MEETING OF BEAUSALE HASELEY HONILEY AND WROXALL PARISH COUNCIL 30 NOVEMBER 2022 AT WREN HALL WROXALL

Present -

Cllr J Gee (Chair)

Cllr N Gumley (minutes)

Cllr D Clapp

Cllr E Cantwell

Cllr H Jones

Cllr R Slatem (joined later in meeting)

Cllr J Cooke (WCC)

Cllr G Illingworth (WDC)

1.	Welcome	Action
	Cllr Gee welcomed everyone to the Meeting.	
	Apologies	
	Cllr R Hales(WDC)	
2.	Public Open Forum	
	Meeting joined for this item only by Cllr M Wood Shrewley PC. He informed the meeting	
	that a Low Carbon Network Warwickshire Group (LCN) had been set up to do things	
	locally to help avert climate change. Shrewley PC and Wren Hall are supportive of holding	
	a local Workshop to see what local ideas there may be such as planting trees or other initiatives.	
	A Public Meeting will take place at Wren Hall on the morning of Saturday 18 March 2023	
	in the form of presentations and workshops to gauge local interest and ideas.	
	It will be done through the LCN and they have funding to pay for the Hall and	
	refreshments. All Councillors were in favour – the idea is linked to the Parishes and Wren	
	Hall but is separate from them and does not burden them with extra work.	
	The suggested name for the Group was Shrewley and Wroxall Environment Action Team –	
	RSA will promote it locally – Cllr Wood will advertise the event in Ferncombe News and	
	PC's will put details on their websites. Nothing further for PC to do at this stage pending	
	hearing more from Cllr Wood.	
3.	Minutes of Last Meeting	
	The Minutes of the Parish Council meeting on 19 October 2022 were accepted and signed	
	as a true record.	
	All Councillors were in favour.	
4.	Matters Arising	10
	a) Cllr Gee to ensure up to date details regarding the Solar Farm application are on the PC	JG
	website.	
	b) Payment to Ferncombe News has been made.c) Appointment of new Clerk to be discussed later in the Meeting.	
	d) Sign on verge of Warwickshire Court Hotel – Cllr Cooke indicated that advertising	JG
	consent is required from WDC – Cllr Gee to take forward with WDC.	10
	e) Cllr Gee has written to Sir Jeremy Wright MP and understands that he proposes to	
	object to the new Solar Farm application. Cllr Gee to follow up since his objection does	JG
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	not currently appear on WDC website. Cllr Cooke indicated that there was no timescale	

5. WDC Report – Cllr George Illingworth

An Economic Needs Assessment document containing 332 pages is currently under discussion which includes future housing needs in Warwickshire.

6. WCC Report – Cllr John Cooke

Lapworth & West Kenilworth Division County Council News December 2022

A46 Stoneleigh Junction Closure: January 2023

To minimise disruption during the Christmas period, Warwickshire County Council has taken the decision to delay the move of the Stoneleigh Junction bridge deck until the new year.

To allow this move to take place, closures will be in place along the A46 between 17 January and 22 January. Further details on closure extents and timings will be provided closer to the move. On the stated days, diversion routes will be well-signposted throughout.

The overall aim of the Stoneleigh Junction scheme is to reduce the regular delays and queueing traffic, improve road safety for all users and ensure the junction has the capacity that will be required to meet future growth in the sub-region.

The Stoneleigh Junction Scheme is being funded by W.C.C. The Department for Transport, the West Midlands Combined Authority with developer contributions from the University of Warwick and Whitley South Works through the Coventry & Warwickshire Development Partnership.

Public spaces offer a warm welcome this winter

Health guidelines recommend that people heat the rooms they are using to 18°C to avoid health complications such as heart problems, hypothermia, or exacerbation of existing medical conditions. However, with the rising costs of energy bills and other household expenses, many people are finding it harder to heat their homes sufficiently.

Warm Welcome locations have been established in various facilities across the county for those who are struggling with energy costs or who are feeling vulnerable or isolated. Residents are invited to attend on their own or with their family or friends, to have a safe and warm place to spend some time.

Participating venues include:

- Warwickshire libraries open throughout the week, with coffee mornings, "crafternoon" tea and other events taking place
- Market Hall Museum in Warwick additional events and opening hours
- <u>Warwickshire County Record Office</u> additional opening hours to access online family history resources, expertise and refreshments
- Warwickshire County Council's <u>mobile library service</u> makes 250 stops across the county
- Up to 80 community-led warm hubs through the <u>Warwickshire Rural Community</u>
 <u>Council Winter Warm Hubs Project</u>
- Warm hubs in wholetime fire stations through Warwickshire Fire and Rescue Service
- Additional hubs set up by district and borough council partners.

 There is a dedicated page on the Cost of Living website for <u>Warm Welcome</u> locations.

UKHSA update on scarlet fever and invasive Group A strep

The latest data from the UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) shows that scarlet fever cases continue to remain higher than we would typically see at this time of year.

Scarlet fever is usually a mild illness, but it is highly infectious. Therefore, look out for symptoms in your child, which include a sore throat, headache, and fever, along with a fine, pinkish or red body rash with a sandpapery feel. On darker skin, the rash can be more difficult to detect visually but will have a sandpapery feel. Contact NHS 111 or your GP if you suspect your child has scarlet fever, because early treatment of scarlet fever with antibiotics is important to reduce the risk of complications such as pneumonia or a bloodstream infection. If your child has scarlet fever, keep them at home until at least 24 hours after the start of antibiotic treatment to avoid spreading the infection to others.

Staying warm and active during the winter months

Keeping active during the winter months can feel like an uphill struggle. Wintry conditions and reduced daylight hours can lead to people being less active during this time.

Being physically active can help to improve health and wellbeing, even 10 minutes a day of physical activity can boost your mood. Adults should aim to be active for at least 2.5 hours a week and being active in bouts of 10 minutes or more is a great way to start. Whether you're looking to include more exercise at home or outdoors, there are plenty of ways to include more activity in your daily routine on the Keeping Active webpage.

If you're unable to go out for a walk, have mobility issues or simply want to do something inside your home, there are specific seated exercises to be found by going to www.warwickshire.gov.uk/healthy-ageing. The website is a great resource for all levels of fitness and the exercises allow you to go at your own pace and you can even rewind and pause the videos, should you need to.

While exercise can warm you up, continuing to stay warm is also important through the colder months. There are a number of services with advice about keeping yourself and your home heated this winter, visit the <u>Keeping Warm webpage</u> for more information.

Keeping Warwickshire's young people in education, employment or training

A recent publication from the Department for Education (DfE) has shown that, once again, Warwickshire is one of the most successful Counties in the country for ensuring its 16 and 17 year old residents are either in education, employment or training.

All local authorities are required to collect and report information on a young person's post-16 activity, so that the government can publish a national reports and an overall scorecard.

Warwickshire's numbers of young people either not in education, employment or training (NEETs) are currently standing at less than both the regional (West Midlands) and national averages.

This year, Warwickshire has 1.7% of 16 and 17 year olds in a NEET situation (down from 2% in 2021) and 1.7% whose activities were not known (down from 2% in 2021). This gives a combined score of 3.4% (down from 3.8% in 2021) which compares to the West Midlands average of 5% and the England average of 4.7%.

More information about Warwickshire's support for NEET children in Warwickshire can be found online: https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/neet

Law students put school exclusions in the spotlight

When a school decides to exclude a child, it can be a very challenging and uncertain time, not only for the child or young person, but also for their parents and carers.

To help support families through the process, Warwickshire County Council have been working in partnership with The University of Warwick, Bailey Wright and Co Solicitors and Warwickshire Parent Carer Voice to create a resource families can use to better understand the law and their rights.

Working together with students volunteering with Warwick Law in the Community (LinC), an independent legal information resource in the form of a video has been created to help parents, guardians and carers to understand what school exclusions are, how to prevent them through early intervention and what to expect.

This fantastic new resource will be officially launched Yesterday Monday 5th December at the University of Warwick.

Welcome to Warwickshire Heritage Learning

The Heritage and Culture Warwickshire education team are excited to launch their new and redeveloped workshops, classrooms spaces at St John's House, and loan boxes along with the launch of a new name - Warwickshire Heritage Learning.

Schools can experience a brand-new way of learning with a range of immersive and creative workshops that will inspire students and bring the past to life. The subscription loan box service combines real museum objects and virtual learning workshops, making classrooms part of Warwickshire Museum, with the children as the curators of the museum.

Along with the new drama-based workshops, schools will enjoy their school trips in new look spaces at St John's House, Warwick. The first floor has been redeveloped into fantastic learning spaces, with digital resources, along with two dedicated lunch rooms.

For more information on the Warwickshire Heritage Learning visit https://heritage.warwickshire.gov.uk/heritagelearning

John Cooke 6th December 2022

7. Other Meetings Attended

Cllr Gee attended a COP 27 Meeting at Leamington Town Hall.

Cllr Alan Reed (WDC) addressed the PC at an extraordinary meeting on 12 October to explain what other Groups in Warwickshire were doing to help reduce carbon footprint.

Parish Council Matters

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Northleigh House has now confirmed a defibrillator has been fitted and is available to the community following a PC grant.

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9.	Planning Applications	
	Applications Pending	
	<u>Granary House and Hay Wood Grange</u> – decisions to be left to Planning Officers discretion.	
	<u>Claywood</u> – no objection (relates to Cllr Slatem who had not joined the meeting when discussed)	
	Ashlawn, Butlers End – no objection	
	Decisions by WDC	
	<u>Fernwood Barn</u> – PC objected – Appeal – Dismissed on Appeal	
	<u>Cat's Paws</u> – Cllr Clapp attended the meeting – granted	
	<u>Land at The Paddocks Beausale</u> – application for 5 houses – PC objected - Appeal is ongoing.	
10.	Community Events	
	10.1 Celebration of the Coronation of King Charles 2023	
	Cllr Slatem joined the meeting and indicated that he was keen to arrange a celebration of the Coronation at Wren Hall in the form of a Street Party within its grounds. He felt local Parishes should be involved with someone from each part to	

take lead responsibility for their area. He is happy to organise and be the coordinator. He felt it should be PC led as opposed to Wren Hall. Cllr Gee agreed that PC could make a contribution. Cllr Gumley to inform Wren Hall Events Committee of the idea who were due to meet the following evening.

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Cllr Cantwell felt an appropriate tribute to the King would be to strive to ensure when hedges are trimmed the trees within them avoid the cutting process so that they are able to continue their growth. This was successful in Market Harborough. It would be necessary to work with local farmers to mark the trees with brightly coloured tape and a stick to avoid the cutting process. Reference was made to contacting Tom at Home Farm, David Baskerville, David Craddock, Henley Estates and Abbey Farm to take forward this initiative. A PC Working Group of Cllr Cantwell, Cllr Slatem and Cllr Gee was agreed to take this forward with local farms.

EC RS JG

11. Appointment of new Parish Clerk

No response has been received to the updated job description advertised through WALC. A possibility exists for short term cover from the Clerk at Shrewley. Cllr Cooke recommended enquiries at WALC as to present levels of remuneration and appropriate hours which Cllr Gee agreed to take forward. Cllr Gee also proposed to advertise the vacancy at the Wren Hall Christmas Fare. Cllr Clapp recommended a probationary period for anyone appointed.

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12. AOB

Cllr Gee to arrange flowers and thanks for departing Clerk Nikki Forty. All Councillors expressed thanks for the excellent contribution she has made and regret that personal circumstances have made it impossible for her to continue in the role.

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A precept needs to be fixed for next year by 13 January 2023. Cllrs Gee, Slatem and Clapp to meet on 7 December at 7.30pm to discuss and agree this.

JG RS DC

Fly-Tipping and overloaded black bins in lay-bys was discussed and in lanes in the Parishes. A regular need to contact DC Neighbourhood Services for lay-bys was acknowledged. At CC, Michael Newham has now replaced Peter Hallam as Localities Officer.

13. Date of next meeting

25 January 2023 at 7.30pm Wren Hall.

ACTIONS TO COMPLETE	LEAD
Update Solar Farm application on website	
Take forward advertising consent with WDC for Honiley Court Hotel sign	JG
Establish if local MP has recorded Solar Farm objection on website.	
Inform Wren Hall Events Committee of Cllr Slatem's proposal for Coronation	NG
Celebration.	
Contact local farmers regarding preservation of trees during hedge cutting process	EC/RS/JG
Enquire remuneration/hours for Clerk with WALC	JG
Arrange flowers and thanks to departing Clerk	JG
Fix next year's precept	JG/RS/DC