## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF LITTLE WENLOCK PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER 2020 VIA ELECTRONIC MEANS (zoom) at 7.30pm.

### **9/20/66. Public Session.**

### Six members of the public attended the meeting. 5 members of the public were in attendance to express their concerns about the temporary traffic management system at the foot of The Wrekin. They handed over a spreadsheet of the replies to a questionnaire.

Another member of the public attended to give a statement about a recent refused planning application. That statement is in appendix 1 on the minutes. Parts have been changed to ensure General Data protection regulations are complied with.

### **9/20/67. Record members present.**

### Councillors Marcham, Drakeley, Betts, Pennells and Stevens were present. Also, present Borough Councillor Seymour and 6 members of the public.

### **9/20/68. Receive apologies and reasons for absence.**

### None.

### **9/20/69. Dispensations and declaration of personal or prejudicial interests.**

### None.

### **9/20/70. Minutes of the meeting held on 13th July 2020.**

### It wasRESOLVED to sign and approve the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 13th July 2020.

### **9/20/71. Borough of Telford and Wrekin Liaison.**

Borough Councillor Seymour will send the clerk the ward fund forms if needed she will find out if the funds must be claimed and then repaid. Clerk to liaise. Borough Councillor will arrange a meeting in the village hall to discuss the issues around The Wrekin. Clerk to liaise.

**9/20/72. Accessibility Code.**

**C**hanges to the header and layout of the agenda have been made to comply with the new Accessibility Code that is now in force. All documents since 2018 should have been produced in an accessible way. Clerk has now done some training on how to produce accessible word documents and is getting used to the format. However, the accessibility requirements cover everything in a document therefore the header needs to comply. Clerk has tried to include all the information in the previous header and not been successful. This is the best clerk can do. The documents must be written and presented in a way that enables document reader devices to make sense of them. It was noted.

### **9/20/73. Finance.**

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

### 1. Mrs J Madeley £426.72 salary and expenses £107.73 = £534.45 chq 2129

2. Play safety Limited. £157.80 chq 2130

3. ICO £35.00 DD

4. Little Wenlock PCC £40.00 chq 2131

5. SSE £17.22, £9.83, £29.64 DD

6. Prestige Print (Telford) Ltd £141.50 chq 2132

7. Telford and Wrekin £300.00 chq 2133

8. HMRC £10.60 (paid from credit balance at HMRC).

b. Bank Reconciliation. Aug 20. Noted.

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| **Balance b/f 31.03.20** | **25,173.72** |
| Income | 8,513.04 |
| Total | 33,686.76 |
| Less: expenditure | 5,386.15 |
| **Total** | **28,300.61** |
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| Balances at 31.04.21 |  |
| Current account | 5,094.82 |
| savings account | 23,255.79 |
| **Sub total** | **28,350.61** |
| less unpresented chq | 50.00 |
| add unpresented cr |  |
| **Total** | **28,300.61** |

### c. Consider grant to Telford Street Pastors. Noted.

d. Consider grant to Telford and Wrekin Mining memorial. (still required) retain for future consideration.

e. Consider grant to Community Food Project. Noted.

f. Consider grant to Shropshire Mind. It was RESOLVED to give a grant of £100.00. clerk to arrange.

g. Internal Audit recommendations carried out as far as possible. Noted.

h. Debit card for clerk. Clerk has applied for a new set of forms after one part was not posted and Barclays appear to have lost the rest.

**9/20/74. Newsletter:**

a. Approve next edition. After slight amendment clerk to arrange publication.

b. distribution. It was RESOLVED to distribute in the normal manner.

c. Information Sheet. After slight amendment it was RESOLVED to distribute.

**9/20/75. Climate Change and parish and town councils.**

a. training courses. It was RESOLVED to pay for two training courses.

b. update from Telford committee. Councillor Betts provided information on the activities of the committee. Noted.

c. declaring a climate emergency. The training courses will provide the information to help form the right statement if decided to do so.

d. Telford and Wrekin Climate change resource pack for Parish and Town Councils. Noted.

**9/20/76. Parking at the foot of The Wrekin.**

1. Reports from various depts Telford and Wrekin. The following points have
2. The scheme is experimental and in place for 6 months with the consultation running alongside it.
3. The yellow sign that has appeared with details of that consultation is not because of anyone else’s efforts to get responses. It was in the plan of action for the works. I.e. put up near the end of the scheme works.
4. The works done have not been part of the £50k scheme. That is to come later. The £50k is still allocated for the permanent scheme. Plus, the funds set aside by the parish council.
5. The extra time it takes to get to the motorway in normal times has been measured. From the junction past Wrekin Course it is .9 of a mile to the motorway junction. Along Ercall Lane to the motorway junction is 2 miles. 3 minutes longer.
6. The Holyhead/Haygate Road works are not going to be there forever. Night working is happening at present.

6. He would like a Parish Council view. I.e. a resolution passed and mintued. So, we can do that on the 14th.

7. He is aware of discussions going on within TWC with landowners for the opening of car park/s. this is of course subject to landowner agreement. No one can be made to open a car park.

1. Park and ride is being looked at but costs are an issue. Costs will be more than the fares taken.

b. Telford and Wrekin Council (The Wrekin Telford) (Prohibition of Waiting) Experimental Order 2020. Noted.

### **9/20/77. Adult Gym Equipment.**

a. ROSPA Play Safety inspection report states that all pieces of equipment meet required safety standards. No action required.

b. The report includes information about the whole site and other equipment it has been passed to the Village hall and playing field committee. Noted.

### **9/20/78. Planning:**

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

### **TWC/2019/1046 Former Ironbridge Power station planning application.** It was RESOLVED to reiterate the concerns about traffic cutting through the parish via minor roads to Junction 7 of M54.

**b. Decisions:**

1. TWC/2020/0510 Erection of a two-storey front extension, a single storey side and rear extension, installation of 6 rooflights, proposed loft conversion and rendering of existing brickwork. The Seasons, Church Hill New Works**. Full Planning Permission**. Noted.

2. TWC/2020/0540 Erection of a first-floor roof terrace above existing garage. 6 Manor Farm the Alley Little Wenlock. **Refuse Full Planning Permission.** Noted.

**c. Pre application consultation. Proposed Solar Farm New Works. Additional information.** Noted.

### **d. Any other planning matters:**

### **9/20/79. Community Safety**

### **a.** Snow warden. Confirmed liaison snow warden is Councillor Marcham.

b. New Works Litter. No action telford and Wrekin have installed signs.

c. Speeding traffic in New Works and 30mph signs. Telford and Wrekin are replacing signs.

d. Telford and Wrekin Highways meeting. It was RESOLVED clerk should raise the possibility of 20mph in both Little Wenlock and New Works, Quite lanes wherever possible and Speed indicator device.

e. Defibrillator training (Cllr Betts). It was agreed this could be arranged when covid 19 restrictions allow. Costs could be between £50 and £80.

f. reflective tape. the tape has not been used yet defer for until December.

g. Community speed watch. The volunteers continue to meet and do their monitoring.

h. Smartwater signage. Is installed the project is now complete.

i. West Mercia Police and Crime Commissioner road safety grant. It was RESOLVED to apply for funds for a Speed indicator device.

j. Road Safety Trust funds for innovative road safety trials. Clerk to talk to Telford and Wrekin regarding this grant stream.

### **9/20/80. Consider adopting vexatious Procedure.**

a. Vexatious Procedure. It was RESOLVED to approve the presented policy.

b. Consider using the procedure after the recent threats and rudeness to chair and clerk. Clerk and chair to liaise.

**9/20/81. Clerk’s Report.**

Clerk presented report of activities carried out since last meeting. It was noted.

### **9/20/82. Individual Councillors Report and updates:**

### **a.** Update from Rights of Way Telford and Wrekin. Clerk to meet the team and contractor on 21st September to discuss works.

### b. Village hall and playing fields committee. Councillor Betts presented a report about the current grant applications for a new heating boiler.

### c. Record of trees in hedgerows. A record of trees is being made in hedgerows and clerk is keeping a file.

**9/20/83. Playing Field final paperwork.**

The final land registry document has been received giving right of access to the back of the barn on the playing field. It needs signing and returning to the clerk. Chair and Councillor Betts will sign and return.

**9/20/84. West Mercia Police and Crime Commissioner Annual Town and Parish Council survey 2020.**

Clerk to complete the survey using information provided by chair.

### **9/20/85. Four-year action plan ideas.**

### **a.** Dog doo signage consider rollout and monitoring. Defer.

### 1. sites for the signs. Spout Lane, Swanpool paths and Buildwas Lane

### 2. survey of sites. In Feb/Mar survey 9 different deposits were found in a fortnight.

### **9/20/86. Correspondence:**

### **a.** Telford and Wrekin Street naming consultation. Consider relevant names for new streets. Noted. No action

**b.** Hedgehog Survey. Noted.

**c.** Various communications from residents re the traffic management scheme. All circulated and noted. Clerk replied to each communication suggesting the resident complete the Telford and Wrekin consultation.

**9/20/87. Date of next schedule meeting 12th October 2020.** The meeting was declared closed at 9.20pm.

**Appendix 1**

Statement from resident regarding a refused planning application.

Thank you for the opportunity to take part in the meeting.  I will try and make this as brief as possible as we have other topics to cover

*He introduced himself ..* and I have been a resident in Little Wenlock for 27 years.  I am sure you may know, i have been with my current partner for 5 years and 5 years ago we decided to make Little Wenlock our long term residence and as such we set out to renovate the property that I have lived in. We completed our original plans and our house is now complete but to finish off our original designs we submitted a design for a roof garden terrace, unfortunately  we were not aware that this was being discussed at the previous parish council  meeting and there are no detailed minutes, now that is our fault that we were not at that meeting but what concerns me is and we were surprised and disappointed that we received 2 objections, one from the parish council and one from a resident.  Now the reason I say I was surprised was that both the resident and the parish council both detailed that this was a very similar plan to that submitted in 2017 and to that they are partially correct but I would like it noted the there were no objections from either the resident or the parish council in 2017.  What I would also like to say is that one of the objections referred to it being previously refused, that is factually incorrect as we actually, after discussions with Telford and Wrekin Council decided to remove it from our original plan.  They had made various comments to that plan all of which we have taken note of and into consideration with our revised plan, that plan as you are aware was submitted and has subsequently been refused.

I would like to make the Parish Council aware that we will be going for an appeal and an appeal has been lodged and all of the documentary evidence to support that will be available in the coming few days.

**Parish Council comments to the application.**

*Little Wenlock Parish Council objects to this application because it will cause loss of privacy to the surrounding dwellings and the green wall may block light from the immediate dwelling. it should be noted this was removed from a previous application TWC/2017/0986.*