

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BLYMHILL AND WESTON-UNDER-LIZARD
PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT THE BLYMHILL HILL AND WESTON UNDER LIZARD
VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30 PM ON MONDAY 7 NOVEMBER 2016**

PRESENT: Cllr D L Maddocks (Chairman)
Cllr M Stokes (Deputy Chairman)
Cllr G Carter
Cllr B Cambridge
Cllr P D Maddocks
Cllr D McCowan

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr P Delaloye – Parish Clerk
Cllr M Sutton – Staffordshire County Council
Cllr R A Wright – South Staffordshire District Council

APOLOGIES: Cllr A J T Lowe
Cllr N Parton
Cllr B J W Cox – South Staffordshire District Council

1887 **DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

None

1888 **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 09.05.15 be approved as a correct record.

1889 **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

Parish Clerk to check and resend the Email regarding the Bridal Path by lane near to the Lower Brockhurst Barn Conversions and the list regarding sign posts to Cllr M Sutton.

No other matters Arising from the previous meeting were recorded

1890 **REPORT OF The COUNTY COUNCILLOR**

Cllr M Sutton reported

- Staffordshire looking for 150 Foster Carers over the next 12 months- presently there are 950 children in care.

- Brewood Library is now run completely by 30 volunteers running at the same opening hours as previously done.
- Unemployment in this ward is 0.04% of the population and lowest in South Staffordshire if not the whole County.
- The Parish Council can have £2,000 from his Community allowance once the paper work completed to go to a solar powered Speed limit sign for the East bound traffic going into West under Lizard by the Saw Mill, the rest of the cost to be paid by the Parish Council.
- There is to be reflective markers and signage for the turn from the A5 to Blymhill just opposite the parking layby near the Bradford Arms. There has been a delay due to a fuel pipeline and are awaiting authorisation.
- Highways have again said that in the same area that the road does not meet the criteria for double white lines as there is good visibility.
- The proposed Freight Hub at 4 Ashes meeting, that was to be held the previous week was cancelled as needed more information on the application before it could be held. The Freight Hub proposal to the Secretary of State had been replied to and another proposal was required next year (2017).

Cllr M Sutton then left to attend another Parish Council meeting.

1891 **REPORT OF THE SOUTH STAFFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCILLORS**

Cllr R Wright reported

- That SSDC were potentially going to use more of the grassed area around the Council Offices as parking as this was becoming an issue for them.
- With regard to the proposed Freight Hub, as it was a strategic development to the government the Planning application is dealt with by the Secretary of State and not the District or County Council, but will inform us when Blymhill and Weston can put objections in.

1892 **VISITORS REGARDING THE PROPOSED FREIGHT HUB**

There were 2 members of the Stop the Freight Hub Campaign who gave more information on the proposal.

- The Freight Hub company had given 2 site options to the Inspectorate
- Secretary of States Inspectorate had responded to the initial proposal with a 153 page document with a number of challenges to the proposal.
- New proposal has to be in for February 2017
- The Freight Hub proposal could include warehousing that could make up more of the proposal for the area than the Rail content and could involve thousands of jobs and be a 24 hour per day operation.
- Other areas in Staffordshire want Rail Freight Hubs such as Stoke and Burneston near Derby.
- They requested support and for the Parish Council to be part of the Campaigns' Collective.
- The visitors then left for the Parish Council to discuss the matter further.
- Following discussions it was decided that the Parish Council needed more information on what the actual proposal and application was going to contain and what potential effects on the road infrastructure before it

could make any decision on what it was to do and what the Campaigns' Collective support would also involve and if it would join that as well.

1893 **PLAY AREAS**

Cllr G Carter reported that he had seen the Bradford Estates over the path through the Weston under Lizard Play Area that narrowed due to it becoming overgrown from the sides. This had been cleared.

Cllr G Carter wanted to put some proposals forward regarding the Play area as well for which initially Cllr D Maddocks agreed to meet him and then they would report back at the January meeting.

1894 **FOOTPATHS AND HIGHWAYS**

Cllr M Stokes reported:

- that the style at the Gatherwynd outside Gatherwynd Cottage needed replacing.
- That the Man hole cover at Blymhill Lawn was still broken

RESOLVED: The Parish Clerk was asked to email Cllr M Sutton with both items

1895 **PLANNING MATTERS**

Planning Application considered by Parish Council since the meeting held on 5th September 2016

Consultation on a notification of intent to carry out works to trees within a conservation area that was validated on 26th September 2016

The above notification is now at consultation stage and can be viewed on the following link <http://www.sstaffs.gov.uk/Default.aspx?page=17796> by adding in the application number 16/00876/TREE. If you have any concerns on the application I shall be pleased to receive these in writing or by email on or before 10th October 2016.

Application No: 16/00902/FUL Proposal: The removal of the existing 12 metre high replica telegraph pole for a 13 metre high Alpha monopole, the installation of a Komodo cabinet, measuring 1230 x 400 x 1542mm, located at ground level, and associated development.
Location: Telecommunications Site 63817 Bradford Building Depot Watling Street Weston Under Lizard Shifnal South Staffordshire TF11 8

Application No: 16/00949/FUL Proposal: Retention of agricultural store building Location: Uplands Farm Bun Lane Great Chatwell Shifnal South Staffordshire TF10 9BN

Planning Applications to be Considered by the Parish Council

Nil

Planning Applications approved or refused by South Staffordshire Council since the meeting held on 5th September 2016

SSDC Planning Approvals, Validation and Enforcement Emails sent to all Parish Councillors when received.

**** Street Trading Consent Application from Mr Daniel Burton (D.O.B. 17/6/81) for a mobile food unit 'Zak's Diner' sited in a layby of the A5 near Weston-u-Lizard (opposite Bradford Arms). Planning consent has been granted.**

Any representations concerning the application must be made to the Licensing by 22nd September 2016.

The application is for a 12 month consent. – sent to all Councillors 9th September 2016.

1896 FINANCIAL MATTERS

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

Balance as at 05.09.2016 £21,576.93

Payments since meeting held on 5th September 2016 - to be confirmed
Nil

Payment Made as Approved since 5th September 2016

ROSPA Annual Playground Inspections	£239.40
Bradford Estates Blymhill Play area rent	£30.00
SSDC Ground Maintenance Quarter 1	£228.98

Payment to be Approved
Nil

Income received since Meeting held on 5th September 2016

Dividends	£0.00
Precept	£2480.00

Balance as at 07.11.2016 £23,223.55

Blymhill and Weston Under Lizard Parish Council Accounts
1st April 2016 to 31st March 2017

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT AS AT 9th MAY 2016

Balance in Account as at 1 April 2014 £20,821.16

Income since 1 April 2016

Consolidated 2.5% Dividend	£0.00
Parish Precept – 12 months	£4,960.00
Solar Panel Repayment	£1,600.00

Subtotal £6,560.00

TOTAL **£24,901.16**

Expenditure since 1st April 2014

SSDC Interest free loan (Village Hall) (2016)	£450.00
Zurich Parish Insurance	£345.83
Tower Mint Ltd (Queen Elizabeth memorial medals)	£247.80
Bradford Estates Blymhill Play area rent	£30.00
Parish Clerk Quarterly Fees	£600.00
Staffordshire Parish Council Association	£227.00
St Andrews Graveyard Committee	£800.00
SSDC Ground Maintenance Quarters 4 & 1	£267.58
Brewood and District Voluntary Car Scheme	£200.00
Blymhill and Weston Parish Magazine	£250.00
Weston under Lizard Institute Rooms via The Weston Club	
£150.00	
The Blymhill Churchyard Fund (St Mary's Churchyard)	£350.00
ROSPA Annual Playground Inspections	£239.40

Total **£4,157.61**

Funds as at 7th November 2016 **£23,223.55**

Certified Annual Return, dated 28th September 2016 from Grant Thornton the Auditors was received for April 2015 to March 2016 and as Income and expenditure was below £10,000 there is no fee incurred.

1897 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Cllr G Carter volunteered to attend the Parish Summit at the SSDC Council Houses and report back at the next Parish Council Meeting
Cllr M Stokes said that Fly Tipping was becoming more of an issue since Telford and Wrekin had closed their Waste Tip at Red Hill and what could be done about it. Cllr R Wright responded by saying that if it was on Public land report it to the District Council if it has been placed on to private land, such as a farmers land, then that person has to dispose of it at a tip.
Cllr G Carter asked if there was any news on the Village Hall extension ?
Cllr D Maddocks responded that nothing had come back.

1898 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED: That the next meeting of the Parish Council be held on Monday January 9th 2017 at 7.30 pm at the Blymhill and Weston under Lizard Village Hall.

Dates for 2017

Monday January 9th 2017, Monday March 6th 2017, Monday May 8th 2017, Monday September 11th 2017 and Monday November 13th 2017

Signed.....

(Chairman)

Date:9th January2017.....