

**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 23<sup>rd</sup> NOVEMBER 2022**

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

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr P Delaloye – Parish Clerk

APOLOGIES: Cllr M Stokes  
Cllr M Sutton – Staffordshire County Council  
Cllr B J W Cox – South Staffordshire District Council  
Cllr V Jackson – South Staffordshire District Council

**3118 DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

None

**3119 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

**RESOLVED:** That the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 23.11.2022 be approved as a correct Record and governance of the Parish Council.

**3120 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

- Cllr L Cross as the new co-opted Parish Councillor for the Blymhill ward who was voted in by the Parish Council at the September Parish Council introduced himself to the Parish Council, with the Parish Councillors introducing themselves to him.
- The Parish Clerk reported that the issue with the Stiles near Blymhill Church had had a response from Cllr M Sutton that the Rights of Way team who had been in touch with the Land owner. Cllr L Cross said he would go and look at the styles to see if anything had been done.

**3121 VISITORS**

None

**3122 REPORT OF The COUNTY COUNCILLOR**

None as not present

**3123 REPORT OF THE DISTRICT COUNTY COUNCILLORS**

None as not present

**3124 PLAY AREAS**



- Following the annual ROSPA audit Cllr N Parton reported that in the Weston under Lizard play area, the Tyre Swing does not now meet the required standards and would need to be replaced.  
Cllr P Maddocks Proposed the replacement and Cllr D McCowan seconded the proposal. The Parish Council voted and accepted this.  
**Resolved:** Cllr N Parton to obtain quotes for a replacement play area equipment.
- Cllr N Parton then reported that in the Blymhill play area, that the bolts on the swing needed to be tightened which he would do and that the Picnic table would need to be replaced.  
Cllr A Lowe Proposed the replacement and Cllr D McCowan seconded the proposal. The Parish Council voted and accepted this.
- **Resolved:** Cllr N Parton to obtain quotes for a replacement Picnic Table and install it.
- The Parish Clerk reported that the Bradford Estate had been in contact regarding getting some of the play equipment painted. This will be delayed until after the equipment has been replaced. It was requested to ask if some work could be done on the path going through the Play area.

### 3125 FOOTPATHS AND HIGHWAYS

- Cllr D Maddocks reported that Weston Park had managed to get the pavements from the Litchfield Gate all along the A5 to the main entrance of Weston Park cleared of all the Weeds that had grown there. The Parish Clerk was asked to send a letter of thanks to them for getting this done
- It was reported that the Footpath from the entrance of the road to St Mary's Church to Grove Farm was in a terrible state.  
Cllr P Maddocks proposed that the pavement be cleaned by a contractor as previously done in Blymhill and Cllr V Cook seconded the proposal. The Parish Council voted and accepted this.
- Cllr N Parton reported that there were some new styles and fingerposts in the Blymhill area that looked good, but along the straight mile there were a number that needed repair. He was asked to supply the Parish Clerk with the "what 3 words" positions for this, so it could be passed onto the County Council Rights of way department.
- Cllr L Cross reported that he had reported on the County Council Website that a DPD van had knocked over post on School Lane Blymhill, but so far nothing had been done.
- Cllr N Parton reported that in the summer he reported that the Council had cleared grass and mud from the center of the road between Blymhill Hall Lane and Worrelley Lane and instead of removing it completely, just put it straight in to the Drainage Ditch, with nothing since it being reported done about it. The Parish Clerk was asked to contact the Highways Department on this.

### 3126 PLANNING MATTERS

#### Planning Application considered by Parish Council since the meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> October 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: 22/00969/LUE

Proposed: The Lawful Development certificate is sought to establish that the shipping

container exists within the residential curtilage of 1 The Green, Brineton Shifnal and accords with Schedule 2, Part 1, Class E of the General Permitted Development Order 2015

At: 1 The Green Brineton Shifnal Staffordshire TF11 8NH

The above proposal has been submitted in order to establish whether the use of the above site is lawful.

Details can be viewed at ConsulteeAccess. The purpose of the application is to enable the applicant to apply to the Local Planning Authority to find out whether the proposed development would be lawful, i.e. whether it requires planning permission.

Certificates of Lawfulness of a proposed use or development differ from planning applications in that the Local Planning Authority has to address the question whether, having regard to the detailed description of the submitted proposal, the facts of the site and the relevant planning law, the proposed operations would be lawful if carried out in accordance with the stated terms. The planning merits of the proposed operation have no relevance to the consideration of the purely legal issues involved in determining the application, and therefore the effect on amenity or highway safety for example, cannot be taken into account.

In making the decision on the application, the Local Planning Authority has to ask whether, if the proposed operation has commenced on the application date, would it have been lawful for planning purposes. 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 an "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 anytime.

Any comments must be made in writing and should reach me by 15 November 2022.

Email sent 27.10.2022 to Councillors

Application No: 22/00884/LBC

Proposal: Conversion of the East Wing of the Granary within Weston Park to Office Space for the use of the Management Team of Weston Park

Location: The Granary Weston Park Weston Under Lizard Staffordshire TF11 8NA

You can now view these documents online at PublicAccess

Please respond with your observations by 31 October 2022 in writing, via

ConsulteeAccess or email to [planning@sstaffs.gov.uk](mailto:planning@sstaffs.gov.uk),

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The application forms and plans relating to the above mentioned development in which you may be interested can now be viewed via PublicAccess.



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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. Sent 11.10.2022

Application No: 22/00901/FUL sent 5.10.2022

Proposal: Removal of existing conservatory to the front of the dwelling. Construction of single storey rendered replacement building on the footprint of the removed conservatory.

Location: 61 Blymhill Road Blymhill Staffordshire TF11 8LS

You can now view these documents online at PublicAccess

Please respond with your observations by 26 October 2022 in writing, via ConsulteeAccess or email to [planning@sstaffs.gov.uk](mailto:planning@sstaffs.gov.uk),

**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 6th October 2022**

Nil

Local Plan Review email with links to proposed local plan sent to all Councillors

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

**3115 FINANCIAL MATTERS**

**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT**

Balance as at 6<sup>th</sup> October 2022 **£4,503.22**

**Payments since meeting held on 6th October 2022 to be confirmed**

**Payment Made as Approved since 6th October 2022**

South Staffordshire District Council Grounds Maintenance Quarter 1 2022/2023 £220.43

**Payment to be Approved**



<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>£220.43</b>
<b><u>Income received since Meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> October 2022</u></b>	
SSDC Precept	£3,000.00
Balance as at 23 <sup>rd</sup> November 2022	<b>£7282.79</b>

**Blymhill and Weston Under Lizard Parish Council Accounts**  
**1<sup>st</sup> April 2022 to 31st March 2023**

**STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT AS AT 31 March 2022**

<b>Funds at 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022</b>	<b>£6,950.66</b>
<b>Income since 1 April 2022</b>	
Parish Precept – 12 months	£6,000.00
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>£6,000.00</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£12950.66</b>
<b>Expenditure since 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022</b>	
Parish Clerk's Fee Quarters 1,2 and 3	£1,500.00
SSDC Grounds Maintenance Q 3 & 4 2021/2022 and Q1 2022/2023	£391.25
Expenses	£82.12
SSDC interest free loan repayment 2022	£450.00
Zurich Municipal Parish Council Insurances	£353.70
Staffordshire Parish Councils Association	£238.16
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
Delayed payments due to issues at SSDC during Pandemic not sending invoices out	
SSDC interest free loan repayment 2021	£450.00
SSDC Grounds maintenance 3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter 2020/2021	£170.64
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>£5,667.87</b>
<b>Funds for 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023</b>	<b>£7282.79</b>

**RESOLVED:** All Councilors agreed the Accounts

Budget for April 2023 to March 2024

BLYMHILL AND WESTON- UNDER- LIZARD PARISH COUNCIL



## ESTIMATED EXPENDITURE FROM 1 APRIL 2023 TO 31 MARCH 2024

	£
Insurance (awaiting new quote)	400.00
Staffordshire Parish Councils' Association	229.00
Donations	
- Churchyards	1150.00
- Parish Magazine	250.00
- Brewood and District Voluntary Car Scheme	200.00
- Weston Club / Weston Institute Rooms	150.00
Rent for Playing Field	30.00
Clerk's Fee	2,000.00
South Staffordshire District Council Loan	450.00
Grounds Maintenance	500.00
Stationary	100.00
Audit Fee	360.00
Parish Council Website hosting fees	270.00
TOTAL	£6,089.00

## ESTIMATED INCOME FROM 1 APRIL 2014 TO 31 MARCH 2015

Parish Precept	£6000.00
TOTAL	£6000.00

ESTIMATED EXCESS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE -£89.00

ESTIMATED BALANCE AT BANK - 31 MARCH 2023 £7,000.00

**DO WE WANT TO INCREASE THE PRECEPT?**

The Parish Council looked at income and expenditure and raising costs and decided an increase in expenditure was needed. It was also noted that the Parish Councils Precept was about the lowest in the whole of South Staffordshire.

An increase of £500.00 was proposed by Cllr P Maddocks and Seconded by Cllr V Cook. The Parish Council voted and accepted this.

**Resolved:** The Parish Clerk would request the increase in the Precept from South Staffordshire District Council

**3127 ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

P Dilkes of Weston under Lizard had asked for a meeting with members of the Parish Council to go through some thoughts that he had for Weston under Lizard that he would be sending to Viscount Newport after he had had a meeting with him, but wanted to present them to the Council. This had happened and Cllr D McCowan and Cllr V Cook had met him and gone around part of Weston under Lizard for this. His ideas had been useful. It was suggested that another meeting would be asked of him to expand the area covered prior to any notes from the meetings going to the Viscount, to ensure that they covered the whole of the village.

Community Shop

- Cllr N Parton that he had resigned as Treasurer and that the shop had set up its own bank account so that it would be completely separate from the Parish Councils accounts and finances.
- Cllr N Parton said that from the set up money put in by the Parish Council £1,000 had been paid back with the other £2,000 being paid back over the next couple of years as agreed at the last meeting
- He also reported that it was taking between £500 to £550 per week..

3128 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

**RESOLVED: That the next meeting of the Parish Council be held on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2023 at 7.30 pm at the Blymhill and Weston under Lizard Village Hall.**

**Dates of the other meetings for 2023 – 25<sup>th</sup> January 2023, 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2023, 24<sup>th</sup> May 2023, 20<sup>th</sup> September 2023 and 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2023**

Signed



(Chairman)

Date: .....25<sup>th</sup> January 2023.....