

Wrockwardine Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 13th October 2021 Held at Admaston House, Admaston at 7.30p.m

Present: Cllr Mrs E Anderson (Chairwoman)
Cllr Mr P Cooper (Vice-Chairman)
Cllr Mrs E Ballantyne
Cllr Mr K Ballantyne
Cllr P Bevis
Cllr Mrs J Savage
Cllr G Thomas
Cllr Miss K Tonks

In Attendance: Borough Cllr Miss J Seymour
Ms J Hancox (Clerk)
Mr Barry Cartwright (SID volunteer)
5 members of the public

21/134 Welcome by the Chairwoman
The Chairwoman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

21/135 Apologies for absence
None

21/136 Declaration of Interests & Dispensations
a) Pecuniary – Cllr’s Mr & Mrs Ballantyne declared an interest in 21/142 Finance.
b) Personal – Cllr’s Mr & Mrs Ballantyne declared an interest in 21/142 Finance.

21/137 Public Session
Mr Cartwright asked the Parish Council to consider the protection of Wrockwardine Playing Fields as some vandalism with food had taken place. The Council advised contacting the police in the first instance which could then instigate more patrols in the area. Mr Cartwright said that he would contact Sian Thomas at West Mercia Police.

One member of the public asked the Council to support the Long Lane community to get the speed limit decreased from 60 mile an hour to 40 mile an hour. Item on the agenda for discussion at 21/144(2)

One member of the public advised the Council of future planning applications for Wrockwardine Farm and adjacent buildings and outlined plans for a sympathetic development to fit in with the conservation area and improve the visual appearance.

21/138 To confirm and agree the Minutes of the Previous Meeting
It was **RESOLVED** to confirm and sign the Minutes of the Council Meeting, held on Wednesday 8th September 2021, as a true record.
[Proposer: Cllr Tonks; Seconder: Cllr Savage; Vote: Abstained 1, Agreed 5]

21/139 To confirm and agree the Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting

It was **RESOLVED** to confirm and sign the Minutes of the Extraordinary Council Meeting, held on Monday 27th September 2021, as a true record.

[Proposer: Cllr Bevis; Seconder: Cllr Tonks; Vote: Abstained 3, Agreed 3]

21/140 Borough Councillor's Report

Cllr Seymour thanked the Council for holding the Extraordinary Meeting regarding the planning application and updated Members that the discussed application would be determined at Telford & Wrekin Council's Plans Board on 20th October 2021, due to its controversial nature. Cllr Seymour advised that the Council's Ward Fund Application had been approved and the Chairwoman thanked Cllr Seymour on behalf of the Council. Cllr Seymour advised the Council that any comments about the appeal against the planning application for The Mound at Haygate Fields should be made to the Planning Inspectorate.

21/141 Planning**1. Permissions & Refusals**

Members noted the following permissions and refusals:

TWC/2021/0687	Donnerville Farmhouse, Wellington Rd, Admaston	Erection of 2 storey side & rear extension, single storey rear extension & erection of a balcony	Full Granted
TWC/2021/0750	Rushmoor Stud, Rushmoor Lane	Erection of pergola	Full Granted
TWC/2021/0785	12 Aldermead Close, Admaston	Erection of 1 st flr front extension & single storey rear extension	Full Granted
TWC/2021/0811	Primrose House, 11 Rushmoor Lane, Rushmoor	Felling of 1no. Alder tree	Tree preservation Order Granted
TWC/2021/0515	Land Adjacent Arleston House, Cluddley Lane, Cluddley	Erection of 2no. dwellings with associated landscaping & parking	Full Granted

2. New Applications

Member's **RESOLVED** to make the following comments:

TWC/2021/0901	Land southwest of Rushmoor Lodge, Rushmoor Lane	Creation of vehicular access & erection of a close boarded fence & gate	No comment
TWC/2021/0946	126 Lewis Crescent, Wellington	Erection of a rear detached single garage	No comment

TWC/2021/0887 Site of Charlton Barns, Bluebell Lane, Charlton – Conversion of residential unit, workshop & storage to 1no. dwelling (retrospective)

Following a debate on the grounds with which the Parish Council could object to applications, it was **RESOLVED** to make the following comment: "The Parish Council is unhappy that yet again there is another retrospective planning application being made after the work has been completed. The comments the Parish Council made for application TWC/2021/0853 apply here also."

[Proposer: Cllr Cooper; Seconder: Cllr Thomas; Vote: Unanimous]

ENF/2020/0638 Land North of Haygate Road, Wellington

Following discussion, Members **RESOLVED** to "Object" and support the Mound being removed.

Members agreed for the Clerk to contact Mr J Pattinson of the Haygate Fields Liaison Group to obtain

suitable wording for the comments to be submitted.
[Proposer: Cllr Anderson; Seconder: Cllr Cooper; Vote: Unanimous]

Cllr Thomas left the meeting at 8.21p.m

21/142 Finance

a) Accounts for payment in October

It was **RESOLVED** to approve these.

[Proposer: Cllr Mr Ballantyne; Seconder: Cllr Savage; Vote: Unanimous]

b) Bank Reconciliation for September

It was **RESOLVED** to accept this.

(Proposer: Cllr Tonks; Seconder: Cllr Mrs Ballantyne; Vote: Unanimous]

c) External Audit – Council was asked to note the receipt of the completed audit with no matters raised. Cllr Mr Ballantyne proposed a vote of thanks to the Clerk for this successful outcome and this was **RESOLVED**.

[Proposer: Cllr Mr Ballantyne; Seconder: Cllr Mrs Ballantyne; Vote: Unanimous]

Cllr Thomas returned to the meeting at 8.27p.m

21/143 Informal Working Group

The Chairwoman gave a verbal update on the informal meeting held on 15th September 2021. Work identified would be circulated to Members and the Chairwoman and the Clerk would pull these together to formulate a draft Parish Plan which could cover the next 5-10 years.

21/144 Traffic

- 1. Admaston Scheme Update** – Cllr Mr Ballantyne gave a brief update on the proposals put forward by Telford & Wrekin Council. Matt Powell (T&W) had responded to the queries raised and this would be pursued with the department, realistically in the New Year now. The Chairwoman thanked Cllr Mr Ballantyne for his hard work and perseverance working on this scheme.
- 2. Long Lane Traffic** – The Chairwoman acknowledged the representation made on behalf of residents in the Public Session and, Members discussed the issue of the 60-mile speed limit through Long Lane as opposed to the 40-mile speed limit through other villages in the vicinity.

Standing Orders suspended

Cllr Seymour advised that the decision regarding speed ultimately falls with the police.

Standing orders reinstated

Cllr Mr Ballantyne suggested that the police be invited to a future Parish Council meeting to obtain their views and to advise of road traffic accident history as this is what determines change.

Standing Orders suspended

A member of the public spoke again about the issue and the risk of a serious incident occurring along the road.

Standing Orders reinstated

Members **RESOLVED** to invite the police to a future meeting to listen to the concerns of residents.

[Proposer: Cllr Mr Ballantyne; Seconder: Cllr Anderson; Vote: Unanimous]

It was further **RESOLVED** to formally support the residents in pursuing a change to the speed limits through appropriate representations to the appropriate authorities at the appropriate times.

[Proposer: Cllr Anderson; Seconder: Cllr Savage; Vote: Unanimous]

3. **SID Statistics** – Members noted the data (Appendix 1)

Standing orders suspended

Mr Cartwright was asked for his interpretation of the data and he advised that the drop of traffic through Wrockwardine could be attributed to the road through Allscott Meads re-opening and was evidence that closures there did seriously affect the volume of traffic through the village.

Standing orders reinstated

4. **Proposed Speed Order for Wrockwardine** - The details were noted and Members **RESOLVED** to support the proposals.

[Proposer: Cllr Anderson; Seconder: Cllr Bevis; Vote: All]

21/145 White Ribbon Accreditation

A report from Cllr Tonks was circulated prior to the meeting (Appendix 2). Following a debate and discussion around support for all victims of violence Member's **RESOLVED** that, subject to clarification that Council had the power to pay an accreditation fee, the Clerk be instructed to sign up to the scheme and obtain accreditation.

[Proposer: Cllr Tonks; Seconder: Cllr Cooper; Vote: Unanimous]

21/146 Dog Control Public Space Protection Order Consultation

Member's **RESOLVED** answers to the very short, online questionnaire and asked the Clerk to submit them.

[Proposer: Cllr Mr Ballantyne; Seconder: Cllr Tonks; Vote: Unanimous]

21/147 Ward Funding

It was noted with disappointment by Members that the decision to award £2,500 by the Borough Councillor for the Admaston & Bratton Ward to the Parish Council had now been withdrawn and the monies had been allocated to the continuing development of Admaston House.

21/148 Grant Applications

None received

21/149 Correspondence

1. **Request to investigate change of use on a Planning Application** – Members noted the request but felt it was not necessary to get involved given that the matter had already been reported to the relevant Planning Authority for investigation.

Cllr Mrs Ballantyne raised the matter of the co-option of an additional councillor, the applicant being present in the public gallery. Following discussion, it was agreed that the applicant should be given the opportunity to speak and following this Cllr Mr Ballantyne proposed that Mrs Rebecca Eade be co-opted on to the Council. The proposal was seconded by Cllr Mr Cooper and it was unanimously **RESOLVED** that Mrs Eade be co-opted to the office of Parish Councillor for the Admaston & Bratton Ward.

21/150 Date of the next meeting

It was confirmed that the next meeting would be held on **Wednesday 10th November 2021 at 7.30p.m at Admaston House, (Bratton Room)**

The meeting closed at 9.26p.m

Signed: _____ *E Anderson* _____ (Chairman)

Date _____ *10th November 2021* _____

Wrockwardine Parish Council

Item 21/142

Finance

a) Accounts for Payment October 2021

Payee	Description	Net	VAT	Cost
Tesco Mobile	Mobile Phone	7.50	00	7.50
E-On	Street Light Repair	142.36	28.47	170.83
E-On	Street Light Repair	138.79	27.76	166.55
Scribe	Accounting Software	468.00	93.60	561.60
BC	SID Management	200.00	00	200.00
PKF Littlejohn	Audit Fees	300.00	60.00	360.00
Telford Tree Services	Pruning Pemberton Road	180.00	00	180.00
Barclaycard	Safepoint/Norton Security/Stationery	54.85	10.97	65.82
Various	Staff Costs	2,236.46	1.36	2,237.82
E-On	Lighting Supply	378.52	75.70	454.22
IdVerde	Grass Cutting	585.55	117.11	702.66
	Total payments	4,692.03	414.97	5,107.00

b) Bank Reconciliation September 2021

Unity Current A/C Balance 1/9/2021	59,983.02
Payments made in September	6,687.94
Receipts September 2021 – Precept	38,500.00
Balance 30/9/21	91,795.08
Current Account Bank Statement 111	91,795.08

All Banks available spend 13th October 2021 (approximate)

Current Account after payments October	86,688.08
Savings Account (Statement 91)	56,618.84
Building Society 90 Day + receipt	70,966.32
Total	214,273.24
Minus earmarked reserves	54,039.00
Minus Allocated Budget 2021/22 Balance at 6/9/21Total	56,108.00
Approximate spend available	104,126.24

Signed: J Hancox

Date: 13th October 2021

Clerk & Responsible Finance Officer

Appendix 1
Item 21/144(3)
SID Statistics Oct 2021

Location/Direction	From	To	No. over speed limit	Days at location	Daily Average vehicles over speed limit	Notes
Shawbirch Road, Admaston, North east	8/6/21	15/6/21	14,324	7	2,046	
Shawbirch Road, Admaston, South West	16/6/21	1/7/21	15,714	15	1,046	
The Avenue, Wrockwardine, West Bound	2/7/21	12/7/21	116	12	9	
The Avenue, Wrockwardine, East Bound	13/7/21	9/8/21	615	25	25	Road closed at Alscott
Shawbirch Rd, Admaston, South West	10/8/21	23/8/21	16,173	13	1,242	
Shawbirch Rd, Admaston, North east	24/8/21	6/9/21	7,690	13	513	Contractors traffic lights by SID calmed traffic
Wellington Rd, Admaston, North West	7/9/21	20/9/21	13,070	13	1,006	
Wellington Road, Admaston, South East	21/9/21	4/10/21	4,851	13	372	Road re-opened at Walcott

Appendix 2

Wrockwardine Parish Council – 13th October 2021

Item 12: White Ribbon Accreditation

White Ribbon Supporters

Purpose

The purpose of this report is for Wrockwardine Parish Council to consider becoming White Ribbon UK Supporters.

Background

Violence against women is a serious, prevalent and preventable issue. With recent high-profile cases such as that of Sarah Everard and Sabina Nessa, it is important that public bodies acknowledge the issues and take a stand against this violence. Many Borough, Town and Parish Councils are showing their support by becoming White Ribbon ambassadors and supporters. Public sector bodies achieving White Ribbon supporter status can demonstrate they are meeting the Public Sector Equality Duty under the Equality Act 2010. Small organisations can show their commitment to ending male violence against women by becoming a White Ribbon Supporter Organisation which involves agreeing to take 7 actions that will raise awareness and show that you are working to end violence.

Actions

The actions include:

- Encouraging all staff to make the White Ribbon Promise to never commit, excuse or remain silent about male violence against women;
- Recruiting at least one volunteer male White Ribbon Ambassador (or woman Champion if there are no male staff who can undertake this role);
- Hold at least one awareness raising event or activity a year; (Cllr Tonks to organise)
- Ensuring that women who are experiencing violence know where to get help;
- Wear a White Ribbon and display it when appropriate – especially around White Ribbon Day, 25th November;
- Post the ‘White Ribbon Supporter’ badge on your website;
- Ensure you have policies or protocols in place if your staff or customers disclose that they are a victim of violence;

Cost

There is a one-off cost of £99 to gain supporter status which goes towards the work White Ribbon UK do towards ending violence against women and girls.

Proposal

Councillors to consider becoming an official White Ribbon UK supporter

Cllr K. Tonks