

LITTLE LEIGH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT 7PM ON 13 APRIL 2023 IN THE VILLAGE HALL

1) Attendance

Councillors Ayre, Beecroft, King and McSweeney were present. Apologies were received from councillors Jones and Lawless and Ward councillors Gibbon, Marshall and Wright.

2) Declarations of interest

- As all the parish councillors lived in or near the village they all had personal interests. In addition Cllr Jones was a trustee of the Little Leigh Community Trust and Councillor Jones was also a trustee of the Village Hall Management Committee.

3) Public submissions

- There were no public submissions

4) Minutes of March meeting

Resolution 1:13.04.23 The minutes of the meeting held on 9 March 2023 were approved. Proposed Cllr King seconded Cllr Beecroft voting unanimous.

5) Clerk's report

- The picnic bench had been installed on the Trent and Mersey canal towpath.
- Easter events had been enjoyed by those who attended.
- Coronation preparation workshops would be held on 14 and 21 April. A comprehensive programme of events was planned for the Coronation May bank holiday weekend.
- Six parish councillors had been elected unopposed leaving one vacancy to be filled by co- option.
- The Chairman would write regarding parking issues.
- The Clerk had requested a litter bin to be placed outside the school near the new Coronation bench. CWAC's response was awaited.

6) Correspondence

- Correspondence from CWAC, the Police, ChALC, NALC and Neighbourhood Watch had been circulated.

7) Finance

Resolution 2 :13.04.23 The following receipts and payments were proposed by Cllr Beecroft seconded by Cllr Ayre Voting unanimous

£8641	Income CWAC precept
£136.36	Income CWAC
£1170	National lottery coronation bench
£180.19	ChALC membership fee
£95	Chris Swallow Ltd internal audit
£8	Mid Cheshire footpath society membership fee
£312	Clerk working at home allowance 2023
£60	PQR Ltd pension registration
£808.93	Zurich Municipal insurance
£5.90	Clerk name badge and picnic bench sign
£TBC	Coronation bench.

The balance in the account as at 13 April was £22,301.55

Councillors agreed unanimously that the Clerk would be paid for 6 hours per week at the rate of £14.75 per hour, scale point 20. 7 hours of overtime was needed for finance work and attending CWAC election meetings.

- *Resolution 3: 13.04.2023 Councillors completed the Annual Governance statement certificate of exemption ended 31 March 2023 and the Chairman and the Clerk signed the relevant parts of the form*
Proposed Cllr Beecroft seconded by Cllr McSweeney Voting Unanimous
- *Resolution 4 13.04.2023 Councillors completed section 1 of the annual return for the year and the Chairman and Clerk signed the form.*
Proposed Cllr Beecroft seconded by Cllr McSweeney Voting Unanimous
- *Resolution 5: 13.04.2023 Councillors reviewed and approved the assets register produced by the Clerk for 2022/23*
Proposed Cllr King seconded Cllr Beecroft Voting unanimous
- *Resolution 6: 13.04.2023 Councillors reviewed and agreed the 2022/23 risk assessment. Proposed Cllr Ayre seconded Cllr King Voting unanimous*
- *Resolution 7: 13.04.2023 Councillors approved the statement of receipts and payments for 2022/23 produced by the Clerk as presenting fairly the financial position of the Parish Council for the year ended 31 March 2023*
Proposed Cllr Beecroft Seconded Cllr McSweeney Voting Unanimous
- *Resolution 8: 13.04.2023 Councillors approved the bank reconciliation produced by the Clerk for 2022/23*
Proposed Cllr Ayre seconded Cllr McSweeney Voting unanimous
- *Resolution 9: 13.04.2023 Councillors reviewed and approved the significant variations between the years ended March 31 2022 and 2023*
Proposed Cllr Beecroft seconded Cllr McSweeney Voting unanimous
- *Resolution 10: 13.04.2023 Councillors approved the Accounting statements for 2022/23 and the Chairman and Clerk signed the form*
Proposed Cllr Beecroft seconded Cllr McSweeney Voting unanimous

11) **Planning**

- Parklands Willowgreen Lane-pending with CWAC
- Hydrogen pipeline-pending with CWAC
- Winnington TATA estate-pending with CWAC
- Shutley Farm-pending with CWAC
- Agricultural development Shutley Lane Cllr Ayre had written to the MP
- Bluegrass Kennels-pending with CWAC
- Willowgreen Farm-pending with CWAC
- Church Farm-pending with CWAC

12) Date of next meeting 25 May 2023 AGM and APM

The meeting closed at 7.30pm.