

Whixall Parish Council



Chairman: Ian Mercer

Minutes of the Parish Council's Monthly Meeting held on 14 February 2023 at Whixall Social Centre starting at 7:30pm

Present:

Councillors: I Mercer (chair), J Spenser, P Rodenhurst, A Rawlinson, D Edgerton, M Evans, M Howard
(joined the meeting at 7.55pm)

Shropshire Councillors: P Broomhall, E Towers.

Clerk: A Roberts

Other Organisations 1 (Whixall Social Centre)

Members of the Public: 0

9/24 Public Session

- a. Ms S Beer, Whixall Social Centre Bookings Clerk, spoke in relation to a booking for the main hall on Wednesday evenings.
- b. Mr S Grogan, Whixall Social Centre Committee Chair, spoke in relation to the grant funding application made by Whixall Village Hall Committee (Social Centre).

10/24 Apologies for Absence

Cllr B Harris (holiday)

11/24 Declarations of Pecuniary Interest

Cllr Spenser declared a non-pecuniary interest in relation to the grant application from Whixall URC Graveyard Trust.

12/24 Minutes of Previous Meeting

Resolved: The minutes of the Council meeting held on 24 January 2024 should be signed.

The Chair signed the minutes.

13/24 Reports

Reports from the Shropshire Councillors and the clerk were circulated in advance. Their contents were noted. Both reports raised concerns re animal welfare in the parish and the clerk will follow up on these. Additionally the Clerk raised local concerns regarding flooding.

The Chair thanked Cllrs Towers and Broomhall for providing their report prior to meetings.

14/24 Parish Matters

The Marlot

- a. The report was circulated in advance – its content was noted.
- b. The clerk has approached Natural England to set up a meeting with Cllrs Mercer and Rawlinson to agree the logistics, timings and costs of the culvert repair.

15/24 Planning

- a. To consider applications
None received
- b. To note planning decisions made by Shropshire Council

23/05216/FUL Oak Cottage, Church Lane, SY13 2NA
Erection of extension, alteration works, detached garage and
replacement treatment plant.
Grant Permission

- 23/05328/FUL Orchard Cottage, Rack Lane, SY13 2RP
Proposed two storey rear extension and single storey side extension.
Refuse
- 23/05323/FUL Ladywell House, SY13 2RR
Rear extension and replacement entrance porch.
Grant Permission

16/24 **Financial Matters**

- a. To receive monthly bank balance record and bank reconciliation.

DATE	ACCOUNT NAME	AMOUNT
31 January	Current Account (Working Budget)	942.83
	Savings Account (Reserves)	18138.44
TOTAL		19,081.27

The bank reconciliation and statements were checked by Cllr Evans prior to the meeting.

- b. To resolve to approve outstanding accounts

Resolved: All payments are authorised. Outstanding accounts should be paid and the payment transactions authorised by two nominated councillors.

New Payments to be approved				
HMRC	PAYE	81.40	65.23	LGA 1972 s112(2)
Employee	Salary	325.75	66.23	LGA 1972 s112(2)
NEST	Pension Contributions	63.83	67.23DD	LGS(DP)R 1961 s1
Whixall Village Hall	Room Bookings 2024-25	216.00	68.23	LGA 1972 s111
Employee	Reimbursement	34.40	69.23	LG(FP)A 1963 s5
C Jones	Grass Cutting Contract	1015.00	70.23	PHA 1875,s16

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- c. To resolve to distribute Grant Funding (Discussed following item 11/24).

The three grant applications exceeded the available budget (£390). A discussion took place.

Resolved: To pay grants totalling the available budget. Grants will be paid as follows:

£170: Whixall Village Hall (Social Centre)
£50 : Whixall URC Graveyard Trust
£170: North Salop Wheelers.

Scheduled date of the next meeting
13 March 2024 (7.30pm)

The meeting closed at 9.10 pm.