**Minutes of the Meeting of Little Wenlock Parish Council on**

**Monday 10th January 2022** **in the village hall large hall** **at 7.30 pm.**

1. **Public Session.**

Three members of the public attended the meeting. Two concerned about the safety of livestock and property with dog walkers not keeping control of their dogs. Another member of the public bought to the attention the fact that a parish council has a right to speak at Borough Council planning committee meetings and asked if a representative will be present when the Steerway Solar Farm planning application is determined.

1. **Record members present.**

Councillors presentBetts, Mack Stevens, Pennells and Cooper. Also, present Borough Councillor Seymour.

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

No apologies were received.

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

Councillor Stevens declared an interest in item 16a.

1. **Minutes of the meeting held on 8th November 2021 and 29th November 2021. Notes from 10th December 2021.**

It was RESOLVED to sign and approve the minutes of the meeting held on 8th November 2021, 29th November 2021 and notes from 10th December 2021 noted.

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

Borough Councillor Seymour reported she is chasing for some progress with the repair to the footpath with the badger sett damage. The Wrekin one way system has been extended to 2023 but it is hoped a decision of a way forward will be in place in February 2022. The planning application for a car park is still being considered. With some issues with highways.

1. **Election of Vice Chair.**

No one was elected. It was RESOLVED to defer for now.

1. **Playing Field.**

The land registry documents are now all in place. There needs to be a change of address on the one document. Clerk to arrange. Copies handed to chair to pass onto secretary of the village hall committee.

1. **Queens Jubilee Tree.**

Telford and Wrekin Council are planning to plant one tree in each parish. They are proposing to plant a tree at the playing field. The tree will be an Ornamental Hawthorn- Crataegus “prunifolia splendens”.

1. **Email addresses.**

The new email addresses are set up and working.

1. **Telford and Wrekin Ward Boundary changes.**

The Electoral Commission has offered proposals to change the ward boundaries within the Borough of Telford and Wrekin. The proposal adds a part of Ercall Magna Parish to the existing ward of Wrockwardine and renaming the ward Little Wenlock and Wrockwardine Ward.

**12. Consider options for Neighbourhood watch.**

**a.** Links to the scheme are in report. Noted. A member of the public may be interested in co ordinating a scheme. Clerk to forward link.

b. Neighbourhood alerts. Link is in report. Noted.

**13. Consider offers of collaborative working with Telford and Wrekin. (Top up services and enhancements).** Clerk to ask for more information about Enhancement to Rights of Way, Enhanced drain cleansing/maintenance and social media. Clerk to forward.

**14. Finance.**

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

1. SSE street lighting DD £30.25, £9.84 AND 17.37.

2. Mrs J E Madeley Salary £578.35 Chq 19

3. HMRC PAYE £31.80 (subject to change see report) Chq 20

4. Shropshire Council Pension (online payment) £193.69

5. Mrs J Madeley Expenses £87.99. Chq 21

**b.** Approve budget and precept. It was RESOLVED to set a precept of £14380.49.

**c.** Queen’s Platinum Jubilee celebration fund. There is a fund available for community groups to hold celebrations during the Platinum weekend.

**d**. Recycling bin. Clerk to forward pictures of the bin

**e.** Bank Reconciliation. Nov 21 and Dec 21. Noted.

**f.** Contract for grounds maintenance. Quotes. It was RESOLVED to go with existing contractor despite the price being slightly higher. Clerk to see if he can do the work for slightly less.

**h.** War Memorial valuation. No movement on valuation. The stonemason will view the war memorial and report on costs if it can be fixed.

**i.** Consider funding book cupboards**. Defer.**

**j.** Consider further signatures for Lloyds Bank Account. It was RESOLVED all councillors will become signatures. Clerk to ask for relevant information to generate mandate.

**k.** Consider purchase of a new laptop. It was RESOLVED to cancel the contract with Midland Computers and use a different contractor. Chair to obtain a quote.

**L.** Bank accounts update. The Barclays bank account is now closed there is only the Lloyds account open.

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

a. Update. See Borough Councillor report. It was reported in the meeting that many cars were parked on the double yellow lines at the weekend.

**Councillor Stevens left the room**

**16. a. New Applications:**

* **TWC/2021/0973 Fir Trees Wellington Road Little Wenlock. Amended plans to proposed roof conversion**. It was RESOLVED not add any further comments.

**Councillor Stevens returned to the room.**

**b. Decisions:**

* **TWC/2021/0737** Installation of Solar Farm and associated infrastructure. Enlargement of existing car park and creation of viewing area. Land West of New Works Lane.

**Refusal of full planning permission.**

* **TWC/2021/0977** Variation of conditions 4 and 9 (drainage and approved plans) to planning application TWC/2018/0878 (change of use to develop an Agri equestrian centre to include 20 enclosed stables and ancillary areas, 6 bay Dutch barn, manege and car parking) to allow the alterations to ground levels and building height. Former Huntington Lane Surface mine site Little Wenlock. **Full planning permission.**
* **TWC/2021/0997** Wide Horizons Witchwell Lane Little Wenlock Erection of a first-floor front side and rear extension installation of 1 dormer window alterations of 1 dormer with associated balcony and replacement of 2 first floor windows within the side elevations.

**Full planning Permission.**

* **TWC/2021/1068** Installation of 1 ANPR camera and 1 payment machine. The Wrekin car park, Little Wenlock. **Full Planning Permission.**

**c.** **Any other planning matters**:

**1**. What is calling in an application? the explanation was noted.

**2**. Telford and Wrekin Review of the local validation list consultation. It was RESOLVED to ask Telford and Wrekin to add that the validation process asks for evidence on how the application affects climate change.

**17. Community Safety**

**a. SID.** a. update and data. Clerk has asked again for the battery to be changed.

**b. Defibrillator training event.** Confirm village hall paid for and donation sent.

**18. Clerk’s Report.** Noted.

**19. Individual Councillors Report and updates:**

**a.** Update from Rights of Way. The Telford and Wrekin Borough rights of way officer has reported he hopes the work will be done in January.

b. Village Hall and playing fields/ committee. No report.

**20. Dates of future meetings.** Noted clerk to do outlook dates for Councillor Cooper.

**21. Correspondence:**

**a**. Bus Shelter replacement plan Telford and Wrekin. Noted.

**b.** Local Policing Community Charter. Noted.

**c.** Countryside Voices CPRE. Noted.

**d.** RSN grants list. Noted.

**e.** correspondence from Utility Aid (streetlight power agents). Noted.

**f.** Thank you letter from Hope House Children’s Hospice. Noted.

**g.** information from Telford and Wrekin Council about the new cabinet. Noted.

**22. Date of next schedule meeting to be confirmed.**

Next scheduled meeting is 14th February 2022. The meeting was declared closed at 10.30pm