

LITTLE WENLOCK PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 14TH DECEMBER 2015 AT 7.30 p.m. IN THE VILLAGE HALL, LITTLE WENLOCK.

- 12/15/21 MEMBERS PRESENT:**
Cllrs J Davidson, J Esp, A Lees, R Drakeley.
- IN ATTENDANCE:**
S Davidson – Locum Clerk & RFO to Little Wenlock Parish Council. Cllr J Seymour (BTW)
- MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC:**
3 x members of the public were present.
- 12/15/22 APOLOGIES:** Cllr S Hutchison
- 12/15/23 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** None.
- 12/15/24 PUBLIC SESSION:**
Mr Roberjot was looking to have the footpath 186 relocated to the other side of its present position. Cllr Davidson is contacting Andrew Careless (BTW- Borough of Telford & Wrekin). A definitive map was shown of the existing footpath which showed that the request for the move is in place.
- John Marcham (Ex LWPC Clerk) offered the new locum clerk his support and details if needed.
- Jim Roberts received a letter of request for removal of barriers from BTW for Hatch Lane, Mr Roberts spoke to Andrew Careless (BTW) about the footpath only originally being a bridleway. Cllr J Davidson to contact Lisa Roberts in the Legal Department (BTW) to support keeping the bollards in place.
- Jim Roberts has offered his services to lay aggregate of approximately 50 tons for Steerway if BTW will supply the aggregate, Cllr Lees to follow up with Andrew Careless (BTW)
- 12/15/25 TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH MEETING HELD ON 9TH NOVEMBER 2015.**
The minutes of the meeting held on 9th November 2015 were **approved and signed**.
- 12/15/26 HIGHWAYS:**
- a. Quiet Lane update.**
No intention to start until January 2016 at the earliest. BTW Cllr Seymour is to write a letter to the Borough.
 - b. Parking on Church Lane bend and Spout Lane corner.**
Works on bungalow where vehicles are parking on Spout lane corner, it was suggested to keep an eye on the situation and if it gets worse to write to the vehicle owners (wait until next council meeting before taking any further action).
 - c. Dropped Drain Cover – Wellington Road.**
It is no longer a dropped drain but now blocked. The Clerk was asked to get in touch with BTW to report the blocked drain.
 - d. Flooding onto road from Well from Huntington Lane. Land Ownership?**
Cllr Seymour (BTW) was asked to contact the Borough to discover who has land ownership.
 - e. Forest Glen, yellow lines covered with leaves and debris.**
The Clerk to Report this problem to BTW.
 - f. Other highway issues.**
There has been a complaint about a green van and car parking outside the bungalow known as Burnett where vehicles are nuisance parking.

- 12/15/27 FOOTPATHS & BRIDLEWAYS:**
- a. ROW – Meeting with Andrew Careless.**
Not to be undertaken by the Borough until the next financial year.
 - b. Footpath 189.**
Action been completed and no further action to take.
 - c. Footpath 186.**
Action been completed
 - d. Swanpool Permissive Footpath.**
It was proposed by Cllr Lees and seconded by Cllr Esp to make the permissive footpath into the definitive footpath.
 - e. Swanpool Path Flooding.**
An enforcement officer (BTW) has been invited to look at the flooded footpath at Swanpool. Paul Davies will meet with Cllrs Lees and Davidson on site to discuss this issue.
 - f. Steeraway surface condition.**
Meg Stretton (Steeraway) a resident in this unadopted road along with four other residents together with Jim Roberts, have asked BTW to see if they can supply approx. 50 tonne of aggregate for the farmer (Jim Roberts) to fill in the potted road surface. Cllr Lees is to follow this offer up with Andrew Careless (BTW).
 - g. Smalley Hill/Shropshire wildlife trust.**
The boardwalk into the site, already sited bat boxes and a hide, there are two paths each approx. 400 yards which have not yet been cleared and cleaned. Shropshire Wildlife Trust need to get in on site to do this clearing before the next nesting season commences. Cllr Drakeley is to follow this up.
 - h. Dog Bag Dispensers.**
Cllr Davidson has asked on numerous occasions for dog bags and nothing has come from BTW regarding this issue. LWPC are planning to install dog bag dispensers and BTW will reimburse all costs to LWPC and for LWPC to be responsible for keeping these dispensers topped up only if BTW pay for them.
- 12/15/28 WASTE BINS:**
- a.** Completed
 - b.** BTW expect to have a bin installed by Lady Roberts bench before Christmas.
 - c.** Completed
- 12/15/29 BENCHWALK BENCHES:**
- Tom's Bench.**
The families are in the process of purchasing a new bench. LWPC will contribute £200 to the cost once the bench is in situ.
- 12/15/30 GRASS CUTTING AND STRIMMING QUOTATIONS:**
LWPC to obtain quotes for prices based on a defined schedule of works for maintaining the green open spaces around the village.
Cllr Lees is to contact Richard Hollins for a quote for the grass cutting/strimming.
- 12/15/31 TWC WARD GRANT SCHEME:**
The £500 grant from the Borough needs to be with the Borough by 31st January 2016.
Residents were asked in the newsletter for ways of spending this fund but no suggestions have been made.
- 12/15/32 DEFIBRILLATOR, LOG BOOK HAND OVER:**
Cllr Davidson asked that the battery be checked weekly in case of emergency.
- 12/15/33 CLERK'S REPORT:**
Cllr Davidson had not received a clerks report to read out.
- 12/15/34 BOROUGH LIAISON:**
Cllr Seymour (BTW) updated LWPC on the health and wellbeing board, running pilots across the two hospitals to help illustrate the new set up for patients for CCG's.

Cllr Seymour also reported on further job cuts at BTW losing one director and two assistant directors.

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PLANNING:

None received.

Cllrs Davidson and Drakeley had a meeting with the planning department at BTW.

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INDIVIDUAL COUNCILLORS REPORTS AND UPDATES:

Geo Village Update (Cllr Davidson)

Cllr Davidson reported that there are only 5 Geo Villages in Europe and would like LWPC to become one. She hoped LWPC would push this through with the help of Shropshire Geological society. LWPC have to be seen as supporting the scheme to be classed as a Geo Village, the benefits this will bring are increased tourism and protecting the area.

Cllr Davidson suggested possible getting in touch with Malmsbury, Wilshire (the other Geo Village) to see how they evolved as a result of their attaining Geo Village Status.

It was proposed by Cllr Davidson to support the Geo Village application this was seconded by Cllr Lees.

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FINANCE:

The Precept is being kept at £14,228 for 2016/17.

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DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING:

Monday 11th January 2016 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall.

There was no further business. Meeting closed at 9.57pm

Chairman..... Date.....