. It was RESOLVED not to have the cobbles as a chicane in the centre of Little Wenlock. It was RESOLVED to see if the 30mph can be extended to New Works Farm.

**13. Clerk’s Report.**

Clerk reported on her activities.

**14. Management of meetings after 6th May.**

**a.** Consider writing to MP urging Government to allow the option of virtual meetings going beyond May 6th. (see report). Noted.

b. Consider future meeting arrangements. It was RESOLVED to hold the next meeting via zoom and follow the roadmap.

### **15. Individual Councillors Report and updates:**

### **a.** Update from Rights of Way Telford and Wrekin. No update.

### **b.** Village hall and playing fields committee.Report noted.

### **16. Correspondence:**

a. Consider adding Telford and Wrekin’s Livewell widget to website? It was RESOLVED to add the widget. Clerk to arrange.

b. Telford and Wrekin Climate Change Fund. Noted.

c. Various communications from a resident re The Wrekin one way system. Noted.

d. Letter from Ramblers at the heart of walking. (circulated to all Telford and Wrekin Parish Councils). Noted.

**17.** **Date of next schedule meeting 12th April 2021.**

The meeting was declared closed at 9.10pm.