

WEST FELTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of a meeting of WEST FELTON PARISH COUNCIL held on TUESDAY 13 August 2019 at 7:30pm in West Felton Methodist Church Hall.

CHAired BY: Cllr David Walker

CLERKED BY: Rosemary Wood

PARISH COUNCILLORS PRESENT: David Walker, Roger Hampson, Carole Coles, Ed Nicholas, Alison Ollier

ALSO PRESENT: None

61.19	<p>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Apologies for absence received and APPROVED: Cllrs David Curtis (business meeting), Marian Hesketh (holiday), Chris Jones (work commitments), Kay Kynaston (illness), Pat Mabe (social engagement), Dianne Barnes (personal reasons) Apologies were also received from PCSO Charlie Iremonger Absent: None</p>
62.19	<p>DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS AND ANY OTHER INTERESTS IN THE AGENDA ITEMS a) Declaration of any disclosable pecuniary interest in a matter to be discussed at the meeting and which is not included in the register of interests. None received. b) To consider any applications for dispensation. None received. c) Declaration of any other interests in the agenda items. None received.</p>
63.19	<p>MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 9 JULY 2019 It was RESOLVED to confirm the above minutes as a true record and the Chairman was instructed to sign them as such.</p>
64.19	<p>PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION No Members of the Public were present.</p>
65.19	<p>REPORTS RECEIVED: a) Police – The Clerk read a report of last month’s five reported incidents, which included loose dogs, loose cows, theft from a vehicle and suspicious circumstances. b) Shropshire Council – Cllr Steve Charmley not present c) Other Reports - None</p>
66.19	<p>FINANCE a) Bank Reconciliation as at 25 July 2019 – It was RESOLVED to approve the Bank Reconciliation and the current bank statement was signed by two of the authorised signatories. b) Income received – None c) Outstanding Payments – It was RESOLVED to pay the following invoice and two of the authorised signatories were instructed to check the supporting paperwork to the cheques raised before authorising payment: Rosemary Wood, Clerk’s net pay July 2019 (£583.44) (Chq Nos 1581/2) d) Other income/invoices received after agenda sent out - It was RESOLVED to pay the following invoice and two of the authorised signatories were instructed to check the supporting paperwork to the cheque raised before authorising payment: Graham Taylor, grounds maintenance 13 May 2019 to 12 August 2019 (£1,065)(incl VAT £177.50) (Chq No 1585)</p>
67.19	<p>PLANNING MATTERS a) The following Planning Applications notified by Shropshire Council were considered:</p>

	<p>(i) Ref: 19/00094/FUL (second reconsultation due to further amendment) (extension of consultation granted to 16 August) Address: <u>The Threshing Barn, Woolston Road</u>, West Felton, Oswestry SY11 4LB Proposal: Erection of Stable Block It was RESOLVED to submit a representation that the Parish Council are willing to withdraw their objections regarding the rights of way and proximity to the scheduled ancient monument, provided that any grant of planning permission is made subject to the conditions recommended by the Consultees to ensure that the footpaths are fully retained and the character and setting of The Mound is properly protected.</p> <p>(ii) Ref: 19/02865/FUL (validated 11 July 2019)(extension of consultation granted to 16 August) Address: <u>Abbotsmoor Farm, Haughton</u>, West Felton, Oswestry SY11 4HF Proposal: Erection of an extension to an agricultural building to provide ground source heat pumps, heat exchange and fans associated with crop drying and all associated works. It was RESOLVED to submit a representation that the Parish Council supports the application.</p> <p>(iii) Ref: 19/03203/FUL (validated 17 July 2019) Address: <u>Tedsmore Lodge Farm</u>, West Felton, Oswestry SY11 4JS Proposal: Erection of two storey extensions to side and rear elevations; internal alterations. It was RESOLVED to submit a representation that the Parish Council supports the application.</p> <p>(iv) Ref: 19/02744/FUL (validated 24 July 2019) Address: <u>Barn at Bank Farm, Tedsmore</u>, West Felton, Shropshire Proposal: Conversion to traditional barn to a single dwelling, installation of septic tank and formation of new access. It was RESOLVED to submit a representation that the Parish Council supports the application.</p> <p>b) The following Planning Decisions were NOTED:</p> <p>(i) Ref: 19/02249/TPO Address: <u>Church of St Michael</u>, Woolston Road, West Felton Proposal: To remove 1 branch overhanging garage on property at The Byre of 1No Lyme Tree protected by Shropshire Council (Land at and around Church of St Michael, Woolston Road, West Felton) TPO 2012 Decision: Grant Permission</p> <p>(ii) Ref: 19/02227/VAR Address: <u>West Felton C of E School</u>, Grimpo Road, West Felton SY11 4JR Proposal: Variation of Condition No 1 attached to planning permission 09/70159/FUL dated 18 May 2009 to allow for the retention of the demountable accommodation for a further temporary period of ten years. Decision: Grant Permission</p> <p>c) Planning Correspondence and any Planning Applications and Decisions received after the agenda was sent out – The following planning application was considered: Ref: 19/03535/FUL (validated 8 August 2019) Address: <u>Ivy Farm, Grimpo Road</u>, West Felton, Oswestry Proposal: Formation of roof over existing slurry store and associated works It was RESOLVED to submit a representation that the Parish Council supports the application.</p>
68.19	<p>HIGHWAYS</p> <p>a) Road closures for NOTING: Highways England are to carry out resurfacing and other works from 25 September to 12 October on the A5 between Queens Head and Mile End and Mile End and Five Crosses, to include night closures (20:00 to 6:00, Mon to Fri) (including three nights from Queens Head to Mile End) and a diversion through Whittington from Queens Head to Gledrid.</p> <p>b) Other highway issues - The Clerk reported the following for NOTING:</p> <p>(i) Overgrown hedges on The Avenue (ref 54.19(b)) – Following a request to a resident by Shropshire Council Highways, the hedges had been trimmed, but were still obstructing the footpath, so Highways had been contacted again with a request to approach the resident a second time.</p> <p>(ii) Overgrown trees on A5, Queens Head – Highways England had inspected the junction and reported no problems surrounding visibility.</p>

69.19	<p>PARISH GROUNDS & ASSETS</p> <p>a) Burial Ground Maintenance – The monthly report from the contractor was NOTED, including details of mole activity.</p> <p>b) Playing Field Maintenance – The monthly report from the contractor was NOTED. The Clerk reported ongoing difficulties finding a mole catcher willing to deal with the problem during the summer months and it was RESOLVED to postpone the matter until the autumn.</p> <p>c) Queens Head LED Streetlighting – The Clerk reported that Scottish Power had not yet connected the lights to the mains electricity.</p> <p>d) Bench at Grimpo Common – The Clerk reported that she had been informed by the Highways Maintenance Manager from Shropshire Council Environmental Maintenance that they do not have a budget to provide a bench on the site and that they are not the relevant party to grant permission for the Parish Council to do so and also that they are unable to advise as to who should be approached to obtain permission. It was RESOLVED to proceed with the purchase and installation of a bench at a maximum cost of £300 (including installation costs and VAT) from CIL Neighbourhood Fund; this being subject to the Clerk informing the Highways Maintenance Manager in writing that the Parish Council intend to proceed with this unless any objection is received within seven days and the Clerk receiving no such objection.</p> <p>e) Bus Shelter seating – The Clerk reported that the Tedsmore Road shelter had been installed. She presented options for a seat in the Punch Bowl shelter which will be further considered at the September Council meeting.</p>
70.19	<p>PARISH MATTERS</p> <p>a) Parish Plan update – The Working Group had not met since the last Parish Council meeting, due to the holiday season. A meeting will be arranged for the autumn.</p> <p>b) Smartwater – It was reported that Smartwater had approached the Parish Council offering to upgrade the signage at no cost to the Parish Council. It was RESOLVED to proceed with any recommendations.</p>
71.19	<p>POLICIES & PROCEDURES</p> <p>The following Burial Ground matters were discussed and it was RESOLVED to defer any decisions until the September Council meeting:</p> <p>a) Pre purchase of plots</p> <p>b) Fees</p>
72.19	<p>CONSULTATIONS & SURVEYS</p> <p>The following were considered:</p> <p>a) Rural Bus Services campaign – It was RESOLVED to submit the following proposals: (1) A bus service (perhaps every other bus) direct to the Royal Shrewsbury Hospital throughout the day for appointments and visiting, including evening visits; (2) A direct bus service from West Felton to the Orthopaedic Hospital and to Gobowen station; and (3) Buses from SCAT to connect with the West Felton bus service from Raven Meadows.</p> <p>b) Shropshire Council Rural Survey 2019 – It was RESOLVED not to complete corporately and left for individual Members to complete.</p>
73.19	<p>CLERK'S REPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS</p> <p>a) SALC Training – It was RESOLVED to approve the following requests to attend training:</p> <p>(i) Be a better Councillor, 10am-4pm, 2 September at Shirehall (also 26 September in Telford) – no request</p> <p>(ii) Budget Setting, 5:30–7:30pm, 24 September at Shirehall – no request</p> <p>(iii) Fundamentals for Councillors, 5-7:30pm, 3 October at Shirehall – no request</p> <p>(iv) CiLCA Session 1, 9:30am–2:30pm, 4 October at Shirehall – Clerk to attend</p> <p>(v) Website Regulations, New Web Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG 2.1), 2-4pm on 30 October at Shirehall (Cllr Walker already booked to attend)</p> <p>b) Rural Crime Prevention evening, 7pm, 23 August at Ruyton XI Towns Village Hall – Cllr Hesketh to attend</p> <p>c) Other - The Clerk reported the following:</p> <p>(i) Queens Head streetlights – A resident had asked her to convey his thanks to the Council for the</p>

	<p>new streetlights.</p> <p>(ii) West Felton School expansion project – Cllr Curtis had asked her to report that the agents for the land owners have advised that the land owners are unwilling to sell the land that the school had hoped to build on. A meeting is currently being arranged to discuss what other options may be available to assist the school. Meanwhile, the CIL technical check form has been received from Shropshire Council and is being completed by Cllr Curtis.</p> <p>(iii) Smartwater kit requests – Cllr Walker volunteered to deliver kits to two residents who had requested them.</p>
74.19	<p>NEXT MEETING</p> <p>It was NOTED that the next meeting of the Parish Council is to be held on Tuesday 10 September 2019 at 7:30pm in West Felton Methodist Church Hall.</p>

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the Meeting at 9:55pm.

Chairman's Signature *M J Hesketh*

Dated *10 September 2019*