MAMBLE PARISH COUNCIL

Draft Minutes of a Meeting held in Mamble Village Hall on Thursday 3rd March 2022 at 7.00pm.

Present: Cllrs: Mr C Bunn (Chairman), Mrs S Rawlins, Mrs J Rogers and Mr P Bytheway.

In Attendance: Mrs A Watson (Clerk) and District Cllr. Mr D Godwin

1. Apologies: These were received and accepted from Cllr. Mr S Finney and County Cllr. Mr D Chambers.

2. Declarations of Interest:

- **2.1** Dispensation has been granted to Cllr. Bunn at each meeting for a Declaration of Pecuniary Interest, to enable participation in all discussions relating to the 'Lengthsman', including Agenda Item 7.4.
- 3. Suspension of the meeting for the Democratic 15 mins/Public Question Time: None.
- **4. Minutes:** The minutes of the Meeting held on the 03/02/22 were approved and signed by The Chairman.

5. Progress reports:

- **5.1** Highways. The Chairman confirmed the lay-by is looking tidier due to the removal of the wooden bin and the new one being emptied every Thursday.
- **6. Councillors' and District Councillor reports:** County Cllr. Chambers kindly sent his report, a copy of which is appended to these minutes. Cllr. Godwin kindly attended the meeting and gave an update on Council spending and an increase in council tax, a commitment by West Mercia Police for 200 additional officers and parish boundary changes.

7. The following items of Correspondence were noted:

- **7.1** Worcestershire County Council's As-One Project banner will be requested by the Clerk.
- **7.2** Notice of Parish & Town Councillor Conference 17th May 2022 6-8pm at Malvern Council Chamber.
- **7.3 A** request from Mrs J Young for a new Defibrillator battery pack was unanimously agreed and will be ordered by the Clerk.
- **7.4** Lengthsman's Contract 2022/2023. The Contract from Worcestershire County Council has not yet been received. Mamble Parish Council's Lengthsman's contract was signed by Mr Bunn and the Clerk.
- **7.5** Jubilee celebrations 2022. These were discussed at length and a plan to produce a flyer to inform parishioners was agreed. This will confirm the date as Sunday 5th June 2022 and the plan for a road closure from 4 Moorfields to just past the Village Hall. Councillors discussed ideas for the 'Street Party'.
- **7.6** Having considered the contribution to betterment for the Parish, a grant of £120 was agreed for the production of Mamble News & Events and £100 to each of the following local organisations: Mamble cum Bayton WI, Mamble History Group, Bayton School and Little Learners Nursery.

8. Finance:

8.1 HSBC Bank Statements:

26.02.2022 Business Account £5069.38 31.01.2022 Current Account £5319.41

8.2 Payments – The following payments were ratified and cheques signed;

8.2.1 Mr C Bunn (Lengthsman February 2022)
8.2.2 Mrs A Watson (Clerk Salary & Expenses)
8.2.3 Mrs J Rogers (Mamble News & Events)
8.5.4 Bayton Primary School
8.5.5 Mrs M Swift (Mamble History Group)
8.5.6 Little Learners' Nursery
8.5.7 Mamble cum Bayton WI
£196.00
£120.00
£100.00
£100.00
£100.00

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9. Malvern Hills District Council Planning Notifications:

21/00472/FUL and **21/00473/LB** Applicant: Mr & Mrs Carr. Location: The Sun & Slipper, Mamble. DY14 9JL. Proposal: Extension to existing restaurant; two storey extension and change of use of first floor from mixed use restaurant/residential to B&B accommodation and internal works to facilitate revised internal layout together with external alterations and landscaping. **Applications Approved**

10. Clerk's reports, items for future agenda and future meeting dates.

Parish Website: The Clerk gave details of the problems and limitations with the current website and provided Councillors with a proposal for a new website from Mr James Lungley of Parish Council Websites, and examples of the current parish council websites his company has built and hosts, with the proposal that the Parish Council moves away from a .com to a .gov domain name. Councillors unanimously agreed to the proposal and the Clerk will contact Mr Lungley to start the project as soon as possible.

The next meeting will be held in Mamble Village Hall at 7pm on Thursday 7th April 2022.

The Chairman thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the meeting at 8.20pm.

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Signed.		Date
	Chairman	

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APPENDICIES

Worcestershire County Council Report Meeting of Mamble Parish Council, 3rd March 2022.

- 1. Latest Covid Figures as at 1st March 2022 are:
- a. Worcestershire is showing an infection rate of 403 cases per 100,000.
- b. The infection rate in the Malvern Hills District is 431 cases per 100,000.
- c. The direction of travel is down in all Worcestershire Districts.
- d. Worcester City has the highest infection rate in Worcestershire with 484 cases per 100,000. Wyre Forest has the lowest infection rate with 327 cases per 100,000.
- e. The rate of infection in England as a whole is 354 cases per 100,000.
- **2.** A full programme of events is being planned by the County Council, to celebrate The Queen's Platinum Jubilee this year, and in particular, over the Bank Holiday weekend in June. Over 5,500 trees have already been planted in Worcestershire as part of the Queen's Green Canopy, with many more being planted during the course of the year.
- 3. Worcestershire County Council have received £52million of Government Grants for Covid support, including:
 - •£21million for the most vulnerable in our communities.
 - •£9million on testing, tracing and support for outbreak control.
 - •£3million on support for free school meals.
 - •£3million support of businesses.
- **4.** Worcestershire County Council's Budget for 2022/23 was approved on Thursday 17th February.
- a. There will be the following increase in Council Tax: the Precept will increase by 0.94%; in addition, there will be a 1% Adult Social Care Levy; in addition, there will be a 2% Adult Social Care Levy that was carried forward from 2021/22.
- b. This additional funding for Adult Social Care will ensure the most vulnerable in society are protected.
- c. The above increases in Council Tax will give an additional £11.3million in Council Tax revenue for 2022/23.
- d. This will result in an increase of £52.95 per annum on a Band D property.
- **5.** It has been agreed that Local Members' Highway Fund of £22,000 and Councillor's Divisional Fund of £10,000 will be extended to the next financial year. If there are any community projects that you believe would benefit from financial support, then please let me know from April onwards.
- **6.** WCC has agreed that grants to Parish Councils will be increased by 15%, with regards to the Lengthsman Scheme.
- 7. The Worcestershire Health and Wellbeing strategy consultation 2022 2032, has been launched. Formal consultation will run until 2nd May 2022. Good mental health and wellbeing may mean different things to different people. Your thoughts and feelings are welcomed, to help WCC shape the future of health and wellbeing over the next ten years. The consultation survey is open to everyone and will help build up a picture of what Wellbeing means to people of all ages across the county. More details can be found at: www.worcestershire.gov.uk/HWBStrategy2022
- **8.** For those aged 15 to 24 and would like advice on careers, apprenticeships, 6th Forms, full-time college courses, university and more, a number of Careers events are being held throughout Worcestershire between 2nd March and 7th April, each between 4pm and 8pm. There is no need to book, just drop into any of the events at any time to suit you. Further details can be obtained from: careersworcs@worcestershire.gov.uk

David Chambers
County Councillor, Tenbury Division.