

**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 WEDNESDAY 15 SEPTEMBER 2021**

PRESENT: Cllr D Maddocks (Chairman)  
Cllr V Cook  
Cllr D McGowan  
Cllr A Lowe  
Cllr N Parton

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

APOLOGIES:

Cllr B Cambidge  
Cllr M Stokes  
Cllr P Maddocks  
Cllr M Sutton – Staffordshire County Council  
Cllr V Jackson

3051 **DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

None

3052 **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

**RESOLVED:** That the minutes of the virtual meeting held on Monday 01.03.2019 be approved as a correct Record.

3053 **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

No matters Arising from the Parish Assembly were recorded  
No matters Arising from the previous meeting were recorded

3054 **REPORT OF The COUNTY COUNCILLOR**

Although Cllr M Sutton was unable to attend he sent this report

1. **I still have a community fund available.**  
Each county councillor has up to £2,500 to allocate for:
  - a. Projects to get Staffordshire's voluntary and community sector back to thriving, including initiatives that will help groups to develop or restart their own fundraising; or
  - b. Projects to help paused community activities get going again in a safe way; or
  - c. Projects looking to build on the community energy of the past year and keep it going, e.g. by transitioning new community networks into more formal community groups or Good Neighbour schemes. Link - [People Helping People Fund - Staffordshire County Council](#)
2. For those that use **Brewood Community Library**, it's now fully open again as per pre lock down hours.
3. **A5** – My personal experience of the A5 is that the new speed limit is working well.
4. **Boundary Commission Changes.** There are currently two Boundary commission reviews.

**Local Government.**.. this is likely to reduce the number of District Councillors in South Staffs by about 7 or 8, this will mean changes to ward boundaries in some cases and some wards will be bigger. The proposals will be out in November and will be consulted on. Link [South Staffordshire | LGBCE Site](#)

**Parliamentary boundaries.** – The proposal is that the Parish along with the north of South Staffordshire (district council area) would be part of a constituency covering, Brewood, Penkrige, Essington, Great Wyrley, Brocton, Walton, Great & little Hayward, north to and including Stone. Link [West Midlands | Boundary Commission for England \(independent.gov.uk\)](#)

There was then discussion on the A5 about the speed sign by Hatch Lane that it should be changed and the Parish Clerk was to contact the installers to get this done. Also regarding a volunteer group similar to those in Bishops Wood and Codsall Wood to man a speed gun. The Parish Clerk was to contact the Brewood and Bishops Wood Parish Clerk, whilst Cllr A Lowe said he knew someone involved with the Bishops Wood team and talk to them. He would also talk to the Chair of the Weston under Lizard's Action Group to see if there would be volunteers to lead this.

### 3055 REPORT OF THE DISTRICT COUNTY COUNCILLORS

- Cllr B Cox reported that Cllr Brian Edwards, the Leader of the Council had passed away as well as another District Councillor.
- Cllr Roger Lees is now Leader of the Council and 2 elections will take place in October
- 1 member has been removed from his party and has gone as an Independent
- The plans for the next 15 years are being gone through presently
- The build of the Council Office extension are nearly completed with the next stage soon to be started with potential tenants already lined up and all premises owned by the Council are rented and bring in money.

### 3056 PLAY AREAS

Cllr N Parton reported:

- Following the ROSPA report that some action needs to be taken:
    - Blymhill
      - To replace the top of the Swings
      - The Fence / Hedge by the road where a hole has appeared, to be repaired with a new fence
      - The bench quoted in the report had already been repaired by Ashley who maintains the play area in Blymhill.
    - Weston under Lizard
      - The Climbing Frame to be removed (this is in an area that the Bradford Estate was going to using previously and why they had given the newer area of the Paly area to the Parish Council to use as a play area, and the Swings and climbing frame were to have been removed at that point).
      - Fencing by the Field was in poor state, so the Parish Clerk was asked to contact the Bradford Estate to see if it could be replaced or repaired.
      - The Agility Trail, the steps going to the tunnel and the decking by the slide all to be repaired
      - The Swing's sets corroded to be replaced.
- It was all agreed that Cllr N Parton was authorized to organize and carry out all repairs and replacements.  
Parish Clerk was requested to send a letter to the Bradford Estates about this situation.



*cllr V Cook*

3057 **FOOTPATHS AND HIGHWAYS**

- ~~Cllr A Lowe~~ said residents had complained about the moss on the pavements on Beighterton Lane and Rectory Drive and that they had become dangerous. The Parish Clerk was asked to get quotes for its removal
- Cllr A Lowe also reported that he had been asked if a dropped kerb could be installed on the A5 by Beighterton Lane to enable easier access for prams wheel chairs etc to cross the A5. The Parish Clerk was asked to contact Stafford County Council on this matter

Most of the Councillors had issues with the number of Pot holes in the area, from Blymhill Lawn, Chatwell to Blymhill and Brineton by the new houses and the Chairman was asked if he had had any response from the letter he had sent to the new Cabinet Member for Highways in Staffordshire County Council, to which he had not received anything back and would chase it up.

3058 **PLANNING MATTERS**

**Planning Application considered by Parish Council since the meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> May 2021**

Application Number: 21/00359/LBC

Proposed: Replace single glazed windows into double glazed and replacement of existing conservatory with a new wooden frame and glass roof and wooden external doors

At: The Black And White House Blymhill Road Blymhill Staffordshire TF11 8LL

These can be viewed at <http://www.sstaffs.gov.uk/PublicAccess>. You can comment on the proposal via ConsulteeAccess (if you have registered) alternatively you can make comments via [planning@sstaffs.gov.uk](mailto:planning@sstaffs.gov.uk). As a result of the Freedom of Information Act, the Council now follow and "open file" policy, which means that the file and all of its papers and any letters are open for inspection by anyone, including the applicant and his/her agent, and copies can be taken at any time. Any comments must be made in writing and should reach me by 22 September 2021.

As/If this is a householder application, in the event of an appeal against a refusal of planning permission, which is to be dealt with on the basis of representations in writing, any representations made about this application will be sent to the Secretary of State, and there will be no further opportunity to comment at appeal stage.

Consultation on a notification of intent to carry out works to trees within a conservation area.

Proposal: Section 211 Conservation Area Notification. Pinus spp. (Pine) - Fell

The above application is now at consultation stage and can be viewed on the following link <https://planning.sstaffs.gov.uk/online-applications/> by adding in the application number 21/00937/TREE

If you have any concerns, comments or need further information please do not hesitate to contact us at [planning@sstaffs.gov.uk](mailto:planning@sstaffs.gov.uk) or telephone 01902 696000 on or before 21 September 2021.

Application No: 21/00804/FUL

Proposal: Erection of a single storey Oak framed Garden Room

Location: The Cottage Brockhurst Road Blymhill Lawn Staffordshire TF11 8ND

You can now view these documents online at PublicAccess Please respond with your observations by 25 August 2021 in writing, via ConsulteeAccess or email to [planning@sstaffs.gov.uk](mailto:planning@sstaffs.gov.uk),

Application No: 21/00668/FUL

Proposal: Demolition of conservatory, erection of two storey rear extension

Location: Blymhill View Blymhill Common Blymhill Common Staffordshire TF11 8JP

You can now view these documents online at PublicAccess Please respond with your observations by 22 July 2021 in writing, via ConsulteeAccess or email to [planning@sstaffs.gov.uk](mailto:planning@sstaffs.gov.uk),

Application No: 21/00664/FUL

Proposal: Change of use of land to equestrian, re-instatement of horse arena and erection of stable buildings.

Location: Ivetsey Bank Farm Ivetsey Bank Road Ivetsey Bank Staffordshire ST19 9QU

You can now view these documents online at PublicAccess Please respond with your observations by 21 July 2021 in writing, via ConsulteeAccess or email to [planning@sstaffs.gov.uk](mailto:planning@sstaffs.gov.uk),

Application No: 21/00359/LBC

Proposal: Replace single glazed windows into double glazed

Location: The Black And White House Blymhill Road Blymhill Staffordshire TF11 8LL

You can now view these documents online at PublicAccess Please respond with your observations by 2 July 2021 in writing, via ConsulteeAccess or email to [planning@sstaffs.gov.uk](mailto:planning@sstaffs.gov.uk),

Consultation on a notification of intent to carry out works to trees within a conservation area.

Proposal: Section 211 Conservation Area Notification. Remove a Sycamore

The above application is now at consultation stage and can be viewed on the following link <https://planning.sstaffs.gov.uk/online-applications/> by adding in the application number 21/00588/TREE If you have any concerns, comments or need further information please do not hesitate to contact us at [planning@sstaffs.gov.uk](mailto:planning@sstaffs.gov.uk) or telephone 01902 696000 on or before 23 June 2021.

**Planning Applications approved or refused by South Staffordshire District Council since the meeting held on 1st March 2021**

Planning Application of the change from Chicken Factory to residential premises has been refused

Local Plan Review Update for Parish Councils emailed to all councillors 26.04.2021

Cllr N Parton asked about the proposed new build at the Chicken Farm in Chatwell and whether they were going to appeal. Cllr D Maddocks said that they were not looking at appealing but maybe redeveloped again as a Chicken Farm.

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

3059 **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT**

20/94

Balance as at 19th May 2021 **£12,050.57**

**Payments since meeting held on 1st March 2021- to be confirmed**

Nil

**Payment Made as Approved since 1st March 2021**

Parish Clerk's Fee Quarter 1 & 2	£1,000.00
Zurich Insurance	£353.70
Town and Parish Council Websites – Parish Council Website, annual web hosting fee	£282.00
St Andrews Parish (Graveyard fund)	£800.00
Brewood and District Voluntary Car Scheme	£200.00
St Marys Parish Churchyard fund	£350.00
Blymhill and Weston Parish Magazine	£250.00
Weston Club – Institute rooms	£150.00

**Payment to be Approved**

Nil

**Income received since Meeting held on 1st March 2021**

Balance as at 15<sup>th</sup> September 2021 **£9164.87**

**Blymhill and Weston Under Lizard Parish Council Accounts**  
**1<sup>st</sup> April 2021 to 31st March 2022**

**STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT AS AT 31 March 2020**

**Funds at 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021 **£10,031.57****

**Income since 1 April 2020**

Parish Precept – 6 months **£2,750.00**

**Subtotal **£2,750.00****

**TOTAL **£12,781.57****

**Expenditure since 1<sup>st</sup> April 2020**

Staffordshire Parish Council Association Annual Subscription	£231.00
Parish Clerk's Fee Quarter 1 & 2	£1,000.00
Zurich Insurance	£353.70
Town and Parish Council Websites – Parish Council Website, annual web hosting fee	£282.00
St Andrews Parish (Graveyard fund)	£800.00
Brewood and District Voluntary Car Scheme	£200.00
St Marys Parish Churchyard fund	£350.00
Blymhill and Weston Parish Magazine	£250.00
Weston Club – Institute rooms	£150.00



Subtotal

£3616.70

Funds for 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021

£9,164.87

3060 **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Community Shop

- Cllr N Parton reported takings were still averaging at circa £600.
- Cllr D Maddocks reported that the volunteers were giving good ideas for the shop
- Cllr N Parton reported that they needed to get the wider community involved, possibly with a share scheme.
- Cllr V Cook asked if it was possible to do a delivery service to a central spot in Weston under Lizard on a prepaid basis.
- Cllr A Lowe asked how price sensitive it was, to which the response was that the Fresh veg was very competitive and local. While the Bread and Cheese was more expensive but was local artisan produce.
- There was also a request for more volunteers for the shop.

Correspondence

Cllr D Maddocks had had a reply to his letter which was read out at the meeting, to Weston Park regarding complaints that had been received, that residents, had not received notification of the Fireworks Competition event that had taken place earlier in the year. The response was also read out from Weston Park, was not thought to be that satisfactory. Cllr D McCowen reported that some people were still not getting notifications re Fireworks even after sending emails to Weston Park requesting notification. It was suggested that they resend those emails and request a receipt that they had been put on the notification list. Then if no notifications arrived more action could be taken as there was an email trail in place.

3061 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

**RESOLVED: That the next meeting of the Parish Council be held on 17th November 2021 at 7.30pm at the Blymhill and Weston under Lizard Village Hall.**

Signed.....

Deputy (Chairman)

Date: .....24th November 2021.....