

WHEATHILL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting (AGM) held on Monday 17 May 2021 held in Cleobury North Village Hall commencing at 7pm

Present	Parish Councillors	Joe Watton Chair. Stephen Howells Lucy Howells Jayne O’Grady Hayley Roberts
	Clerk to the Council	Derick Bromley
	Unitary Councillor	Gwilym Butler
	Parishioners	Ken and Lee Partridge

Stephen Howells Chaired the Meeting until the outcome of Agenda 4

1 Apologies Received

No apologies received.

2 Pecuniary Interests

Councillors were reminded of their obligation to declare a pecuniary interest they may have with regard to **any** item on the Agenda.

3 Nomination for Chair and Vice Chair of Parish Council for ensuing year

Joe Watton was nominated for Chair of Parish Council for ensuing year by Stephen Howells Seconded by Lucy Howells
Jayne O’Grady was nominated for vice Chair of Parish Council for ensuing year by Stephen Howells Seconded by Joe Watton

4 Vote for Chair and Vice Chair of Parish Council for ensuing year

By a show of hands (unanimously) Joe Watton was elected Chair and Jayne O’Grady as Vice for the ensuing year.

5 Public Open Session

Lee Partridge indicated he would discuss the defibrillator question at Agenda Item 13(9).

6 Approval of Minutes of last meeting

The Minutes of the previous meeting 29 March 2021 were approved and sanctioned to post to our web site.

7 **Local News**

Nothing to report except the pubs are open!!

8 **Future Social Events**

Nothing to report. Discuss at future Meetings

9 **Unitary Councillors**

Gwilym Butler reported as follows;

- His Annual report has been posted to our web site
- The Unitary Council has a new leader-Leslie Picton the first ever female leader. The full cabinet is yet to be announced
- County will support post pandemic actions
- Our roads are in a poor condition to put it mildly. More money to be allocated. -some £11m from Central Government but can only be spent on A & B roads.
- Funding for rural counties is detrimentally out of sync with urban. Efforts are being made to address the imbalance.

Gwilym retired from the Meeting

10 **Lengthsman Scheme**

The Silvington notice board is still waiting to be repaired. An invoice was submitted by AP Supplies in the sum of £210 vat inclusive

11 **Correspondence**

No correspondence received.

12 **Planning**

No planning applications were received this period.

13 **Finance**

The Meeting discussed the following.

- 1) Bank Statement (balance) £16,597.03 was submitted to the meeting.
- 2) Internal Audit Certificate for 2020/21 was submitted to the Meeting
- 3) Certificate of Exemption AGAR 2020/21 was approved and signed
- 4) Annual Governance Statement 2020/21b was approved and signed
- 5) Accounting Statements 2020/21 were approved and signed
- 6) Update on Precept 2021/22 was reported
- 7) Insurance renewal with Zurich £198.46 was approved
- 8) Contribution to Farlow PC for Microsoft Licence (£22.22) was approved
- 9) Lee Partridge acquainted the meeting with the logistics of maintaining the defibrillator. Wheathill have already contributed towards replacing the cabinet. Given the wide geographical are of the Parish we need more than one. Funding is still available from the National Lottery. The Clerk will pass on details for any application after speaking to the chair of Farlow PC. This must be sorted out before winter.
- 10) No other invoices were submitted for payment

14 **Items to be put on Agenda for next Meeting**

- Defibrillator

15 **Date of Next Meeting**

The Annual Parish Meeting will be held on 1 June 2021 commencing 7pm in Cleobury North Village Hall

The Next Parish Council Meeting will be on 26 July 2021 Cleobury North Village Hall (subject to availability)

The Meeting closed at 19.55