

LITTLE WENLOCK PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY
17th June, 2013 AT 7.30 p.m. IN THE VILLAGE HALL, LITTLE WENLOCK.**

- 6/13/01 Declaration of Office:**
Parish Councillor Sheila Hutchison, having been elected as Chairman at the AGM in her absence, read out and signed the Declaration of Office which was duly countersigned by the Clerk.
- 6/13/02 Members Present:**
Councillors Mrs. S. Hutchison (Chairman), Miss J. Esp (Vice Chairman), Mrs. J. Davidson and Mr. A. Lees.
Mr. J.F. Marcham – Clerk & RFO to Little Wenlock Parish Council.

T&W Borough Councillor Jacqui Seymour
- Members of the Public:**
4 member of the public were present including Peter Whittle, Chairman of the HLSMCLC
- 6/13/03 Apologies:**
Apologies were received from Councillor Mr. S. Holding which were accepted.
T&W Councillor Terry Kiernan.
- 6/13/04 Declarations of Interest:**
None were declared.
- 6/13/05 Members of the public address the Parish Council:**
No one addressed the meeting.
- 6/13/06 Minutes:**
Under Allocation of Consultation Responsibilities the following was added:
Rights of Way: Cllrs. Hutchison and Davidson.
The minutes of the meeting held on 13th May 2013 were then **approved** and **signed** by the Chairman.
- 6/13/07 Update on Highway Issues:**
- a. It was reported that work had started on 17th June along Spout Lane. The road was closed from its junction with Wellington Road to the bridge.
 - b. No further information had been received concerning the rumble strips and it was **resolved** to contact Lee Barnard for an update.
 - c. The Clerk reported that the legal notices for the parking restrictions at the Forest Glen had been published.
 - d. Cllr. Esp raised concerns about the patching on Willowmoor Bank which was again failing. The Clerk was asked to contact T&W Highways
- 6/13/08 Bus Shelter Plaque:**
- a. It was resolved to order a brass plaque with the following inscription on it: "This bus shelter was funded by the UK Coal Community Fund and built on land leased from Veolia – June 2013".
 - b. Cllrs. Davidson & Lees would hold a site meeting on 21st June to decide on the location etc of the planters.
 - c. It was **resolved** that a reminder be sent to SevernOak regarding the seat and pin-board in the notice boards.

6/13/09 New Works Street Lights:

a. The Clerk reported that a successful bid was made by New Works residents for the new street lights. At the moment everything was on hold because T&W have refused to pay the grants following 5 complaints about the UK Coal Liaison Committee. Once the grant is paid there is a 20 week lead in time for the project by E.On once the order has been placed.

b. The wattage had yet to be decided and it was **resolved** that the new light near to New Works Farm be used to decide what wattage was required.

6/13/10 Community Newsletter:

It was resolved to hold over the newsletter to July to see what decision, if any, T&W had made about the complaints holding up the payment of the grants to 2 projects within the community.

6/13/11 Superfast Broadband:

Most of the optical fibre cable had been installed but there was a blockage in part of the ducting that had to be investigated. It was still hoped that it would be completed by the end of the month. BT had agreed to keep the Clerk informed of developments.

6/13/12 War Memorial:

- a. The Clerk had received a letter from the War Memorial Trust. It had stated that they were against the insertion of plaques and they gave their reasons for that. They advised re-cutting the letters following an assessment of each letter. They would be able to offer funding towards work to the existing lettering. Advice was also offered about cleaning.
- b. It was **resolved** to obtain further quotations using the War Memorial Trust's guidelines.
- c. It was **resolved** not to start fund raising until the total cost had been ascertained.
- d. It was **resolved** to make an application to the Ward Fund once the fund raising had taken place if additional funds were required.
- e. It was **resolved** not to insure the war memorial.

6/13/13 Clerk's Report:

- a. Meeting with Stuart Ashton, Planning & Development Officer, Harworth Estates:
Four main points came out of the meeting:
 - i. Harworth Estates own the coal site.
 - ii. The restoration will be done and monitored by them.
 - iii. The top site is not being "compacted" so that building can take place on it but they will at some future date consider an application for planning permission.
 - iv. The design of the car park on New Works Lane can be changed to an extended lay-bye if the residents of New Works so wish. In fact the present proposed car park would be very restrictive for horse boxes because of its size and the height restriction barrier.
- b. Barclays Bank: Barclays Bank had fully accepted the Clerk's complaint that they had wasted 5 hours of his time when they cut off the banking internet service and offered him £50 in compensation.
- c. Npower payments: Npower were actively investigating the complaint. The Clerk had requested that they agree to a 30 day payment term.

- d. Email address: The Clerk informed the council that he was changing internet providers and had suggested that the PC has its own email address. It was **resolved** that the email address would be LWPC@..... If it were available.
- e. Rosemary Carter had brought to the attention of the PC that the bridle path was very overgrown and needed cutting. It was **resolved** that in the first instance Andrew Careless (T&W RoW Officer) be asked to cut back the hedges etc.
- f. Elaine Gandy had requested that the grass around the planters be strimmed. It was **resolved** to ask Ken Smith Contracting Service to do this. She also raised questions about fly-tipping and litter. The Clerk reported that he has spoken to Adrian Coreley (T&W) who has said that if a car number and time of the offence could be taken T&W would pursue the offender.

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Planning:

- a. TWC/2013/0391. Construction of a storage shed with associated stairs and handrail and the erection of a gazebo and viewing platform. Treetops, Ercall Lane, Wellington Lane.
- b. TWC/2013/0384. Erection of two storey rear extension to public house & restaurant. The Huntsman Inn.

The Clerk informed the PC that everyone had the opportunity to respond to the two planning applications which the PC would have discussed on the 10th June. As everyone supported the applications he had informed the planning department that LWPC supported the applications.

- c. Cllr. Esp had attended the Plans Board on 22nd May and made representations on behalf of LWPC regarding the change of use of the Old Barn. It has been decided by the Plans Board that the use as a mechanics workshop within Use Class B2 hereby permitted shall be restricted to the existing tenant, Neal Alderson, as confirmed in writing with the Local Planning Authority and for no other purposes within Use Class B2. Once the said tenant ceases the use hereby permitted, the site shall be reinstated to its former use (use class B1) and the site reinstated to its former condition unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

Reason: To restrict the use and potential over-expansion of the business in order to protect the character of the area and amenities of nearby residential dwellings.

- d. Shaping Places Local Plan: Members of the PC would be attending the meeting on 20th June.

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Borough Liaison:

T&W Borough Councillor Jacqui Seymour informed the meeting that no final decision had yet been taken about the ward boundaries. She reported that she had attended her first meeting of the health commissioning board and outlined the issues that had been raised.

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Individual Councillors Reports and Updates:

- a. Huntington Lane Surface Mine Liaison Committee. Reports on the Community Fund and the Liaison Committee had been circulated to parish councillors prior to the meeting and no issues were raised. The reports are appended to these minutes. The Clerk reported that a letter had been sent to Richard Partington, Managing Director, T&W Borough Council on 4th June concerning the blocking of the grants

awarded by Coal Community Fund on 20th May to the two projects within the parish.

- b. Village Hall meeting: No report received.
- c. ALC Training: Insurance and Planning: The planning training had nothing to do with T&W planning policies and strategies and was therefore not relevant. It was felt that the training should cover both authorities and it was resolved that the Clerk writes to ALC expressing the council's concern.

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Finance:

- a. New Lighting Contract: The New Works lights, which will be replaced this year, had been removed from the maintenance contract 2013/2014 REF: 5883 and the annual cost was now £379.31, it had previously been £587.93. It was resolved to take out the contract.
- b. Insurance for new signage: It was resolved not to insure the new signs.
- c. Publication of audit notice: The Clerk reported that the audit notices had been placed on both notice boards on 10th June as legally required.
- d. Bank Balances were as follows:
 Balance in Community Account: £15,248.76 which balances with the cash book.
 Balance in Base Rate Account: £17,072.14 (interest paid on 3rd June is £7.71)
- e. It was **resolved** to pay the following accounts:

t Lawrence Church PCC	Towards the upkeep of the Church graveyard	£300.00
J.F. Marcham	Salary	£251.96
HMRC	PAYE	£62.98
J.F. Marcham	Quarterly Expenses	£250.53
K. Smith	Grass Cutting etc	£579.60
J.F. Marcham	Compensation re Barclays Bank (See 6/13/13b)	£50.00

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Date of the next meeting:

Monday 8th July at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall.