

Buildwas Parish Council

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Chairman of the Council
Cllr L Pratt

Clerk to the Council
Mr C Furnival

Minutes of the meeting of Buildwas Parish Council meeting held on Monday 16th January 2023 at Buildwas Village Hall 7.30pm.

Members present: Councillors Pratt (chair), Jones, Ling, Wilcox, Heath and Jackson.

In attendance: Cllr Wild (Shropshire Councillor), Mrs J Madeley (Locum Clerk) and two members of the public.

It was RESOLVED to elect Mrs Jayne Madeley as proper officer for the evening.

22/23.59 Apologies and declarations of Interest

No apologies were received.

22/23.60 Public Session

Two members of the public were present. They had no issues to raise.

22/23.61 Co-Option of a Parish Councillor

Two candidates were seeking election. They gave a brief presentation on their reasons for wishing to become a parish councillor. A vote was taken and it was **RESOLVED elect Jill Grainger to fill the vacancy.** She signed a declaration of office.

22/23.62 Minutes of the Full Council meeting held 21st November 2022

It was proposed by Councillor Heath and seconded by Councillor Wilcox all in favour therefore it was **RESOLVED to approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 21st November 2022.**

22/23.63 Matters arising, for information, from the 21st November 2022 minutes not otherwise on the agenda.

None.

22/23.64 Reports from West Mercia Police

No report.

22/23.65 Reports from Shropshire Council

Shropshire Councillor Wild reported that the electoral commission are currently consulting on a ward boundary review. The aim is to have equal wards representing 3500 electors. There should be 75 Shropshire Councillors at the end of the review. She felt the Severn Valley ward will be split. The next Buildwas Power Station liaison will include an invitation for Buildwas Parish Councillors to have a tour of the new train. Those interested to tell clerk. It is 4th March 2023. There has been a meeting with highways officers about VAR signs and there will be two extra signs. 2 in Buildwas and 2 in Leighton. 2 phases of the site have been sold to developers. Questions were asked. A list of those wishing to take the train tour needs to go to Shropshire Councillor Wild. It will be 3rd March 10.30am. An invitation to a transport meeting has been issued and it is on 26th January 2023.

Initial:

22/23.66 Correspondence

- a. Sustainable Affordable Warmth Strategy. Put something in under The Wrekin.
- b. Draft Ironbridge Gorge World Heritage Site Supplementary Planning Document – Consultation. There will need to be an extra meeting to decide on a response.
- c. Divisional Boundary Review
- d. Farley Quarry. There is a live planning application for processing top soil. Clerk to respond supporting Much Wenlock Town Council’s response.

22/23.67 Highways/Road Safety along the B4380

Councillor Ling reported that he has concerns that he is unable to establish when the promised works will be carried out on the bend near Glebe Cottage. He will continue to try to find out.

22/23.68 Buildwas Parish Plan (Community Led Plan)

So far there have been 16 replies. More promotion work will be carried out to encourage more replies.

22/23.69 Climate and Nature Action

Cllr Jackson is booked to attend the carbon literacy course.

22/23.70 Reports from Parish Councillors

Councillor Heath will circulate the minutes of the last Power Station Liaison meeting. Councillors Heath and Pratt met with Harworth about playing fields, they will be investing £640000 into the site. They have a football club interested in playing there. The framework of development is going to start with the junction by the sand hole. There is an offer of £20000 to help improve parking at Buildwas Primary school. They are looking for private investment for the pump house. There was a small discussion about the current bridge access. The VAR project is in addition to the section 106 agreement. Leighton traffic calming may happen.

22/23.71 Planning

22/05665/FUL - Holiday Let Accommodation At, The Folley, 34 Much Wenlock Road

Proposals: Change of use from holiday let accommodation to dwelling. It was **RESOLVED to raise no objection.**

22/23.72 Finance reports

It was **RESOLVED to accept the bank reconciliation and agree the payments.**

It was **RESOLVED to pay clerk at scale 17 £13.95.** After amendment to Salary figure and leaf clearing to £400.00, it was **RESOLVED to accept the budget.**

It was **RESOLVED to raise a precept of £9228.00.**

Councillor Ling asked that, when information is available, the Parish Council promote the cost of living support that will become available for oil fired heating systems.

Mrs Madeley gave information about VAR/SID devices she manages elsewhere that record the speed data. Not a number plate, just speed data. She promised to pass on the company and contacts.

Meeting finished: 21:22

These minutes are to be considered as a draft form until signed at the next appropriate meeting, the signed copy will be retained by the Parish Council.

Signed: Dated:/...../.....

Date of the next meeting: 20th March 2023, 7:30pm at Buildwas Village Hall