## CORELEY PARISH COUNCIL

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# Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held at Coreley Village Hall Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2022 at 7.00 pm

- 2021/70 Present Mrs J. Thomas (Chairman) Mr. V Romeo (Vice-Chairman) Mrs. A. Austin Mrs. C Clayton Also Present: Mrs. S. Jones (Clerk)
- 2021/71 Apologies Mr Terry Hilder, and Mr Ian Smith
- 2021/72 Public participation None
- 2021/73 Declarations of Interest None
- 2021/74 Approval of Minutes

To confirm the Minutes of the Council Meeting held 18<sup>th</sup> November, 2021 The minutes were APPROVED, and it was <u>RESOLVED</u> that the minutes be signed and <u>ADOPTED</u> as a true record. Proposed by Mrs C Clayton & seconded by Mr. V Romeo, minutes to be signed by the Chairman.

#### 2021/75 Clerks Report

**Resignations:** The Parish Council has received resignations from Ms K. Sylvester and Ms I. Jones, the vacancies will be advertised with Shropshire Council.

#### Shropshire Councillor report for December

- 1. Mr Butler has spent time with WSP the Councils highway surveyors who are undertaking a survey of the A4117 from the cattle grid an Clee Hill all the way through to the border at Far Forest excluding the town centre of Cleobury which is under a different scheme. The purpose of this is to put a case together for overall improvement and maintenance and hopefully into the budget for 2022/23. It will look at speeding, drainage and flooding issues signage etc. Once a draft plan is out it will be consulted with all the appropriate Town and Parish Councils for comment. The B4363 is also being looked at from Cleobury to Kinlet taking into account the Six ashes junction and the issue of speeding through Baveney Wood.
- 2. The financial settlement has been received by government and it is only a one year settlement again. We are able to increase Council Tax by 1.99% and another 2% for Adult Social Care a total increase of 3.99% and will be able to produce a balanced budget for 22/23 taking into account further savings of circa £30 million. The details are being sorted and the paper goes to cabinet on the 5<sup>th</sup> January with full consultation thereafter for 6 weeks prior to endorsement in full Council in late February 2022.

- **3.** The future of Acton Scott working farm near Church Stretton will be up for consultation in the spring as it currently costs the Council a considerable amount to subsidise it and we need to look at new ways of working of we can maintain it as being viable in the current financial situation.
- 4. Its precept time again and Mr Butler urges all local councils to look at their precepts and see how they can further support their communities moving forward both with local maintenance via the Lengthmans Scheme and Local voluntary groups and local economy. The financial situation of all Local authorities is going to get even tighter, and the support of local councils will be crucial.
- 5. Mr Butler recently had his Flu jab and booster at Cleobury Medical centre, and it was so pleasing to see so many people attending and being jabbed so quickly and efficiently by the team there for which he and is sure most people reading this are grateful for such a good facility on our door stop as I am.

**Poles on Parish Council Land:** The clerk is unable to find any utility poles are on Parish Council land.

**Footbridge - Brookrow:** The materials have been ordered by Shropshire Council, Works should be completed within the next month.

**Parish Plan:** There are 10 residents interested in becoming involved with the review of the Parish Plan. The Clerk to contact them to start the group off. A number were involved with production of the existing plan, so should be aware that this is not a Parish Council led plan, but the Parish Council will assist and will budget for costs associated with the plan.

**Telephone Line:** A resident believes the trees at the bottom of the play area are affecting the line to their property. The PC cannot confirm that the hedge is their responsibility, it is believed BT have confirmed with the resident that they will trim the trees.

#### 2021/76 Precept Requirement 2022/23

A budget summary was presented by the Clerk, which included a proposed total expenditure of £6,823. It was proposed by JT and seconded by CC, all agreed to request the Precept of £7,440 from Shropshire Council as this represents a "0"% increase of the Parish Council element of the Council tax bill.

### 2021/77 Financial Matters:

#### i) Approved Since last meeting Hugofox – Website Dec Chq No. 107 £35.99 Chg No. 108 S Jones (Salary Oct - Dec) £419.82 Chq No 109 S Jones (HMRC Oct - Dec) £104.80 **Approve Payments** ii) Chq No. 110 A Clayton Contracting – Dec £120.00 Chq No. 111 Hugofox – Website - Januarv £35.99

### 2021/78 Items for next agenda

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 7.50 p.m. The next meeting will be on the 16<sup>th</sup> February, 2022 at 7.00 pm.