

Withington Parish Council Meeting
Wednesday 3rd November 2021
at 7.30pm in the Parish Room

Minutes

40/2021 Present: Councillors Phil Heath (Chair), Neil Maxwell, Lesley Stone, Martin Timmis Alan Williams, Councillor Lezley Picton, Alan Grainger (Sundorne Estate Manager), Lyn Birch & Stuart Roberts West Mercia PCSO's, Denise Roscoe (Clerk) and 10 members of the public.

41/2021 Welcome: The chairman welcomed everyone.

42/2021 Apologies: Stuart Jones

43/2021 Declaration of Interest: None

44/2021 Approval of the Minutes of 1st September 2021

The minutes were approved and signed by the Chairman

45/2021 Public Forum

The police are using a new system, called Neighbourhood Matters, it enables residents, businesses and community groups across Herefordshire, Worcestershire, Shropshire, and Telford to find out more about what is happening in their local community. It also gives them the opportunity to contact police officers and local policing teams directly so they can raise any concerns and provide feedback. Website: neighbourhoodmatters.co.uk/

Cllr Williams said that the resident of Woodlands close had received notices from Shropshire Council telling them that the pavements will be treated with slurry which will restore the pavements to how they looked originally.

46/2021 Report from Cllr Lezley Picton

Cllr Picton reported that in May 2021 there were 15,000 potholes on the roads. Now there are less than 3,000

Shropshire Council are bidding for the "Bus Back Better" (a national bus strategy for England) with a view to having a dial up bus service in the future.

A boundary review is underway it must start in October 2022 and ends in October 2023. There may be a divisional review for wards and Parish Councils

47/2021 Updates from Previous Meetings

- **Defibrillator Awareness:** Cllr Stone plans to hold the next defibrillator awareness session on 20th November at 10.30am in the Parish Room the session should last about an hour.
- **Allscott stakeholders meeting:** The Chairman of the Stakeholders meeting is Mike Sambrook Managing Director of SJ Roberts. **Action: Clerk** to find out the speed limit for the road and whether there is going to be public transport
- **Email address list update:** There are still a few email addresses missing
- **Welcome to Withington leaflet:** **Action: Clerk** to update the leaflet with revisions. Leaflet to be distributed to all addresses in the Parish as a one-off and thereafter to be delivered to new residents.

Minutes confirmed as correct _____ 12 January 2022 _____

Chairman

- **Update on Parish Highways working group:** The Clerk reported that the group is looking at two areas one being the lengthman service which involves some minor highways works being carried out by someone employed locally. The other is working on a reporting system for the whole County to use. The new system will enable highways and the contractors to work more efficiently.
- **Spraying crops protocol:** The Chairman asked for the NFU leaflet: "Spraying Responsibly best practice when spraying near residential areas" be sent to the parishioners who are concerned, with a view to them speaking to the owners of the fields. **Action: Clerk**

48/2021 Finance Report

Approval of Accounts to date for the Parish Council and the Village Green

**WITHINGTON PARISH COUNCIL
FINANCIAL STATEMENT
2nd November 2021**

Parish Council (Incl Defibrillator Funds)		Village Green	
Brought Forward from 31/08/21	£8,663.44	Brought Forward from 31/08/21	£9,181.31
Receipts since 31/08/21	£4,865.00	Receipts since 31/08/21	£174.00
Tractor Run	£4,260.00		
Tractor Run	£275.00		
Tractor Run	£130.00	Friends of the Green (2021)	£174.00
Tractor Run	£200.00		
Payments Approved - 01/09/21	£3,804.48	Payments Approved - 01/09/21	£0.00
Clerks Salary (Sep 21)	£532.48	None	
Hire of Hall (Sept 21)	£12.00		
Village Green Loan + Interest	£3,260.00		
Payments made since 31/08/21 for approval	£6,200.00	Payments made since 31/08/21 for approval	£201.96
Tractor Run	£3,100.00	R Lucas Tyre Change over	£15.00
Tractor Run	£3,100.00	R Lucas Mower Valve	£12.00
		R Lucas Mower Tyre	£46.80
		D Roscoe Mower Insurance	£128.16
Balance Carried Forward to 02/11/21	£3,523.96	Balance Carried Forward to 02/11/21	£9,153.35
Payments for approval - 03/11/21		Payments for approval - 03/01/21	
Clerks Salary (Dec 21)	£532.48		
Hire of Hall (Nov 21)	£12.00		
Authorisation to pay the following if within budget amount:		Authorisation to pay the following if within budget amount:	
		Lawn Mower Maintenance	
		Hedge Cutting	

Payments Approved at the Meeting for Both Accounts

Payments made since 31/08/21

£3,100.00	Prostate Cancer UK
£3,100.00	Lingden Davies Charity
£15.00	R Lucas Tyre change over
£12.00	R Lucas Mower valve
£46.80	R Lucas Mower tyre
£128.16	D Roscoe Mower Insurance

Payments for approval 03/11/21

£532.48	Clerks Salary (Dec 21)
£12.00	Hire of Hall (Nov 21)

49/2021 Dog Fouling

There is a problem with dog mess not being picked up in the village. Cllr Picton suggested contacting Jane Salisbury at Shropshire Council. **Action Clerk**

50/2021 Speeding Community Watch Scheme

To qualify for the scheme there must be a clear line of sight of at least 100 metres to the approaching or leaving vehicles in the intended observed direction. Vehicles cannot be recorded within 200 meters of the start, end or change in speed limit. It was decided that Withington would not meet the criteria. Cllr Picton suggested contacting John Campion. **Clerk: Action**

51/2021 Planning

Barkers House 21/05033/Ful 4 bed detached 2 storey dwelling.

The Parish Council does not object to this planning application as it doesn't contravene the Shropshire Council Sam Dev policy for development in Open Countryside.

52/2021 Village Green Committee Report

The Village Green Chairman reported that only 2 people attended the last meeting making it not quorate. The Chairman was asked to arrange another meeting if attendance is low then a Village Green meeting will be held before the January Parish Council meeting at 7.00pm.

53/2021 Date of Next Parish Council Meeting – Wednesday 12th January 2022

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