

**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 12 NOVEMBER 2012**

PRESENT: Cllr J B Cambidge
Cllr D L Maddocks (Chairman)
Cllr M Stokes
Cllr R Mayer

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr P Delaloye – Parish Clerk
Cllr R A Wright – South Staffordshire District Council
Cllr B J W Cox – South Staffordshire District Council

APOLOGIES: Cllr A J T Lowe
Cllr P D Maddocks
Cllr R Osborne
Cllr K C Stockley
Cllr R Roberts OBE – Staffordshire County Council

1650 **DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

None

1651 **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 12.11.2012 be approved as a correct Record.

1652 **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

No matters Arising from the previous meeting were recorded

1653 **V FESTIVAL**

Although unable to attend the meeting Cllr R Osborne had sent in a report for the V Festival meeting that he had attended on the 1st November on behalf of the Parish Council.

I attended the review meeting in the Council Offices. The Highlight points were as follows,

- The general view of the meeting was that this year was the best so far.
- A more sophisticated traffic management system has improved traffic flows.
- car movements were down, 11,000 people were moved by shuttle bus.
- An area for investigation and future improvement was the drop off and pick up points.
- There was a problem with the volume levels during one day but this was dealt with efficiently. The Council do not intend to pursue.
- crime numbers were down by 10%.
- Medical intervention was down by 15%.

Cllr D Maddocks reported that he had further letter and conversation following the last V Festival meeting regarding the complaint from Mr Colin Sweeney the Chief Executive of the Weston Park Foundation regarding Cllr A Lowe and that the matter had been dealt with and all Councillors knew that at outside meetings they only represent the Parish Council's views no one-else's.

1654 **REPORT OF DISTRICT COUNCILLORS**

Cllr R Wright reported - that due to the governments cutting of benefits by 10% this was going to have to be passed on. This will mean that some who do not at present have to pay any Council Tax will have to pay some and those who only pay a small amount will have to pay more, this would start April / May 2013.

Cllr B Cox reported - that the Core Strategy Plan had been signed off to 2018 and was to be adopted by the full council. Once this was done it would take precedence over the National Plan.

Cllr B Cox reported – That the Application for planning permission for White Sitch had been refused by the South Staffordshire Planning Committee. The application had in gathering of evidence for the application had raised the issue that approximately 10 cars per hour were turning right off the A5 onto the Chester Road where there were no right turn signs. The Police have said they are going to monitor this closely as this was an accident Black spot and why the no right turn was put in place.

Cllr B Cox reported – That the Connect Bus Service has ont been used or even have anyone register to use it in the Blymhill and Weston under Lizard areas.

Cllr B Cox reported – V Festival had positive news as per Cllr R Osbornes report and that a lot more tickets were sold by using coach operators.

1655 **REPORT OF COUNTY COUNCILLOR**

No Report from Cllr R Roberts due to absence

1656 **BLYMHILL VILLAGE HALL AND CAR PARK**

Nothing was Reported

1657 **PLAY AREAS**

Nothing to report

1658 **FOOTPATHS AND HIGHWAYS**

It was requested that any Parishioner who has any issues regarding any footpaths or styles were yto contact the Parish Clerk.

It was commented that Stable lane crossroads off King Street was liable to Flood. Cllr R Wright said that he would obtain for the Parish Council the name of the new Highways Engineer to contact on this matter.

1659 **PLANNING MATTERS**

Cllr M Stokes was concerned that the Spanish Poly Tunnells had been given retrospective planning permission and was worried that this would happen again as the operation expanded. One of the reasons for this was that part of the production process was the irrigating of the plants under the Poly Tunnels and this results in a lot of water run-off into the roads bringing sediment onto them and causing blocking drains.

Cllr B Cox recommended contacting the SSDC once the hoops started to go up.

Planning Application considered by Parish Council since the meeting held on 12th November 2012

- 12/0216/FUL Application for the refurbishment/extension of existing Blacksmiths cottage for occupancy by a family change of use in existing footprint Wyndford Mill Farm Great Chatwell
- Amendment planning notification 12-00217-COU – Objection sent

Planning Applications to be Considered by the Parish Council

Nil

Planning Applications approved or refused by South Staffordshire Council since the meeting held on 12th November 2012

- 12/0056/FUL Application for the retention of Spanish Polytunnels for soft fruit production (retrospective)
- 12/0216/FUL Application for the refurbishment/extension of existing Blacksmiths cottage for occupancy by a family change of use in existing footprint Wyndford Mill Farm Great Chatwell
- 12/00736/LBC Grant of Listed Building consent for replacement of glazing in the Orangy Weston Hall Weston Park.

1660 **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

Balance as at 10.09.2012
£1906.30

Payments since meeting held on 10th September 2012 - to be confirmed

Audit Commission	£192.00
Stationary	£15.19

Payment Made as Approved since 10th September 2012

Quarterly Clerks Fee	£250.00
South Staffordshire Playing fields Association	£15.00
Bradfield Estate Playing field rent	£15.00
SSDC Grounds Maintenance	£120.64

Payment to be Approved

Nil

Income received since Meeting held on 10th September 2012

Precept	£2300.00
Income from Consoles	£0.66
Balance as at 12.11.2012	£3,599.79

It was proposed by Cllr B Cambidge and seconded by Cllr M Stokes to increase the Precept from £4,600 to £5,000 to cover increased costs. This was passed unanimously by all present.

It was proposed by Cllr B Cambidge and seconded by Cllr R Mayer to increase the Parish Clerks fee from £1,000 to £1,200 per annum. This was passed unanimously by all present.

Due to increasing costs for the Grounds Maintenance the Parish Clerk suggested getting quotes from companies to compare to the SSDC's costs with a view to change if economically viable. A request would be made to the SSDC for a breakdown/schedule of works so that like for Like quotes could be obtained.

Resolved Blymhill and Weston under Lizard Parish Council would increase the Precept from £4,600 to £5,000 and increase the Parish Clerks fee from £1,000 to £1,200 per annum.

The Parish Clerk would obtain quotes for the Parish's Grounds Maintenance once a schedule had been received.

1661 **PARISH COUCIL CODE OF PRACTICE**

The Parish Clerk sent reminders to all the councillors that had not completed and returned the Notification by Members of Blymhill and Weston under Lizard Parish Council of Disclosable Pecuniary and Other Interests to do so.

1662 **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Nil

The meeting was then closed.

1663 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

RESOLVED: That the next meeting of the Parish Council be held on Monday **7th January** 2013 at 7.30 pm at the Blymhill and Weston under Lizard Village Hall.

The following dates were also agreed upon for the Parish Council meetings in 2013:- 4th March, 13th May, 9th September and 11th November.

Signed.....
(Chairman)

Date:.....12 November 2012.....