

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of Ercall Magna Parish Council held on Tuesday, 18th May 2021 at 7.45p.m. in High Ercall Village Hall.

PRESENT:

Cllr E Aston	Cllr K Connor
Cllr G Barrow	Cllr S Bentley
Cllr R Wickson	Cllr M Ward
Cllr C Purves	Cllr S Walker
Cllr Y Homer	Cllr L Hughes
Cllr A Glenholmes	Cllr R Hartshorn
Cllr A Price	

In Attendance: Katrina Baker (Clerk)
1 Member of the public

537/05/21.C Welcome & Introductions

The Chairman, Councillor Connor, opened the meeting and thanked everyone for their support in electing him as the Chairman for the coming year. Councillor Connor, and Members of the Council, wished to record their thanks to Councillor Wickson for his valuable contributions to the work of the Parish Council whilst as Chairman in recent years.

538/05/21.C Apologies for Absence

None

539/05/21.C Declarations of Interest (for items on the Agenda)

Councillor M Ward HE Primary School Governor Non-pecuniary Interest

540/05/21.C Minutes of the Meeting held on 20th April 2021

It was proposed by Councillor Purves and seconded by Councillor Glenholmes, all were in favour and thus it was

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting held on 20th April 2021 be signed by the Chairman as a true record.

541/05/21.C Cleveland Arms – An Asset Of Community Value

There had been no further update. The Cleveland Phoenix Charity is awaiting the final report and valuation and is working towards the next steps in the process.

542/05/21.C Chairman’s Report

Councillor Wickson, retiring Chairman, updated Members on the recent works around the Parish regarding pavements and potholes.

543/05/21.C Finance & Governance

a) Payments

A schedule of payments had been circulated. It was proposed by Councillor Hartshorne and seconded by Councillor Hughes that the payments be authorized and paid via the dual-system through Barclays Bank.

Grass-cutting Grant – Rowton Church	LGA 1972 s 214 (6)	£360.00
Grass-cutting – Rowton, Ellerdine and High Ercall	LGA 1972 s 101	£2343.42
Affiliation Fee – SALC	LGA 1972	£683.52
Land Registry Search	LGA 1972	£23.94
Zoom conferencing fee	LGA 1972	£12.00
Clerk’s Salary	LGA 1972	£560.00
PAYE – April 2021	LGA 1972	£140.00

b) Financial Position

Members had received a copy of the end of year financial position, which showed a balance of £61,430.36. This includes earmarked reserves which will be finalized following the completion of the Audit.

c) Grant Applications

Councillor Ward declared a non-pecuniary interest

Members considered the two applications which had been received from High Ercall Primary School. £500 is available in the Grants Budget for 2021/22.

The first application was to provide transport for the children to attend swimming and the second was to replace a shed in the outdoor class space for Class One.

Members were keen to enable the children to access swimming lessons and therefore it was

RESOLVED to vire £400 from the Council's Reserves into the school grant budget.

It was proposed by Councillor Hartshorn and seconded by Councillor Aston, with one abstention, all were in favour and thus it was

RESOLVED that a grant of £900 be provided to cover the costs of transport for the children to attend swimming lessons, when restrictions permit.

Members were not in a position to support the application for a replacement shed at this time.

d) Roden Gardening Group and Parish Planters

Members are very grateful to the volunteers that are assisting with the replacement and management of the floral displays in the Parish.

Thanks are also recorded to Roden Nursery, Nobridge Nursery and Park Timber for their support with the projects.

Members were reminded that £400 is available in the Council's budget from Councillor Stephen Bentley's Pride Fund allocated to the provision of floral displays.

Councillor Bentley proposed that a further £250 be allocated to the parish planters in High Ercall and £150 for the plants and repairs to the planters in Roden and Ellerdine. These were seconded by Councillor Glenholmes, all were in favour and thus it was

RESOLVED that an additional £400 be made available from the Parish Funds for the planting projects within the Parish.

544/05/21.C Planning

a) Report

Councillor Connor presented the Minutes of the meeting held on 5th May, for information.

b) Planning Application for consideration

TWC/2021/0450 Rose Cottage, Green Lane, Ellerdine

This retrospective application had been received to regularize development on the site. Members would ask that TWC takes into consideration any comments they receive from neighbours.

However, the Parish Council would make no comments and would leave the decision to the Planning and Enforcement Officers.

c) Planning Decisions

TWC/2021/0156 1 Jubilee Cottages, Roden – permission granted

JBM had confirmed that they were not in a position to provide any advance payment from the agreed £50,000 grant, towards the provision of the footway to Marlbrook Way or the improvements to the play area.

- e) **Ercall Magna Neighbourhood Development Plan**
A copy of the Plan had been circulated and we are awaiting the completion of the statutory supporting statements to accompany it as it moves forward, under Regulation 15, to the independent examination.

545/05/21.C **Environmental Matters**

- a) **Update**
Work is to take place in Roden to remove the detritus from the paths and to remove a self-set tree from the pavement (as per a photo provided).
Work to clear footpaths in High Ercall was progressing with the alleyway from the shop to Park Lane still to be completed.
- b) **Grass Track and Motorcross Bike Racing**
A meeting, with Waters Upton Parish Council, had taken place with regards to the three events which take place in this rural area. The Enforcement Officer and Environmental Officer had provided information in order that we can understand the regulations that apply to each of the events. It had been confirmed that there would not be any conflict of dates. However, there are different restrictions for each event. A copy of the notes of the meeting will be circulated, for information.
Any local neighbour, affected by the events, should submit details in order that it can be logged and, if necessary, investigated. This is an important part of the process.
- c) **New Issues**
The trees at the junction of B5062 with Park Lane are in need of attention in order to aid visibility and to make the junction safer.

546/05/21.C **Highways Matters**

- a) **Update**
Whilst all reported potholes appear, at this time, to have been visited and repaired, due to the current weather conditions, more continue to appear. It is important that these are reported as soon as possible – Members are encouraged to report them via My Telford or to contact the Clerk, there is no requirement to wait until a Council meeting.
- b) **Junction of Rodington Lane to B5062**
The blocked drain has been reported previously but still floods, this will be taken up with TWC Highways Officers.
- c) **A442 Cold Hatton**
Whilst the first two phases of the traffic scheme have been completed, the third phase, to provide better and improved signage is still awaited. It is a concern that there are still road traffic accidents involving the central refuges. This will be added to the agenda for the Highways Liaison Meeting in June.

547/05/21.C **Shropshire Association of Local Councils**

Regular updates are provided to all members and contain useful information.
A meeting of SALC with the Chief Executive and Leader of TWC is scheduled for 25th May 2021.
Councillor Wickson, as Chairman of SALC, will be speaking to the motion from WAC regarding use of fireworks and Chinese lanterns and their effects on wildlife, pets and the environment.

548/05/21.C **Street Lighting**

No issues

549/05/21.C **Correspondence**

- a) **All correspondence is shared with Members, here had been no requests to add any to the agenda for further consideration at this meeting. Members are reminded that they can add any item to a future agenda.**

**550/05/21.C Reports
Councillors
None**

**Clerk's Report
Rowton Defibrillator**

The defibrillator has been delivered and is awaiting installation.

Members considered a £20 contribution for the electric to be available. Councillor Bentley informed the meeting that Waters Upton Stores would provide this for the foreseeable future. Members agreed that this should be added to a future agenda should this arrangement cease.

Rights of Way and Stile from B5062

The position of the stile, high on the side of the B5062 (at the location of known flooding) is of concern. TWC has instructed its contractor to visit with regards to the condition of the stile, but also needs to look at the safety for users at this location.

551/05/21.C Parish Matters

a) **Queen's Green Canopy**

This will appear on the next Agenda for discussion, in the meantime members are asked to consider suitable locations for tree planting for the Jubilee.

b) **75th Anniversary of the end of the war and the 100th Anniversary of the Royal British Legion**

Members will consider appropriate ways to recognise these events at its next meeting.

c) **Consolidated Charities**

Further details are needed and a copy of the Trust Deed and Account details were requested by the Parish Councillors on this Committee.

552/05/21.C Next Meeting

Meetings will be as per the schedule agreed at the Annual Meeting. The next Full Council will be on Tuesday, 15th June 2021 at 7pm in High Ercall Village Hall.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed meeting at 8.55pm and thanked everyone for their important contributions.

SignedDate

Please note that these minutes remain draft until agreed at the next meeting of the Parish Council on 15th June 2021.