**PRESENT:** L Hurdley (Chairman), D Sandbach, P Williams, R Hemming, Mrs. G Owen, Mrs. C Harvey, R Briscoe, Miss C Pryce, R Williams, Ms A Adams, the clerk, Cllr E Potter and members of the public.

**APOLOGIES for absence accepted from:**  Mrs. S Benniman

**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** Cllr P Williams declared an interest in item 6B and Cllr L Hurdley declared an interest in 5d**.**

# 425. THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING held on the 1st November, 2017 and the extraordinary meeting held on 13th December 2017. Resolved to accept and sign minutes as a true record.

**426. MATTERS arising** from those minutes.

426.1 Commemorative Benches. One has been painted and further paint is required. Plaques are ready.

 426.2 Railway Truck has been removed and safeguarded. New Position to be determined.

 426.3. St Mary's C of E School. The clerk received a letter from the Diocese which stated that following investigation of documents sent by the clerk trustees from Westbury PC were not required.

 426.4 Playing Fields–Yockleton inspected - medium to low risk. Noted.

 426.5 Westbury pitch fee and management plan not required. Noted.

 426.6. Notice board. Cllr Hurdley has board and is waiting for keys.

 426.7. Allotments. Cllr D Sandbach to action.

 426.8. BMX Track. Cllr L Hurdley will take forward.

 426.9. Westbury Shop and PO is to close at the end of February 2018. The post office will approach businesses in the village to see if a reduced service can be offered in Westbury. Cllr D Sandbach asked if a volunteer community led initiate could be an option for a shop if no commercial businesses were forthcoming. Cllr Ed Potter would welcome hearing from any interested parties. Notice in Westbury Newsletter.

**427. Parish Matters**

 427.1. Police Report, already circulated and on file. Noted.

 427.2. Cllr Ed Potter reported that during recent snowy weather there was a lack of gritting in the parish. He reported this to Shropshire Council (SC) and the roads were gritted. SC Children’s Services has been rated as good and this puts the service in the top 30% in the country. Cllr Potter will contact E West (planning) and advise that the PO and shop will be closing in February. Clerk instructed to notify SC too. He is continuing to lobby on youth funding. SC has acquired all three shopping centres in Shrewsbury and has asked the wider community for ideas on increasing revenue and potential development. It is looking likely that the swimming pool will remain in The Quarry.

 427.3. Highways. Clerk instructed to report a large Pothole at the end of Stretton Heath. The streetlamps are now working on the roundabout A5/B4386.

 427.4. Councillors confirmed local connection. Clerk instructed to write to Shropshire Council.

 427.5. Westbury Medical Centre has been rated as good (30/35% of practises are in this category.) Clerk instructed to write a congratulations letter to the Dr. Surgery.

 427.6. Police Budget & Council Tax Consultation. Noted.

**428. Planning MattersView all applications online at:**[**http://pa.shropshire.gov.uk/online-applications**](http://pa.shropshire.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal=OQRAKLTD06Z00)

 428.1.17/05521/LBC: Lower Wallop Farm, Wallop – resolved to support.
 428.2. [17/05345/FUL](http://www.westburyparishcouncil.co.uk/planning/1705345ful): Bank House Poultry, Yockleton (Cllr P Williams left the meeting at 20.05 and returned at 20.07) - resolved to support.
 428.3. 17/05785/TCA: 8 Jubilee Mews, Westbury – resolved to support.

 428.4.17/05947/FUL: The Apiary, Stoney Stretton, Shrewsbury – resolved to support.

**429. Financial Matters**

 429.1. Parish accounts. Resolved to accept and authorise cheques for payment.

 429.2 Precept requested. Noted.

**430. Reports** of Meetings and correspondence.

 430.1 Letter from Ironworks – noted.

**431. Questions** - none.

**432. Confidential Matters** - none.

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| **ACTIONS** |  |  |
| 426.2  | Railway Truck. New Position to be determined. | Council |
| 426.6.  | Notice board waiting for keys. | Cllrs L Hurdley/ S Benniman |
| 426.7.  | Allotments.  | Cllr D Sandbach  |
| 426.8.  | BMX Track. Grass seeds.  | Cllr L Hurdley |
| 427.2.  | Advise E West (planning) that Westbury PO and shop will be closing in February. | Clerk |
| 427.3.  | Notify highways of large Pothole at the end of Stretton Heath.  | Clerk |
| 427.4.  | Confirm local connection. | Clerk |
| 427.5.  | Write congratulations letter to the Dr. Surgery.  | Clerk |

**The next meeting of this parish council will be held on 7thMarch 2018 at Westbury Village Hall and will commence at 7.30 pm.**

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE CHAIRMAN DECLAIRED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 20.15.**

**L Hurdley............................................**

**7th March 2018**