

# LLANFAIR WATERDINE PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of a meeting of Llanfair Waterdine Parish Council on Thursday 15th November 2018, Everest Hall

### Present

Cllr Andrew Beavan (Chair), Cllr Zoe Court (Vice Chair), Cllr Mark Hughes, Cllr Barry Swancott, Sarah Jameson (Clerk), plus 2 members of the public

- 1) **Welcome:** The Chair opened the meeting at 7.30pm. The Chair thanked Cllr Swancott for taking the reading at the Remembrance Service on behalf of the Parish Council and thanked Cllr Court for attending the new Councillor training at Shirehall recently.
- 2) **New Councillor:** Caroline Beadle was co-opted as a new Councillor to the Parish Council. Proposed by Cllr Swancott, seconded by Cllr Hughes. All agreed and Cllr Beadle was welcomed to Llanfair Waterdine Parish Council.
- 3) **Apologies:** Cllr Abbie Price
- 4) **Declarations of Interest:** Cllr Swancott – item 15; Cllr Beavan – item 15
- 5) **Minutes:** The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2018 were approved and signed.
- 6) **Public Speaking:** There were no public speakers
- 7) **Planning:**
  - a) **Existing applications**

The following planning applications that Council had previously supported had all since been granted full permission:

1. Erection of a combined garage and garden machinery shed - 18/03331/FUL (27/8)
2. Erection of a roof structure over a relocated dipping bath - 18/03346/FUL (21/8)
3. Upgrading of overhead lines - 18/03501/OHL (21/8)

### b) **New applications:**

A new planning application had arisen since the agenda was circulated:

***Garbett Hall, Llanfair Waterdine - Erection of an agricultural workers dwelling, detached garage, package treatment plant and associated works - 18/05192/FUL***

The Parish Council has supported such applications in the past and it was noted that agricultural workers' dwellings do not come under the same rules as affordable housing. Councillors agreed to support the application; proposed by Cllr Court; seconded by Cllr Swancott; all agreed. **Clerk to add comment to planning portal and ask Planning Dept about paper documentation**

## 8) Highways update:

- a) **Parish Path Warden:** Graham Beadle had been approached by Cllr Swancott and had agreed to take up this voluntary position. The appointment is with Shropshire Council rather than the Parish Council, but Councillors look forward to working with and supporting the new postholder so our Parish footpaths can be looked after. Cllr Hughes has implements/tools that he can pass over. **Clerk to follow up/MH**
- b) **Highways issues:**

### Potholes:

- i) Monaughty to Skyborry Green
- ii) Melin y Grogue to Crwn Turn
- iii) Cwm Sanahan to Lane House
- iv) Above Panponton
- v) (in Clun parish but affecting our parishioners): Burfield Crossroads to Springhill (some road subsidence)

**Clerk to write to Highways Dept** for an update on remedial work to these roads.

### Other matters: Environmental Maintenance Grant:

An officer (perhaps Andrew Keyland) may be invited to the January PC meeting to explain and answer questions on the Environmental Maintenance Grant.

**Clerk to draft letter to Steve Davenport for further information on the grant.**

## 9) Finance:

- a) See attached Financial report from Cllr Hughes
- b) £6119 in the bank currently with 3 invoices due for payment
- c) Cllr Hughes will circulate a draft 2019 budget prior to the next PC meeting. The Precept needs to be set by end of January 2019.
- d) The following invoices were approved for payment:
  - i) £30 Everest Hall (hall hire for 2017/2018 meetings)
  - ii) £25 SALC (New Councillor training for Cllr Court)
  - iii) £315.18 (Clerk salary and expenses)

**10) Llanfair Times report:** There was no report. The December issue is being put together now for publication on/by 1<sup>st</sup> December. The newsletter is well supported. Calendars produced to be sold in aid of the Llanfair Times (after costs) were selling well.

## 11) Broadband update:

No progress since the last PC meeting. Those users now supplied with fibre to premises in the village seem happy. There were issues with some properties, eg the Vedw. **Cllr Court to do some investigations** and information gathering on the households in the village still facing issues and then **Clerk to send a letter to Connecting Shropshire to find**

**out what is being done to help these properties get connected (Chair to draft letter once Cllr Court has the relevant information).**

**12) Parish Council website update:**

Cllr Swancott's introductory text about the history of Llanfair PC was read out in full and approved by all. Hyperlink information to be supplied by Cllr Swancott to Clerk. **Clerk/BS to follow up.**

**13) Shropshire Council report (Cllr Hartin):**

No report since Cllr Hartin not present.

**14) Local Joint Committee:** The LJC meeting had taken place on 7<sup>th</sup> November at Everest Hall with Steve Davenport, Andrew Keyland and Andy Wilde in attendance. Parishioner attendance had been disappointing considering the issues being discussed (ie highways and state of the roads). The Chair thanked Councillors for attending and supporting the event. Chair to produce a report on the evening for annexing to the minutes. All agreed that the Parish Council should cover the cost of hall hire for that meeting.

**15) Llanfair Waterdine Community Trust:** No report. Work is ongoing. More news in January.

**16) AONB update:** Cllr Hughes is a Parish Council representative on the AONB Partnership along with 6 other Parish Councillors, other interest groups and individuals. They meet 2 or 3 times a year. The AONB is putting together its 5 Year Plan. It was agreed that Phil Holden, AONB Partnership Manager, should be approached to speak at our Annual Parish Meeting next year and to visit the Parish beforehand (since he has never been). **Cllr Hughes to progress.**

**17) Correspondence:**

**a) Everest Hall Committee grant request:** Cllr Swancott summarised the recent history of EHMC grant applications to the Council. A S137 grant had been offered to EHMC in 2017 with stipulations. EHMC said at the time that accepting the offer may put them in breach of their Draft Constitution. A follow-up letter was sent to EHMC but no reply was received subsequently so the grant was not taken up. All agreed the Parish Council is still strongly in favour of supporting the Everest Hall as a parish asset. Clerk to write to the EHMC with a copy of the previous correspondence and offer the grant on the same terms as previously. **Clerk to progress.**

**b) Christmas post:** It was agreed that although a good neighbourly scheme, this was not a Parish Council responsibility. **Cllr Swancott/Clerk to progress.**

**c) Welcome Packs:** Cllr Price to be asked to bring a sample Parishioner Welcome Pack to the next PC meeting in January to Councillors can see it.

**18) Confidential business:** None.

**19) Next meetings:** Thurs 15<sup>th</sup> November and (2019): Thurs 17<sup>th</sup> January / Thurs 21<sup>st</sup> March / Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> May *and the following further dates were also now agreed:* Thurs 18<sup>th</sup> July / Thurs 26<sup>th</sup> September (***note NOT 19<sup>th</sup>***) and Thurs 21<sup>st</sup> November. **Clerk to write to EH to confirm new dates.**

**20) The meeting closed at 9.30pm**

Signed .....Date .....