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In attendance: Cllrs Barber, Butterworth, Fox, Hodgkins, Lee, Roberts, Sedgley, Sheard, Swan, Swetman, Tomson and Wellard.

MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 16TH OCTOBER 2023

1. To elect a Vice Chair of the Parish Council for the year 2023 – 24

   Resolved: To elect Cllr Swan as Vice Chair for remainder of the year 2023 – 24.

2. To receive and consider apologies for absence

   Apologise were received from Cllrs Love and Beales.

3. To note declarations of Members' interests

   Cllrs Fox and Sedgley declared an interest in agenda item 9(b)(i).

4. To approve and sign the minutes of the previous meeting held on Monday 18th September 2023

   Resolved: To sign the Minutes as a true and accurate record.

6. Public Question Time

   There were no Members of the Public in attendance.

7. To note, consider and approve payments to the value of £6,023.09 as shown in the attached report

   Resolved: The spend of £6,023.09 be approved.

8. To consider matters relating to the budget for the financial year 2024/25

   The meeting continued to discuss version 6 of the draft budget proposal for the financial year 2024/25. There were no further amendments.

9. To receive updates from Chairs of Committees: -

   a. Finance and General Purposes Committee

      NONE

   b. Planning and Environment Committee

Chair: VACANT Vice Chair: Cllr H. Roberts

i. To consider planning applications not having been reviewed by Planning and Environment Committee

Application No: 23/00777/FUL
Proposal: Extensions to provide classroom and entrance lobby, new entrance ramp and steps, new fencing.
Location: St Marys Church of England Primary School Church Lane Mucklestone

Resolved: To make no objection nor submit any comment.

ii. To note the following applications having been decided by NuLBC: -

Application No: 23/00540/FUL
Proposal: Ground floor side & rear extension
Location: 3 Red Bull Newcastle Road Market Drayton
Decision: **Permitted**

Noted

Application No: 23/00300/FUL
Proposal: Proposed replacement of fire damaged dwelling and outbuildings with new dwelling, annexe, summer house and garage block.
Location: Wharmadine House Wharmadine Lane Ashley
Decided: **Permitted**

Noted

c. Personnel Committee
Chair: Cllr A. Swetman Vice Chair: Cllr D. Swan

NONE

10. To consider the following Member items: -

NONE

11. To receive reports from Staffordshire County Council, Newcastle-under-Lyme Borough Council and Staffordshire Police

a. Staffordshire County Council

There are reports of 151 mortalities due to COVID; however, this is an estimated count believed to be caused by more recent strains.

'Staffordshire Means Back to Business' – There has been a decline of 90 benefit claimants overall. The current figure for young people stands at 2,885. Employment Brokers continue to support job seekers into work and are seeing great success in matching applicants to placements. The priority at present is those out of work due to the closure of Wilko.

A new initiative is underway to raising awareness of neurodivergent conditions. The

County Council is also receiving high numbers of safeguarding referrals.

'Staffordshire Warmer Homes' is a Government Green Homes Grant targeting those living in fuel poverty. Staffordshire County Council has awarded £10.5m which will go towards helping around 530 properties.

Staffordshire Highways continues with changes to the team in Newcastle – it is hoped this will allow for greater repairs of potholes. Mucklestone Road, Loggerheads has been nominated after previous temporary repairs failed.

2.75m tonnes of rubbish has been rediverted from landfill and is being recycled to provide power for 66,000 Staffordshire homes.

There continues to be greater support for those wishing to give up smoking as a way of marking 'Stoptober'. Information can be found on the County Council website.

A recruitment drive is taking place for Foster Carers across the County. Information can be found on the County Council website.

b. Newcastle-under-Lyme Borough Council

Change in Cabinet due to ill health of a Cabinet Member

Borough Councillors provided representation for Britain in Bloom at Sutton Coalfield, with the Finals being held in London today. The results are not yet known.

A site visit has been arranged to inspect the installation of a footpath outside the Loggerheads Pub. This was a planning condition placed on the developer of the newer houses opposite the Co-Op; however, the developer has since entered into liquidation, and it is believed there is little more than can be done to solve this particular issue.

County and Borough Councillor Surgeries will resume in Loggerheads Library at 11am, Tuesday 17th October and continue every third Tuesday of each month.

c. Staffordshire Police

Staffordshire Police provided the meeting with a verbal update in relation to the following incidents: -

- 2x reports of Road Traffic Collisions, with no fatalities.
- 3x reports of anti-social behaviour, one of which took place in the Burntwood.
- 1x report of a neighbour dispute.
- 1x report of theft of a vehicle whereby someone was disturbed breaking into a van.

It was noted that, overall, crime in Loggerheads Parish is low-level and sporadic.

12. To receive updates from Members having attended external meetings

Cllr Fox informed the meeting that St. Mary's Primary School, Mucklestone is seeking to recruit a new Local Authority Governor following some administrative changes within the

existing governing body. Members of the Parish Council are encouraged to contact Cllr Fox to express an interest and learn more information.

13. To identify additional training needs within the Council

NONE

14. To note the dates of **Loggerheads Parish Council** meetings for November 2023: -

Planning and Environment Committee	7pm, Monday 6th November at Loggerheads Community Fire Station
Noted	
Finance and General Purposes Committee	7pm, Monday 13th November 2023 at Loggerheads Community Fire Station
Noted	
Full Council	7pm, Monday 20th November 2023 at Loggerheads Community Fire Station
Noted	

Chair: Cllr A. Swetman
Clerk: B. Minshall

Close of Meeting: 19:30pm

Signed…….