**N)TES 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 26 January 2022**

PRESENT: Cllr D Maddocks (Chairman)

 Cllr V Cook

 Cllr A Lowe

 Cllr P Maddocks

 Cllr D McCowan (Vice Chairman)

 Cllr N Parton

 Cllr M Stokes

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr P Delaloye – Parish Clerk

 Cllr M Sutton – Staffordshire County Council

 Cllr B J W Cox – South Staffordshire District Council

APOLOGIES: Cllr V Jackson

Cllr D Maddocks opened the meeting

 **DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

 None

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

 **RESOLVED:** That the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday day 26.01.2022

 be approved as a correct Record.

**MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

* No matters arising from the previous meeting were recorded

**REPORT OF THE COUNTY COUNCILLOR**

 Cllr M Sutton reported:

* That following the Chancellors doubling of the Household Support Fund from £500m to £1 billion to help vulnerable households in the UK, Staffordshire County Council will know more about how it will give Council Tax assistance and help with fuel bills. The Council has already distributed £16 million.
* That for the coming tax year Community groups can again apply to get funding.- Cllr N Parton said that the Village shop needed some new shelving and signage. Cllr M Sutton responded that he would pass on the criteria to him.

**REPORT OF THE DISTRICT COUNTY COUNCILLORS**

 Cllr B Cox reported that:

* The Council Tax in South Staffordshire District Council was one of the loest in the country for the District Council would equate to £5.00.
* South Staffordshire District Council won the title of UK Council of the Year at a national awards ceremony by public sector awards body iESE, after its judging panel received more than 260 nominations from 81 different public sector organisations from the UK and

 overseas. The district council also won two Gold Awards the Asset Management and Regeneration Award category for its Community Hub project, and the Working Together Award category for its Localities+ model. This was due to the Council having good staff.

**PLAY AREAS**

 Cllr N Parton reported:

* Following the ROSPA annual audit of the Play Areas, actions to be undertaken at the Weston under Lizard Play Area and the Blymhill Play Area all items have been other than the installation of 2 new swing seats.
* Cllr N Parton also said that the Education Boards for the play areas to help children learn from play had been ordered. – Cllr D Maddocks thanked Cllr N Parton for the work carried out.
* Cllr V Cook asked if there was any news on the work that needs to be carried out on the Path. Cllr N Parton said that he was trying to contact the new person at Bradford Estates to find out what action was to be taken.

**FOOTPATHS AND HIGHWAYS**

* It was also raised previously there was a lot of leaves and debris on the path between Rectory Drive and the Play area, this had been cleared by South Staffordshire District Councils Street Scene.
* Cllr D Maddocks reported that A person has started clearing on of the Public Footpaths across Blymhill for the Princes Trust award.
* Cllr D Maddocks reported that the County Councils Road Master had been around Great Chatwell and had done a good job. Cllr M Sutton said that they had 2 of the machines but when it was wet they could not be used and when forecast to be icy those were the same staff that did the gritting so that took precedence.
* Cllr D Maddocks also reported that the Weston under Lizard Action Group had been asked if they would organize some Volunteers for a speed watch group for which the Parish Council would pay for training and equipment costs but had been told they were unable to do so.

**PLANNING MATTERS**

**Planning Application considered by Parish Council since the meeting held on** **26th January 2022**

APPLICATION UNDER SECTION 192 OF THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 (AS AMENDED)

FOR A CERTIFICATE OF LAWFULNESS OF A PROPOSED USE OR DEVELOPMENT.

Application Number: 22/00214/LUE

Proposed: Incorporation of land into the residential curtilage and use as garden land serving

Chestnut House, 7 Beighterton Farm Barns, Weston-Under-Lizard TF11 8JF

At: Chestnut House 7 Beighterton Farm Barns Beighterton Lane Weston Under Lizard Staffordshire TF11 8JF

**Planning Applications to be Considered by the Parish Council**

Nil

**Planning Applications approved or refused by South Staffordshire District Council since the meeting held on 26th January 2022**

Nil

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

**FINANCIAL MATTERS**

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

Balance as at 26th January 2022  **£8,950.66**

**Payments since meeting held on 26 January 2022 to be confirmed**

Nil

**Payment Made as Approved since 26 January 2022**

**Nil**

**Payment to be Approved**

Nil

**Income received since Meeting held on 26 January 2022**

Balance as at 23rd March 2022

**Blymhill and Weston Under Lizard Parish Council Accounts**

**1st April 2021 to 31st March 2022**

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

**Funds at 1st April 2021 £10,031.57**

Parish Precept – 12 months £5,500.00

**Subtotal £5500.00**

**TOTAL £15,531.57**

**Expenditure since 1st April 2020**

Staffordshire Parish Council Association Annual Subscription £231.00

Parish Clerk’s Fee Quarter 1, 2, 3 & 4 £2,000.00

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

South Staffordshire District Council Grounds Maintenance Quarters 1 and 2 £466.47

34/94

Expenses £74.94

Stocksigns Ltd New Battery, service and speed ltd change £1072.80

Beighterton Lane and Rectory Drive Moss Clearance -Haven Landscapes £350.00

**Subtotal £6580.91**

**Funds for 31st March 2021** **£8,950.66**

**ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

* Cllr N Parton reported that the Community Shop had been in existence now for 12 months and was holding its own.
* There was also a request for more volunteers for the shop and for more residents to try to use the shop..
* The Parish Clerk reported that he had not been able to get any traffic plans regarding the Bestival but when he had them he would circulate them.
* Cllr D McCowan reported that the Bradford Estate wished to make a presentation to the Parish Council and had supplied 3 dates. Cllr D Maddocks asked the Parish Clerk to circulate these to all the Parish Councillors and that the Councillors were to respond with those dates suitable for them and the most popular date to be fixed and passed on to the Bradford Estate
* The Parish Clerk was asked to advertise the Position for a Co-opted Parish Councillor for the Blymhill Ward in the Parish Magazine and the Parish Council Website.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

* The Parish Clerk reported that he now gets Road Closure warnings which he will put on the Website and post on Blymhill Buzz
* There had been only 1 request for a Jubilee Grant from the Parish Council, but as that was for an event in Wheaton Aston it was not be granted. The request though had been past on to the Bradford Estate for review.

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

 **RESOLVED:**  **That the next meeting of the Parish Council be held on Wednesday 25th May 2022**

 **At 7.30pm at the Blymhill and Weston under Lizard Village Hall which will also be the Public**

 **Assembly.**

 **2022 Meetings – all Wednesdays, 28th September, 23rd November 2022, all at 7.30pm to**

 **9.00pm**