



WOMBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING

held on **Monday 18th October 2021** at 7.26pm

This meeting was held in the Council Chamber, Civic Centre, Gravel Hill, Wombourne, WV5 9HA

Present – Committee Members-

Councillors: Barry Bond MBE, Mike Davies (Vice-Chairman), Dan Kinsey, Vince Merrick, John Pike, Mary Roberts (Chairman), Daisy Tait.

Present – Non-Committee Members- Councillor Claire McIlvenna

Acting Clerk – Judy Vasiljevic

70/21 – Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillors Cheryl Davies and Ken Upton.

71/21 – Declarations of Interest

None.

72/21 – Approval of last Committee Meeting minutes

Members approved the minutes of the last meeting.

73/21 – Matters arising from 27th September 2021

None.

74/21 – Christmas Light Switch On

- a. The Chairman informed members St Benedict Biscop Primary School choir had confirmed they would perform a Christmas medley and a more traditional song together with Cherry Trees School choir for the switch on. The Schools brass band would perform a piece of music but couldn't guarantee it would be a Christmas piece. Members agreed it would be lovely to hear whatever piece of music they performed. Acting Clerk to pass this information back to the School.
- b. The Chairman informed members 4 or 5 marshals were required for the firework display and asked for volunteers. Councillors Mike Davies, Vince Merrick, Mary Roberts and Daisy Tait confirmed they would be available to attend and marshal the event. Further volunteers would be sourced by the Chairman.
- c. Councillor Dan Kinsey reported that last year due to Covid19 the Rotary Club was not able to take the sleigh out, so the Community Assistance Group had taken this over. Subsequently the Rotary Club had requested that the sleigh be taken over by a new committee and it has been agreed that the Santa Sleigh Committee would take this on for the future and run as it did last year.

75/21 – Queen's Platinum Jubilee

It was noted that the social media post had gone live and an update would be provided at the next meeting.

76/21 – Wombourne in Bloom

Councillor Dan Kinsey reminded members that awards had already been presented this year to winners of Best Licenced Premises and Best Business Premises. The suggestion is that in view of the incredible display presented each year in Walkers Way they are presented with a wall plate as a long term achievement award. Members agreed to this request, asking to be informed of the cost before the wall plate is purchased.

77/21 – Q2 budget comparison

Members reviewed the report, no queries were raised.

78/21 – Exclusion of the Public and Press

It was **RESOLVED** that under Section 100 (A) (4) of the Local Government Act 1972 and the Public Bodies (Admission to meetings) Act 1960, the press and public be excluded from the meeting of the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information.

The meeting closed at 7.45pm.

Signed:

Dated: