

WHEATHILL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 27 September 2021 held in Cleobury North Village Hall commencing at 7pm

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

1 **Apologies Received**

Lucy Howells has resigned from the Parish Council with immediate effect

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 **Public Open Session**

No parishioners attended the Meeting

4 **Approval of Minutes of last meeting**

The Minutes of the previous meeting 9 August 2021 were approved and sanctioned to post to our web site.

5 **Defibrillators- discussion on Future Policy**

The Meeting agreed and the Partridges confirmed the Parish Council would purchase its own defibrillator to be sited in its present position at The Three Horseshoes. The meeting concluded we should try to locate three more-Bromdon (have permission) Loughton and Silvington. Hayley will obtain costings from the potential providers. In due course we will apply for a grant ideally from the Lottery Fund.

6 **Local News**

Nothing to report

7 **Future Social Events**

Nothing to report.

8 **Unitary Councillors**

Simon Harris reported as follows;

- Cleobury Youth Partnership on the move again. There is a climbing wall in Cleobury
- Covid outbreak in Cleobury
- Steve Charnley head of Highways has resigned due unpleasant social media comment.. Richard Marshall his deputy has taken on the mantle.
- Simon has shown Richard round the parishes pointing out the problems.
- Last full Unitary Council meeting was problematic due to the actions of Extinction rebellion.
- Simon is on the Pension Committee being lobbied to diversify investment away from fossil fuel companies. There followed an exchange of views on the varying opinions on this developing issue.
- It is likely Afghan refugees will be accommodated in Shropshire(Five families)

Simon retired from the Meeting

9 **Proposed Boundary Review.**

It is likely Boundary reviews will happen before the next elections in 2025.

10 **Queen's Platinum Jubilee**

Although it is unlikely we shall participate the item will be retained on the Agenda for future consideration

9 **Lengthsman Scheme**

The Silvington notice board is still waiting to be repaired. We have emailed Anthony Harman.

The Lengthsman Grant was substantially underspent last year. The Grant authorised will be reduced proportionate to that underspend.

12 **Correspondence**

No correspondence relative to us was received during the month.

13 **Planning**

Update on Planning Application 21/02544/OUT. We object because of access problems. Highways need to address this with the planners.

14 **Finance**

The Meeting discussed the following.

- 1) Bank Statement (balance £15407.52) was submitted to the meeting.
- 2) Payment to Farlow PC for shared costs in the sum of £21.24 was approved for payment
- 3) Invoices in the sum of £44 for the Hall hire was approved for payment
- 4) Payment to HMRC for Income tax £70 was approved
- 5) Hayley was approved as a further cheque signatory

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

- Defibrillator
- New Cheque signatory.
- Queens Platinum Jubilee

16 **Date of Next Meeting**

The Next Parish Council Meeting will be 30 November 2021 Cleobury North Village Hall

The Meeting closed at 7.57 pm