

WESTON WITH GAYTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting that took place on Tuesday 11th January 2022 at 7.30pm in Weston Village Hall.

PRESENT

Councillor J Griffiths (Chair), Councillor Mrs H Hart (Vice Chair), Councillor D Icke, Councillor G Church, Councillor J Tallentire, Councillor M Hardenberg, Councillor Mrs G Wray
Parish Clerk DW Croxford
One member of the public was present.

APOLOGIES

Councillor K Barber, Councillor D Leake.

Councillor Griffiths thanked Councillor Hart for chairing the last three meetings.

PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

3167 MEETING 14th DECEMBER – RESOLVED that the minutes of the Parish Council (PC) Meeting held at 7:30pm on the 14th of December 2021 be confirmed and signed by the Vice Chairman as proposed and seconded by Parish Councillors Church and Wray

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

3168 None declared.

PARISH PLAN

3169 There were no updates.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND NOTICES

3170 There were no announcements or notices.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

3171 The member of the public enquired as to the Parish Councils' intentions and support of the Queens Platinum Jubilee Celebrations 2nd to 5th June. A discussion was held covering several suggestions within the dates, involving a tree planting ceremony with local schoolchildren and, possibly an accompanying fete. It was considered a separate committee, with the Village Hall Management Committee, and other volunteering members of the public would be helpful. To be an Agenda item for February's meeting. The member of the public was thanked for raising the issue and his support.

REPORT FROM STAFFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCILLOR

3172 Staffordshire County Councillor John Francis was not in attendance to present a report.

REPORT FROM STAFFORD BOROUGH COUNCILLOR

3173 Councillor Frances Beatty was not in attendance, but her detailed written report had been received and circulated beforehand.

REPORT FROM VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE (VHMC) REPRESENTATIVE

3174 Councillor Wray advised she would report after the next Village Hall Management Committee meeting, to be held shortly.

DEVELOPMENTS

3175 No Planning Applications had been received at the date of posting the agenda.

TREES AND CHILDREN'S PLAY AREA

3176 Clerk advised the December inspection reports for the Village Green Play Area and the Village Hall Skate Park & MUGA were Annual and included comments on compliance of the equipment, whereas Operational reports are maintenance focussed. *Clerk to contact Wicksteed and the Play Inspection Company to gain a full understanding of the areas of non-compliance reported in the December reports.*

3177 The small child swing seats are not yet replaced. *Councillor Griffiths to progress.*

3178 The painting of the play equipment will now take place in the Spring. *Clerk to ensure painter is booked.*

HIGHWAYS AND RIGHTS OF WAY

3179 The two areas of flooding discussed at the last meeting have been reported on the SCC Highways website.

3180 Councillor Church advised he had reported an area of flooding near the Woolpack entrance.

3181 Was unanimously **RESOLVED** to fund the cost of Christmas lights purchased by the Gayton Village Hall Management Committee for Gayton Village Hall. Total cost £114.98.

HS2 PHASE 2a

3182 Community Funding Application Update

Councillor Hart advised she had not yet had arrangements confirmed, with the Enterprise Manager from the Canal & River Trust, for the site visit. It is hoped the visit can be arranged during January.

CLERK REPORT

3183 RESOLVED that the PC approve payments listed below and included on the monthly Statement of Accounts/Receipts and Payments.

Payments Approved and made before the meeting.

- Clerks Net Salary December £467.30
- HMRC PAYE Clerks December £116.80
- Clerks Expenses December £16.00

Payments to be made.

- Gayton Village Hall Christmas Lights - £114.98
- WGM Ground Maintenance work December (including Dog Bin Maintenance £72) - £600 +£120 VAT = £720
- Play Inspection Company Annual Inspection - £150+VAT £30=£180
- Clerks Training ILCA Course (505 cost shared with Salt PC) - £60 + VAT £12=£72

3184 Change of Bankers

- Clerk advised that Unity Trust Bank are presently not accepting any new account applications because of backlogs and staffing issues. In the interim *Clerk to register our interest in opening accounts on the Unity website.*

CORRESPONDENCE

Circulated at the meeting

3185 Clerk advised he had received confirmations from SBC of the 2022-23 Precept requests.

3186 Clerk advised of the upcoming TVCG meeting and sought any Agenda items Councillors wanted including.

3187 Planning Application 21/35404/PAR at Barn North of the Old Farmhouse, London Road, Weston

3188 Planning Application 21/35407/PAR at Barn North East of the Old Farmhouse, London Road, Weston

DATE, TIME, AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING

3189 Parish Council Meeting at Weston Village Hall Tuesday 8th February 2022 at 7:30pm

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3190 The Parish Council meeting of Tuesday 8th March 2022 will be at Gayton Village Hall. The Annual Gayton Parish (Public) meeting will also take place on that evening.

3191 The Annual Weston meetings will take place on Tuesday 10th May at Weston Village Hall

**JAN GRIFFITHS
CHAIR**