

WEST FELTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the ANNUAL PARISH MEETING of WEST FELTON PARISH COUNCIL held on TUESDAY 20 APRIL 2021 at 8pm via Zoom video conferencing.

Chaired by: Marian Hesketh (Parish Council Chairman)

Clerked by: Rosemary Wood (Parish Council Clerk)

PRESENT:

Parish Councillors: Chairman Marian Hesketh, Roger Hampson, Pat Mabe, David Curtis, David Walker (and Carole Coles from item 5.21(c))

Representatives from local groups: Four people (including one parish councillor) representing six groups

Also present: Members of the Public: One

1.21	CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME & APOLOGIES The Chairman welcomed everyone and thanked the group representatives for submitting written reports that the Clerk had circulated and put on the parish council's website prior to the meeting. She also advised that the meeting was being recorded and that anything that was said may be included in public minutes and all present consented to this. Apologies received from Parish Councillor Alison Ollier
2.21	MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD ON 9 APRIL 2019 It was RESOLVED to confirm the above minutes as a true record (subject to replacing the word 'Deacon' in 3.19(f) with 'Church Warden') and the Chairman was instructed to sign them as such.
3.21	ANNUAL WRITTEN REPORT FROM WEST FELTON PARISH COUNCIL The Chairman's written report was NOTED . The Chairman also reported that the parish council had considered 24 planning applications during the 2020-21 year and raised some objections. She gave a reminder that the parish council is only a consultee and that planning decisions are taken by Shropshire Council, but that the parish council welcomes input from residents.
4.21	ANNUAL WRITTEN REPORT FROM WEST MERCIA POLICE The report was NOTED .
5.21	ANNUAL WRITTEN REPORTS FROM PARISH GROUPS Written reports from the following groups were NOTED and representatives present made further comments as follows: (a) West Felton Methodist Chapel – It was also reported that as far as opening up for services the chapel are waiting to see how the next few months of the pandemic progress, which is outside of their control, and that they would particularly like to be able to reopen the coffee mornings as people are looking forward to that. (b) West Felton Village Hall – It was also reported that the hall has been allowed to open for children's dance classes, with the hall opening up again, with restrictions, to other local groups from 17 May. (c) West Felton CE Primary School – Helen Hughes reported that she has been Headteacher since September 2020 with Nicola Bond as the Executive Headteacher of the Westcliffe Federation. The Chairman thanked the school for all their hard work during the pandemic and Helen Hughes reported that the school had really appreciated the support received from governors and parents during the pandemic. (d) West Felton Royal British Legion – Nothing was added to the report as it had been a very quiet year due to the pandemic. (e) St Michael's Parish Church – It was also reported that the current curate will be leaving to start a new post in Telford at the beginning of May; and that money from the sale of School House has been very well invested, allowing the church to give £1,000 a year to the school (the headteacher advised that this has been very useful in the purchase of phonics books).

	<p>(f) Village Magazine – One of the committee members present thanked Pat Mabe for editing the magazine for many years and thanked the new editor, Colleen Hughes, for taking over as editor. She commented that the magazine is an invaluable service to the community.</p> <p>(g) West Felton WI</p> <p>(h) Carnival Committee – It was noted that sadly it will not be possible to hold the carnival again this year due to the pandemic.</p>
6.21	<p>ANNUAL WRITTEN REPORT FROM SHROPSHIRE COUNCILLOR STEVE CHARMLEY The report was NOTED.</p>
7.21	<p>PARISH MATTERS/OPEN FORUM – electors of the parish were invited to comment and ask questions on the following:</p> <p>a) Dog fouling – a brief discussion took place about dog fouling in the parish</p> <p>b) Any other parish affairs – a comment was made that the bin in the playing field was overflowing.</p>
8.21	<p>CLOSE The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 8:35pm.</p>

Chairman's Signature *D Walker*

Dated *27 April 2022*