

Lilleshall Parish Council
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MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD on 14th January 2025 HILLSIDE MEETING ROOM, LILLESBALL, 6:30PM

Members present Cllrs: Taylor (Chairman), Binnington (Vice Chairman), Parker, Hoof, Harvey and Clayton.

In attendance: Mrs W Tonge (Parish Clerk) Cllr Andrew Eade (T&WC Borough Councillor).

169/24 Apologies and declarations of Interest

Apologies received from Cllr Challenor (Indisposed). No declarations of interest were declared.

170/24 Public Session

No members of the public were present.

171/24 Minutes of the last Council meeting held 10th December 2024

The minutes of the last meeting held on the 10th of December had been previously circulated and were **RESOLVED** to be accepted as a true record.

172/24 Matters arising, for information, from the minutes

The matter of the speed reduction/traffic calming road improvements at Station Road and The Humbers were raised following the Clerk's email to T&WC Highways Department. Members were frustrating to learn the Clerk had not received any acknowledgement to her request for clarification on the implementation of the 40MPH speed limit. Councillor Eade agreed to speak to the Head of Service at T&WC.

173/24 Correspondence

The following correspondence was shared with members:

- a) SALC Training Schedule.

The new schedule of training for members is now available.

- b) Cromwell's Seat.

Cllr Parker shared a copy of information, and a request received from a local resident requesting the Parish Council consider reinstating a plaque to commemorate Oliver Cromwell's historical connection to Lilleshall Hill. Members granted the Clerk permission to contact the resident and explore the viability of a plaque and railings.

- c) Bench on Church Road.

The Clerk informed members a local resident has requested a bench be installed opposite the Bus Stop on Church Road. Cllr Eade confirmed he's already looking into the proposal and will liaise with council once he has further information.

174/24 Reports from West Mercia Police

The Chairman read a report received from the local SNT on activity in the local area. No matters were raised.

175/24 Reports from Parish Councillors and Ward Member present

Cllr Eade updated members regarding the recent RTO at The Humbers and confirmed the fourth speed cushion has been installed. Cllr Hoof informed members he has submitted a Freedom of Information request to T&WC regarding dissatisfaction with the lack of information and justification to increase the speed limit along Station Road. The Clerk agreed to raise the matter at the next Clerks/TWC Meeting.

176/24 Clerks Reports

The Clerk expressed concern for the number of reports for overflowing public use bins. Cllr Binnington believed that was due to the high volume of Veolia staff taking extended leave from the Christmas Break. Members were updated that the planned works will soon commence on the alterations to create a reception area at the Memorial Office.

177/24 T&WC Local Plan Review

No update received from T&WC on the matter. Cllr Eade predicted it would be the end of January beginning of February before the report is likely to be released.

178/24 Road Safety Scheme

Cllr Eade was disappointed the new Brockton Leasows sign on the A518 had not been installed, he confirmed the matter will be pursued with T&WC Highways Department.

179/24 Events

Summer Trip: Members agreed the day trip in June to Llandudno should be advertised in April with tickets sales available in May.

Easter: The Clerk was asked to contact local community groups to explore if they were any Easter activities for the local community, which the Parish Council could potentially support.

180/24 Planning

TWC/2025/0009 Application under Section 192 for a Certificate of Lawfulness for proposed development -Erection of a single storey rear extension Rock House, Barrack Lane, Lilleshall, Newport, Shropshire, TF10 9ER

Resolved: No Objection

181/24 Financial Reports

a). Members reviewed the latest bank reconciliation up to 31st December 2024, bringing the accounts to a balance of £55,783.49p and the payments made since the last meeting and their corresponding invoices/receipts. All reports were signed by Cllr Taylor & Cllr Clayton, all invoices were signed by Cllr Binnington.

Members **RESOLVED** to accept the bank reconciliation as an accurate report and approved the list of payments made since the last meeting:

Payments made during December since the last meeting

Paid to	Amount
HMRC	£443.60
Shropshire County Pension Fund	£342.87
D. Seabury	£120.00
G. Parkman Handyman Services	£50.00
WM Tonge	£45.00
K. Goodwin	£4.29
Midlands Computers	£119.76
HugoFox	£11.99
B. Taylor	£29.99
C. Furnival	£48.97
AYP	£294.00
Nobridge Ltd	£670.00
Gallagher Insurance	£37.61
A. Matthews	£150.00
H3G	£7.52
Staff Salaries	£1,277.86
HMRC	£285.87
Shropshire County Pension Fund	£263.37

b) **Precept Setting 25-26:** Members discussed the precept report circulated and presented by the Parish Clerk:

Resolved: that the Precept for Financial year 2025/2026 be set at £70,000.00. All papers were signed by the Chairman, two members and the Clerk/RFO in preparation for submission to Telford & Wrekin Council.

182/24 Parish Assets

- a) **Allotments:** Cllr Taylor updated members that the Allotment Society will be holding their committee meeting next week, where they will decide on the winner of the 'design a new logo' competition which Lilleshall Primary School have been involved in.

- b) **Lilleshall Tennis Club/ Talbot Centre:** Cllr Clayton confirmed he is due to attend a committee meeting this month. Members agreed Cllr Clayton be granted permission to propose the parish council take over the future billing and administration of the Solar Panels.
- c) **Bus Shelters:** The Clerk reported concerns that fly-tipping and inappropriate materials are being dumped at the Community Library, housed in the Bus Shelter along Station Road. The Clerk was asked to place a notice warning members of the public that the scheme requires donations of books only. The continuous misuse of the library may result in the service being withdrawn. Council agreed to review the issue at a future meeting.
- d) **Churchyard:** The Clerk shared a quote received for the removal of trees in the Churchyard. Members requested additional quotes be sought before a final decision is made.
- e) **Planters:** No further action required.
- f) **Speed Indicator Devices:** Three quotes were circulated to members for the renewal of a 12-month contract, for the monthly maintenance and additional call out charges for two council owned Speed Indicator Devices.

Resolved: that G Parkman Handyman Services be granted the contract.
Members expressed their frustration for the data provided for the Speed indicator devices. The Clerk agreed to pursue the matter.

Date of next meeting: The next meeting which will be held on Tuesday 11th February 2025 6.30pm at the Memorial Hall Office, Hillside, Lilleshall.

This meeting closed at 7.40pm

These minutes are to be considered as a draft form until signed at the next appropriate meeting, the signed copy will be retained by the Parish Council.

Signed: Dated:/...../.....