

Llanfair Waterdine Parish Council
Minutes of the Parish Meeting

Tuesday 10 May 2022 7pm at The Pavilion

Present: Cllrs Abbie Price (Chairman) Andrew Beavan; Zoe Croose; Darren Knipe; John Lane and Roy Lloyd

In attendance: 17 members of public; Shropshire Councillor Nigel Hartin and Mrs Maggie Brown, Clerk.

Apologies: Received from Cllr Mark Hughes and 2 members of public.

1. Cllr Abbie Price, who chaired the meeting in Cllr Hugh's absence, introduced herself and welcomed everyone to the 2022 Annual Meeting of the Parish.
2. A round-up of the year's events was read out by Cllr Price. See appendix 1.
3. Inspiring presentations were received from the following, which informed and entertained the assembled audience.
 - Llanfair Singers
 - Community Trust
 - Women's Institute
 - Community Pavilion Management Committee
 - Everest Hall
 - The Church / Wakes
 - Flicks in the Sticks
 - Llanfair Times
 - Land Lives and Livelihoods (presented by Cllr Beavan on their behalf)
 - Cllr Nigel Hartin

Questions were then invited, but none arose.

Cllr Price thanked presenters for their talks, and for setting up interesting displays offering further information. The variety of opportunities in the Parish were noted. Residents were encouraged to be in touch with the Clerk if contact details for any groups are needed.

4. An opportunity for Parishioners to raise any other matters of concern, not covered by the previous items. No questions were asked of the Parish Council.
5. The meeting closed at approx. 20:15 and was followed by convivial conversation and refreshments.

Signed

Dated

Appendix 1 LLANFAIR WATERDINE PARISH COUNCIL ANNUAL ROUNDUP 2021/22

At the election in May 2021, all councillors were returned un-opposed. The Annual Meeting of the Parish Council saw Mark Hughes re-elected as Chairman, and Abbie Price as Vice Chairman. Due to COVID-19 this was the first meeting to be held in person since March 2020 – before I became Clerk.

Roads conditions in the parish remain high on the list of priorities. A tour of the parish with representatives from Shropshire Council, several letters to officers and more than one meeting, all highlighting the appalling state of the network in Llanfair Parish, may have had an effect, but it is recognised more needs to be done. The Parish Council will continue to push for action.

Good work was completed under the Environmental Maintenance Scheme – helping to reduce problems on the roads. Gullies and grips were cleared and a new drain grid installed. A 50% grant of £400 was received, match funded by the Parish Council. Thanks go to Iorweth Waters and Graham Lloyd for their efforts with this.

Public Rights of Way are a great asset to the Parish. Paths are monitored by another volunteer, who reports problems to Shropshire Council. Thanks are due to this volunteer, for the work undertaken.

The Llanfair Waterdine Trust set up its own website – all information is available there, making reports at Parish Council meetings less necessary. The Parish Council published a statement of support of the Trust and Management Committee. It has full confidence that the Pavilion is being safely and responsibly run.

Two new Nominated Trustees were appointed for the Trust. Llanfair is fortunate to have such able volunteers willing to undertake these roles.

A Charter with West Mercia Police includes three priorities for the Parish – livestock theft and theft from rural properties, including farmsteads.

In support of the Climate Change Emergency, notice boards were removed at The Turbary, Dutlas and Skyborry, thereby saving fuel, printing and paper! Notices are still put on the board at Everest Hall, and can be seen on the Parish Council's website. Thanks are due to Cllr Beavan for posting notices.

A presentation from Airband was arranged in September, with residents invited to hear plans for provision of fibre to the premises. An update reported a delay – due to “unforeseen issues with the design of the build”, Airband is working towards the third quarter of 2022.

The Llanfair Times continues to be delivered to households in the Parish. Thanks to the editor(s) and delivery team and the Trust for its support with this. It is also available on the website for those no longer living in the area.

Dog fouling was a problem - notices were put up!

Parish Council paperwork has been removed from the Everest Hall and is now at the Clerk's house for sorting.

A precept of £4,000 was set for 2022/23, as it is about £1,500 less than the budget, and it is possible the precept may increase next year.

Celebrations for The Platinum Jubilee in June 2022 are supported, a beacon is to be lit on Llanfair Hill!

Maggie Brown, Clerk. 10 May 2022.