

GREAT WYRLEY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF GREAT WYRLEY PARISH COUNCIL held at Great Wyrley Community Centre, Landywood Lane, Great Wyrley which commenced at 7.00 p.m. on Wednesday 15TH June, 2022.

Present:

**(Chairman)
Cllr. J. C. Jones**

Cllr. Mrs. O. Brazier Cllr. M. Dabbs Cllr. Mrs. J. A. Johnson Cllr. A. Kelsey Cllr. M. McKenzie	Cllr. A. Newell Cllr. Mrs. K. M. Perry MBE Cllr. R. J. Perry Cllr. Mrs. S. Toddington Cllr. Mrs. C. Whiston-Taylor
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7/2022 APOLOGIES

Apologies had been received from Cllr. R. Myatt, Cllr. A. Pearson, Cllr. Mrs. S. M. Wood and Cllr. A. Smith.

8/2022 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

It was proposed by Cllr. M. McKenzie and seconded by Cllr. Mrs. C. Whiston-Taylor that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 4th May, 2022 and the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 11th May, 2022 be accepted, approved and signed by the Chairman.

9/2022 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

The Chairman took this opportunity to thank everyone who had been instrumental in making the Thank You party for the volunteers, who had worked so tirelessly to deliver the vaccinations being administered by Cornwell's Chemists. The event was incredibly successful and enjoyed by all, Cllr. Jones paid special tribute to Cllr. Mrs. K. M. Perry MBE for the part she had played in the organisation and the ultimate success of the event. Cllr. Mrs. K. M. Perry would be advising the Parish Council on other matters in relation to the joint working between Cornwell's Chemists and the Parish Council later in the meeting.

The Chairman also advised the meeting that he was very pleased to announce that South Staffordshire Council had now carried out the construction of a new fence between Landywood Halt and the Landywood Playing Field. Cllr. Jones was pleased to advise Members that the fencing appeared to be very robust and that the Clerk was to continue to press South Staffordshire Council to carry out the planting of a Hawthorn Hedge at the next available planting season. This was noted.

The Chairman then took the opportunity to thank everyone who had been involved in the Platinum Jubilee Celebrations which included thanks to Cllr. Mrs. K. M. Perry MBE, Cllr. R. Perry, Cllr. A. Newell, Cllr. A. J. Kelsey, Mrs. Pauline Kelsey, Mr. R. Vernals, Mr. B. Mills, Rev. Monica Judson, Rev. Chris Lambert, Great Wyrley History Society, Great Wyrley Academy, PRP Security, Great Wyrley Community Band and last but not least the staff at Great Wyrley Parish Council.

The Lighting of the Beacon Ceremony had been very well attended indeed and Rev. Monica Judson and Rev. Chris Ambler had given a lovely service leading up to the lighting of the Beacon itself, which along with the traditional entertainment

from the Great Wyrley Community Band was much enjoyed by everyone in attendance.

The Chairman then referred to the Children's Street Party, which took place on the morning of 2nd June which had needed a lot of hard work to make such a success and the fact that the children and adults alike all seemed to enjoy it so much made it well worth it.

The Chairman then referred to the Afternoon Tea which had been laid on for the Senior Citizens of the Village which had received a great deal of very heartening feedback. Cllr. Jones thanked everyone for their efforts on the Parish Council's behalf and specifically referred to the kind services of Brian Mills who had spent a great deal of time setting up the film show for the afternoon tea, which had proved problematical at some points, but won through in the end. Cllr. Jones also referred to the kindness of Great Wyrley Local History Society for not only the loan of their equipment for this event but also for putting on such an interesting exhibition of local events from the past, which was a real joy to see. This was noted by Members.

10/2022 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The Chairman suspended Standing Orders in order to allow members of the public to address the Parish Council with any questions they may wish to pose. There were three members of the public present in the gallery on this occasion.

A resident of Great Wyrley asked of the Parish Council whether it was going to correct what he considered to be an error in agenda item 5(e) which referred to a decision by the Information Commissioner as relating to land at Station Street, Cheslyn Hay. The resident insisted that this decision related to the release of information and was nothing to do with the land stated on the agenda. The Chairman advised the resident that if the Parish Council felt that an alteration to the sentence referred to was necessary then it would be changed. If the Parish Council did not consider this necessary and then it would not.

The Chairman invited the other members of the public in the gallery to address the Parish Council. There were no further questions. The Chairman reinstated Standing Orders.

11/2022 (a) CLERK'S REPORTS TO COUNCIL

The Chairman advised the Parish Council that the Parish Administrator had prepared a statement which she would like to bring to Member's attention prior to their consideration of the Agenda Item regarding the Annual Governance and Accountability Return.

The Parish Administrator gave the following statement: -

"Thank you, Chairman, for allowing me to address Members. I just have a couple of items that I would like to address in respect of the closing of the financial year ending 31st March 22 and reopening of the 22/23 accounts.

As you are all aware I am not an accountant, but do have experience in reconciling data and after one hell of a crash course in public accounts I am slowly, but surely understanding why, where and what impact, figures have on the annual accounts.

The newly appointed finance package, Scribe Accounts, that the Parish Council has procured runs and reconciles the accounts from the very first stage of receiving an invoice or receipt right through to producing a cash book and data reports

compliant with the Annual Governance and Accountability Return, know to you and I as the AGAR.

My role is to ensure that any payment or credit made or received by the Parish Council has sufficient paperwork for the instruction. As the administrator I do not have the capacity to authorise or make payments. I am intending to input the data and reconcile it on a monthly basis, I then report to the Responsible Financial Officer, Mrs McGlue, who in turn reports to you as Members, the Internal Auditor and the External Auditor.

After the mass data input of the records for 21/22 we have now successfully fully implemented the Scribe Accounting system. This has been and will continue to be a learning curve; however, the support given by the Scribe accountants and the Internal Auditor has been invaluable.

Now all the data has been reconciled I would like to inform Members that the Paid Accounts for year ending March 2022 that are currently on the website will be replaced and updated over the next few weeks to reflect errors that were pick up through the final checks. These errors were mainly dates showing incorrectly and the of sum of 34 pence which I had incorrectly entered over two invoices. The 34 pence have been the bane of my life for the last 3 weeks, but at last we found it. It took so long because of the amount of raw data going in at one time. This situation should hopefully not rise again, as the accounts will be fully reconciled at the close of each monthly bank statement.

Following the advice from the Internal Auditor and the Support Team from Scribe I have suspended all data input until the accounts for 21/22 have been accepted and closed down and the carry forward figures successfully brought forward. This will ensure a smooth reconciliation and starting point for the year 22/23.

My intention is that during the month of July and August the new year will be opened up and reconciled month by month. This should then produce a much seamless year end next year in April 2023.

This does mean that the previously used excel spreadsheet will be used for June and July for Accounts to the Authorised and possibly August for the delegated powers. This will ensure that we do not create a situation where services are suspended or penalty charges applied for late payments.

I am hoping that in September I should be in the position to present fully reconciled paid accounts from April right through to August, and again in October for the mid-year audit.

I understand that this is not ideal as it does mean that Members and electorates currently have no vision of the paid accounts to date for this current year, but if anyone has any queries or wishes to see any of the invoices or receipts waiting to be inputted please do not hesitate to ask.

I appreciate, respect and support the electorates right to challenge the accounts and I will be available to converse with any electorate that wishes to exercise their public right to view the accounts via appointment within the inspection period. I will, with best endeavours answer any queries within the appointment time, but as this is my first year of involvement from the cashbook stage on to the AGAR I may have to report back to the electorate within an achievable agreed date. However; I would like it noted that in this appointment I am not willing to discuss anyone or anything that is not in relation to the accounts ending in March 2022.

May I take this opportunity to thank Members for their patience and their continued trust and support.”

The Chairman thanked the Parish Administrator for the information she had just shared with Members.

The following agenda item related entirely to the AGAR Form which needed to be understood and agreed by Council prior to submission to Mazars (External Auditors) by 30th June, 2022. The Clerk had received confirmation from the Parish Council that the contents of the AGAR document had been received and understood prior to the meeting. This confirmation also included the agreement by all Members to write off an amount £143.09; an explanation for which was presented in the Internal Auditor’s report.

11/2022 Internal Auditors recommendations

It was proposed by Cllr. Mrs. O. Brazier and seconded by Cllr. Mrs. J. A. Johnson that the recommendations in the Internal Auditors Report be approved and acted upon.

As Members recalled the Parish Council now subscribed to a computer package which it was intended would not only produce the Parish Council Annual Accounts but also automatically compile the Annual Governance and Accountability Return for 2021/22.

The AGAR form comprises two sections which required approval under consecutive minute references as follows:-

12/2022 Section 1 - Annual Governance Statement 2021/22

It was proposed by Cllr. Mrs. O. Brazier and seconded by Cllr. Mrs. J. A. Johnson that the Annual Governance Statement be approved and signed for the year ended 31st March, 2022. It was carried.

13/2022 Section 2 - Accounting Statements 2021/22

It was proposed by Cllr. Mrs. O. Brazier and seconded by Cllr. Mrs. J. A. Johnson that the Accounting Statements for 2021/22 be approved and signed for the year ended 31st March, 2022. It was carried.

14/2022 (b) Internet Provision

Members were already aware that the Parish Council’s Internet provision went down (albeit with two periods of activity over that period when the internet flashed back on for 30 minutes) on 16th May, the battle to be reconnected then continued for a further two and half weeks. The much awaited replacement router finally arrived on Saturday 3rd June, having been addressed by Vodafone to Sian Carpenter, Landywood Lane, Walsall. There was an extremely long and frustrating tale behind getting the Parish Council to this point, which included not being able to update the website or communicate by email to name but a few. However, more interestingly, the Parish Council was now set to receive substantial financial compensation and an enhanced contract going forward. The new contract would provide doubled speeds in both uploading and downloading time and provide a guaranteed Wifi connection to every room in the building for less cost than was presently being paid to Vodafone under the existing contract. This was noted by Members.

The Clerk advised the meeting that, in consultation with the Chairman, the Parish Council had agreed to this offer on the basis that Vodafone appeared to be no

worse in comparison with any other internet provider. This decision can be reviewed whenever the Parish Council wished to, however, it would have taken a longer period of time to enter into a new contract with another provider than it was going to take to get back up and running with the existing provider and unfortunately, there was no more time to be lost in terms of work and productivity. This was noted by Members.

15/2022 (c) Escalation of vandalism in Great Wyrley

Members were already aware that the level of vandalism in the village had now reached absolutely intolerable proportions and unfortunately, at the present time there seemed to be very little that any agency could do to take control over it.

Members were, however, unaware that added to the constant setting fire to bins and general damage being caused to anything the vandals felt would cause maximum nuisance; on Wednesday evening a group climbed on to the Polycarbonate canopy to the rear of the Community Centre. They were witnessed by Community Centre staff and did not stay up there long. However, it was also not long until they returned and again accessed the canopy to enable them to throw a brick at one of the high windows into the main Hall. The window was smashed resulting in all the glass and other detritus being found on the floor of the Main Hall on Thursday morning. Fortunately, the glass had not penetrated the sprung floor which had been surprising considering the sharpness of the shards and the nature of the wooden floor.

The Parish Council Ground Staff had now effected repairs to the window and all was well for the moment. However, the vandals had also managed to get a wheelie bin from inside the metal railings surrounding the Community Centre; they then set fire to it on Landywood Lane Playing Field. This behaviour had, of course, led to serious concern regarding the wheelie bins which were loaned to the Parish Council by South Staffordshire Council. These were presently stored to the side of the Community Centre awaiting collection. Hopefully, they would escape damage but this could not be guaranteed.

The Clerk advised the meeting that earlier in the same week leading up to the Jubilee Celebrations a group of vandals chose to target the portable toilets which had been delivered for use at the Platinum Party in the Park. The field had been covered with toilet tissue and soaps; fortunately, the toilets had not been pushed over. The field was subsequently cleared and the event took place. However, on Monday it was discovered when visiting the school field to facilitate the return of the portable toilets to Tardis Environmental the bins had been strewn all over the field, yet again, and the litter deposited everywhere.

The Parish Clerk was extremely concerned to advise Members that on Thursday evening (9th June) six youths gained access to the Polycarbonate canopy which covers the play area to the rear of the Community Centre. This was not only extremely annoying but it was also very dangerous to the safety of the youths. The Parish Council agreed that it could not afford to ignore this matter as it could find itself in a position where it could be held responsible for neglecting to take action.

Cllr. Mrs. K. M. Perry MBE suggested that signs should be strategically placed around the building in the form of a disclaimer of any responsibility for accident or injury following unauthorised entry onto Parish Council property. The Clerk was to action this suggestion.

The Clerk also drew Members attention to the large scale fire damage which had been suffered by the concrete skatepark in April and to the damage which had been caused by digging at the concrete foundations to the corners of the Skate

Park which now required underpinning to retain its stability. The Clerk had now received a quotation from A. T. Webb Builders of Cannock to carry out the necessary underpinning to the skate park for approximately £900 (this relates to the area referred to above. However, A. T. Webb and Co. have also advised the Clerk that there may be a far more economical way to repair the fire damage to the concrete Skate Park which would negate the need to spend the £10,000 the Parish Council had already been advised that these repairs may cost.

These matters were fully discussed and a number of suggestions put forward which may or may not alleviate the immediate problem. Cllr. J. C. Jones felt that it may be possible to utilise the existing CCTV mechanism to cover the Landywood Lane Playing Field. Cllr. Mrs. K. M. Perry MBE felt that this would not be particularly effective in that it could only be viewed by Staffordshire Police and any request to view the CCTV cameras would need solid based evidence to do so.

Following discussion, the Parish Council **resolved** to have signs produced ensuring that anyone trying to gain access to any part of the Community Centre would be doing so at their own risk and that the Parish Council would take no responsibility whatsoever for accident or injury which may occur during any incidence of unauthorised attempts at access.

Cllr. A. Newell advised the meeting that he felt that this matter should be referred yet again to the British Transport Police to ensure that they controlled the vandals who were entering the village by train from other areas.

(d) Request from resident of Cheslyn Hay to visit his property

The Parish Council had received a request from a resident of Cheslyn Hay to attend a site visit at his property in order to deal with an issue of concern to him. Cllr. J. C. Jones advised the meeting that he would make arrangements to visit the person involved and invited an additional member of the Council to join him on this occasion. Cllr. A. Newell kindly volunteered to accompany Cllr. Jones on the site visit. The Clerk was to make the appropriate arrangements with regard to suitable date and time. This was noted by Members.

(e) Agenda Item (e) ICO Decision on Freedom of Information Request

The Clerk had circulated a copy of the decision made by the Information Commissioner relating to a complaint lodged by a resident of Cheslyn Hay. The content of which was self-explanatory. The Parish Council had now complied with all the requests made by the Information Commissioner to release information which it had been given sight of by Cheslyn Hay Parish Council. In conclusion the Information Commissioner had accepted that the Parish Council does not hold any additional information relating to this matter. This was noted by Members.

(f) Expression of thanks for Platinum Jubilee Events

The Clerk advised the meeting that following the four events which had been held by the Parish Council it had received some very nice comments on social media and it seemed that all who took part in the celebrations thoroughly enjoyed themselves. The Parish Council had also received an extremely nice card from some of the attendees of the Afternoon Tea a copy of which had been circulated to all Members at the meeting.

Cllr. J. C. Jones advised the Clerk that the Parish Council should send letters of thanks to all of the people who had been involved in making the events so successful. The Clerk advised the Chairman that she had already done so.

(g) Appeal re: Out of Area Cemetery Charges

The Parish Council had received a request to consider waiving the out of area multiplication of Cemetery Charges. The Chairman deferred this matter for discussion in camera at the conclusion of the Parish Council meeting.

16/2022 COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Councillor Mrs. K. M. Perry MBE advised the meeting that she did not have a great deal to report at the present time other than the fact that she was sending regular updates through to the Parish Council regarding road works which were taking place. This was noted by Members.

17/2022 DISTRICT COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Cllr. Mrs. J. A. Johnson gave Members a brief report on the activities of South Staffordshire Council. Cllr. Mrs. Johnson advised the meeting that she understood that there would be a need to discuss the latest roll out of blue bags.

Cllr. Mrs. S. Toddington advised the meeting that she did not have a complaint to make regarding the blue bags. However, she did have an issue relating to the blue bins in that there had not been anything like as much clear information received as to what can be disposed of in your blue bin and what cannot.

Cllr. Mrs. O. Brazier advised the meeting that there were a number of properties in the village which had not received their blue bags. Cllr. Mrs. Brazier suggested that if the Parish Council was given a supply of blue bags it could dispense these on behalf of the District Council. Cllr. Mrs. Johnson felt that this would not be workable on the basis that the District Council needed to operate this scheme itself properly.

18/2022 REPORTS FROM PARISH COUNCILLORS

ROAD CLOSURES

Cllr. Mrs. O. Brazier advised the meeting that she was concerned that Shaws Lane would be closed and that this was going to cause a great deal of disruption by motorists accessing Shaws Lane from the other end. Cllr. Mrs. K. M. Perry MBE advised the meeting that on this occasion the works were carried out by an outside agency and as such did not have any jurisdiction over these issues. If emergency works were required then they would be carried out with no prior notification.

Cllr. Mrs. O. Brazier was advised of the various different methods available to garner this information. This was noted by Members.

RAMP SECTION OF WALL BETWEEN LANDYWOOD PLAYING FIELD AND GATE TO COMMUNITY CENTRE

Cllr. J. C. Jones advised the meeting that it had come to everyone's notice that it was quite difficult to access the field with heavy objects during the Jubilee Celebrations. On this basis Members were asked for their views on having a small ramp constructed each side of the wall at the point where it is level with the metal gateway. Cllr. Mrs. K. M. Perry MBE felt that this action should have the benefit of the builder's opinion prior to any works being carried out to ensure that this would not compromise the effectiveness of the flood retention wall. Cllr. J. C. Jones agreed that this matter needed to be considered by the builder prior to any action being taken.

DILAPIDATED NOTICE BOARDS

Cllr. J. C. Jones advised the meeting that the Parish Council Noticeboard at the Cemetery was now in need of replacement.

Cllr. Jones also mentioned that during the Beacon Lighting Cemetery it had come to his notice that the Notice Board on the Millennium Green was also in serious need of refurbishment. The Clerk was requested to contact the owners of the Noticeboard with an offer to take over the Noticeboard for the future. Cllr. Mrs. K. M. Perry MBE advised the Parish Council that the Noticeboard was situated on Parish Council land and as the original organisation was dissolved very many years ago they no longer had any jurisdiction over the Notice Board. This was noted by Members.

QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE TREE CANOPY

Cllr. J. C. Jones advised the meeting that he had now attended a site meeting with Mr. T. Poulton and Mr. T. Vaughan to discuss the position for the planting of a Red Amber Tree which had been donated to the British Legion by the Hollybush Garden Centre. Once the tree had been established there would be a dedication service for it. Following discussion regarding the position selected Cllr. Mrs. K. M. Perry MBE advised the Parish Council that it should be very mindful regarding the positioning of this tree, on the basis that if it is planted too close to the neighbouring properties the Parish Council could find itself, yet again, in a position where it needed to incur expense to maintain a tree which was not officially in its ownership.

Cllr. Mrs. J. A. Johnson also felt that this matter could lead to future problems. Full discussion took place on this matter and it was established that the tree would reach size of 10 metres by 6 metres.

The Chairman kindly offered to revisit this issue and was to confer with the Parish Council's Head Grounds Man in this regard. This was noted.

LETTER OF THANKS TO VOLUNTEERS BY SIR GAVIN WILLIAMSON MP

Cllr. Mrs. K. M. Perry MBE advised the meeting that she had received a letter from Sir Gavin Williamson MP thanking everyone for the party which was held for the Volunteers and to say how well Great Wyrley had stood up to the task of getting shots into arms and delivering a national service to all. The volunteers deserve the greatest recognition. Cllr. Mrs. Perry was to provide the Clerk with a copy of the letter and it could then be placed on the Notice Boards.

CHARITY DONATIONS

Cllr. Mrs. K. M. Perry advised the meeting that during the period that the Community Centre was being used as a Covid Vaccination Centre many of the older generation were so grateful to be receiving assistance in this way that they started making donations at the Centre. During this time the younger members of the volunteer group asked the question as to where these donations would be going.

At the time, there were a number of suggestions put forward, however, as the cohort began to comprise considerably younger people the donations started to dissipate. During that time Cllr. Mrs. K. M. Perry MBE had requested that a chart be published on a wall within the centre which would show everyone how much had been collected, however, this did not materialise. Subsequently a large scroll was erected giving a list of all the charities. The scroll included a number of charities of which one of Cornwell's employees was a Trustee. The plan was to divide the donations between the charities listed, however, the charities listed were all

Wolverhampton based, a point which was not greeted well by local people. Subsequently quite a few conversations took place to ensure that everyone understood that at least part of the amount raised needed to be donated to local organisations. A message was then released asking for the names of local organisations which were felt to fit the bill. The amount of money which had been raised was quite considerable. Cllr. Mrs. Perry advised the meeting that in her view it would be much more appropriate to have some kind of tribute to the volunteers be it a bench or some other form of tribute. The solution reached was that the amount raised would be split down the middle with 50% going to Cornwell's Charities and 50% going to Great Wyrley and Cheslyn Hay charities. The local organisations now have a collective donation of £800.00.

Following discussion the Parish Council **resolved** to give this item more thought with a view to making a decision at a future meeting of the Parish Council as to where the donations could be best utilised. It was carried.

19/2022 REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES

REPORT FROM STAFFORDSHIRE POLICE SERVICE

A copy of the latest report from Staffordshire Police Service had been circulated to all Members.

LANDYWOOD VOLUNTARY HELP CENTRE

Cllr. Mrs. J. A. Johnson advised the meeting that she had arranged and funded a Lunch Party at the Landywood Voluntary Help Centre for the Platinum Jubilee. Cllr. Mrs. Johnson had received assistance from various directions including from her own family and it had been a very enjoyable event. Cllr. Mrs. Johnson also advised the meeting that she would be hosting a stall at the Carnival. This was noted by Members.

GREAT WYRLEY CARNIVAL COMMITTEE

Cllr. A. J. Kelsey advised the meeting that the carnival was due to take place on Saturday 25th June and not only had they got 44 stall holders but also 7 or 8 floats for the procession. Unfortunately, there had been some difficulty in making sure the procession could take place, but this had now been resolved. Cllr. Kelsey explained that he had also received offers of assistance from new sources for which he was very grateful; one of which was a family of residents from Hall Lane who had kindly offered to help putting up the gazebos up and tables out etc. This was especially useful as the Committee had just purchased an oversized gazebo to house the Bake Off Competition.

Cllr. J. C. Jones took this opportunity to thank Cllr. Kelsey for the amazing job the Carnival Committee does and referred to the debt that Great Wyrley owed to the Carnival Committee for putting on this brilliant event.

Cllr. Kelsey also advised the meeting that Sir Gavin Williamson MP would be in attendance at the Carnival. Cllr. Kelsey felt that if the rest of the country had the amazing spirit that Great Wyrley had the country would be in a better place.

Cllr. Mrs. K. M. Perry MBE advised the meeting that the 12 bins which had been delivered to the Parish Council for use at the Party in the Park could actually be utilised at the Carnival and arrangements were made for Mr. T. Vaughan to deliver the wheelie bins directly to the Scout and Guide Centre on Friday 24th June.

20/2022 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

22/00535/FUL – PROPOSED 2 STOREY SIDE AND SINGLE STOREY REAR EXTENSION, INTERNAL ALTERATIONS AND EXTENDING FRONT DRIVE WAY AT 352 WALSALL ROAD, GREAT WYRLEY – THE PARISH COUNCIL HAD NO OBJECTION TO THIS PROPOSAL BUT RESERVED THE RIGHT TO SUPPORT NEIGHBOUR OBJECTIONS SHOULD THE NEED ARISE.

22/00270/FUL – AMENDED PLANS FOR SECOND STOREY EXTENSION OVER GARAGE AT 25 STATION ROAD, GREAT WYRLEY – THE PARISH COUNCIL HAD NO OBJECTIONS TO THIS PROPOSAL. BUT RESERVED THE RIGHT TO SUPPORT NEIGHBOUR OBJECTIONS SHOULD THE NEED ARISE.

22/00468/FUL – DOUBLE STOREY FRONT AND SIDE EXTENSION AND SINGLE STOREY REAR AND SIDE EXTENSION AND PARTIAL NEW ROOF AND DORMERS AT THE BIRCHES, HAZEL LANE, GREAT WYRLEY. THE PARISH COUNCIL HAD NO OBJECTIONS TO THIS APPLICATION BUT RESERVED THE RIGHT TO SUPPORT NEIGHBOUR OBJECTIONS IF REQUIRED.

22/00317/FUL – ERECTION OF PAIR OF SEMI-DETACHED TWO STOREY DWELLINGS AT HOLLYHURST, HOLLY LANE, CHESLYN HAY. MEMBERS WERE CONCERNED THAT THERE WAS NO SITE PLAN WITH THIS APPLICATION. THE CLERK WAS TO RESEARCH THIS APPLICATION FURTHER, PRIOR TO RESPONDING TO THE CONSULTATION.

22/00357/FUL – RETENTION OF AGRICULTURAL BARN AT LANDYWOOD FARM HOUSE, LANDYWOOD FARM LANE, GREAT WYRLEY. MEMBERS WERE CONCERNED THAT THE BARN IN QUESTION MAY HAVE BEEN PART OF THE SITE WHICH SHOULD HAVE BEEN DEMOLISHED PRIOR TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE SITE. THE CLERK WAS TO RESEARCH THIS MATTER FURTHER AND CONTINUE TO SUPPORT NEIGHBOUR OBJECTIONS IF REQUIRED.

22/00332/FUL – TWO STOREY REAR EXTENSION AT 142a WALSALL ROAD, GREAT WYRLEY – THE PARISH COUNCIL OBJECTED TO THIS APPLICATION ON THE BASIS THAT IT REPRESENTED OVERDEVELOPMENT AND THAT THERE WERE VERY SERIOUS OBJECTIONS FROM THE NEIGHBOURING PROPERTY OWNERS.

22/00414/TTREE – TREE PRESERVATION ORDER 16/1975 CROWN REDUCTION BY UP TO 50% TO A CEDAR AT 105 WALSALL ROAD, GREAT WYRLEY – THIS APPLICATION WAS AN AMENDMENT TO AN APPLICATION WHICH THE PARISH COUNCIL DETERMINED THE PREVIOUS MONTH. THE AMENDMENT REFERRED TO THE FACT THAT THE ORIGINAL APPLICATION REFERRED IN ERROR TO TWO TREES AND THERE IS ONLY ONE INVOLVED. THE PARISH COUNCIL HAD NO OBJECTIONS TO THIS WORK PROVIDED THE WORKS WERE BEING CARRIED OUT WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE COUNCIL'S ABORICULTURAL OFFICER.

22/00463/FUL -GROUND AND FIRST FLOOR REAR EXTENSIONS TO MAIN HOUSE, REAR EXTENSION TO GARAGE, NEW FRONT BOUNDARY WALL AND NEW SIDE BOUNDARY WALL/PIERS WITH TIMBER FENCING AT 367 WALSALL ROAD, GREAT WYRLEY – MEMBERS OBJECTED TO THIS APPLICATION ON THE BASIS THE JUNCTION IS EXTREMELY DANGEROUS AND FEEL IT SHOULD BE REFUSE DON HIGHWAY GROUNDS.

22/00544/FUL – DEMOLITION OF EXISTING BUILDING AND ERECTION OF NEW BUILDING FOR FLEXIBLE USE IN ACCORDANCE WITH CLASS V OF PART 3 OF SCHEDULE 2 OF THE GENERAL PERMITTED DEVELOPMENT

9 ENGLAND) ORDER (20215) A AMENDED WITH ASSOCIATED PARKING AND LOADING AREAS AT LANDYWOOD ENTERPRISE PARK THE PARISH COUNCIL AGREED TO SUPPORT NEIGHBOUR VIEWS ON THIS APPLICATION.

22/00004/FUL – DEMOLITION OF EXISTING BUILDINGS AND REDEVELOPMENT OF SITE TO DELIVER A 90 BEDROOM RESIDENTIAL CARE HOME AT FORMEW GREAT WYRLEY COMMUNITY SUPPORT UNIT AT 156 WALSALL ROAD, GREAT WYRLEY – MEMBERS OBJECTED TO THIS APPLICATION ON THE BASIS THAT IS OVER DEVELOPMENT OF THE SITE

On another matter, both Cllr. Mrs. J.A. Johnson and Cllr. Mrs. K. M. Perry MBE drew members attention to the fact the site referred to above had become very overgrown and was in need of attention on public safety grounds. This matter had been reported to the appropriate authorities.

21/2022 REPORT OF OUTSTANDING ACCOUNTS

A report on the outstanding accounts for authorisation for payment was presented to Council and it was **resolved** that the report be accepted, approved and signed by the Chairman.

22/2022 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

Resolved that in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted that the public and press be excluded and that they are instructed to withdraw in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 Section 12.

23/2022 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Following discussion the Parish Council unanimously **resolved to** support the recommendations included in the Clerk's Confidential Report. The Parish Council also agreed that a policy needed to be developed to deal with requests of this nature going forward.

The meeting closed at 9.50 p.m.

Chairman