



KETLEY PARISH COUNCIL

FULL COUNCIL MINUTES

MINUTES of the Ordinary Meeting of Ketley Parish Council held on Wednesday 12 February 2025 at Ketley Community Centre at 7:00pm.

PRESENT: Cllr. Eileen Callear
Cllr. Maggie Evans
Cllr. Nick Heath
Cllr. Amrik Jhawar
Cllr. Sam Millward Thomas
Cllr. Hilda Rhodes
Cllr. Ranbir Sahota

CLERK: Shelley Everton
DEPUTY CLERK: Zara Purvis
PUBLIC: 0 Member(s) of the Public

The Chair opened the meeting at

7 PM

C24/195 WELCOME

Councillor Eileen Callear welcomed everyone to the meeting

C24/196 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies received from Councillor Bennett, Councillor Elliott, Councillor Francis (currently on a six-month approved absence), and Councillor Thiara.
All apologies acknowledged and accepted

C24/197 PUBLIC SESSION

No public present at the meeting

C24/198 POLICE MATTERS

No representatives present from the Police, and no updates or concerns to raise on behalf of Councillors

C24/199 DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS

Councillor Jhawar disclosed an interest on item C24/203 due to being on the Planning Committee at Telford and Wrekin Council
Councillor Evans disclosed an interest on item C24/210
All disclosures of interest acknowledged and accepted

C24/200 INFORMATION ITEMS

Borough Councillor Sahota confirmed that all £5,000 of her Pride Funding had been allocated to projects.

C24/201 PARISH MATTERS

Councillor Callear attended a meeting with Councillor Jhawar, the Clerk, and Andrew Careless from Telford and Wrekin Council. They met at the bridge at the bottom of Millenium Village following reports of the ground being unsafe and unpassable. Andrew Careless is going to quote for the pathway to be cleared, and for some compact stones to be laid. Councillor Millward Thomas advised that there are drainage works currently being completed in the same area which could be a contributing factor to the ground being so wet. Once the quote has been received, Borough Councillor Sahota could allocate some of her Pride Funding towards this project, and Councillors can discuss the option of match funding.
Councillor Callear advised that Andrew Careless met with the Clerk at the pathway at Red Lees and will quote to have the pathway resurfaced. Once the quote has been received, Councillors can discuss the option of match funding.

C24/202 COUNCIL MINUTES

Councillors received and agreed the minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on Wednesday 08 January 2025

PROPOSED by Councillor Evans

SECONDED by Councillor Heath

ALL OTHER COUNCILLORS IN FAVOUR



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C24/203 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- (i) No planning applications and enforcements currently with Telford & Wrekin Council to consider
- (ii) No other planning applications to consider post publication of the agenda

C24/204 FINANCE

- (i) Councillors noted the current state of Council's finances
- (ii) Councillors noted the reconciliation for December 2024

C24/205 FINANCE – PAYMENTS

- (i) Councillors inspected and authorised orders for payment.

PROPOSED by Councillor Jhawar

SECONDED by Councillor Heath

ALL COUNCILLORS IN FAVOUR

- (ii) Councillors inspected and authorised card payments

PROPOSED by Councillor Millward Thomas

SECONDED by Councillor Evans

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C24/206 INTERNAL AUDIT

The Clerk explained the internal audit report and advised what steps need to be taken to comply with what was raised by the auditor. Councillor Callear suggested that we take into consideration a Council Plan from other Councils as a benchmark. All Councillors acknowledged and agreed with this.

The Deputy Clerk will email Councillors to secure a suitable date in which Councillors can meet to discuss, agree, and finalise a Council Plan.

C24/207 GRANT APPLICATIONS

It was proposed that the Clerk go back to Read Easy Telford and Shropshire East to request further information – how many residents in Ketley benefit from this service, and which other organisations/Councils have provided them with funding. The Clerk can also invite the group to come in and speak to Councillors to provide any additional information to support their application.

PROPOSED by Councillor Rhodes

SECONDED by Councillor Jhawar

ALL COUNCILLORS IN FAVOUR

C24/208 TACT HEATING

- (i) Councillors were made aware of the emergency heating works completed at TACT
- (ii) Councillor Millward Thomas proposed that 3 quotes are obtained to fit a new heating system.

PROPOSED by Councillor Millward Thomas

SECONDED by Councillor Evans

ALL COUNCILLORS IN FAVOUR

C24/209 ANTI-GRAFFITI TREATMENT

Due to the quote by Granville Construction & Maintenance coming in at £4,188.00 for the anti-graffiti treatment, it was proposed by Councillors that the Clerk discuss the treatment with Safer Stronger to see if they can quote and/or match fund. Even with splitting the cost with Hadley Parish Council, £2,094 per Council is a large sum of money. The cost of the mural being painted only cost £2,163.50 which was split between both Councils so Councillors would not be willing to spend that amount on an anti-graffiti treatment.

C24/210 TREE FELLING AT PADDOCK MOUND

Councillor Millward Thomas proposed that the Council award the Friends of Paddock Mound £1,000 that we have set aside in the budget so that they are able to complete the required works.

PROPOSED by Councillor Millward Thomas

SECONDED by Councillor Rhodes

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C24/211 VE DAY CELEBRATIONS

Borough Councillor Sahota is to allocate some of her Pride Fund towards VE Day celebrations. The Friends of Paddock Mound are applying for funding through Telford and Wrekin Council which is a grant towards holding an event for VE Day. Due to VE Day falling on Thursday 08 May, it was suggested that we could light the beacon on the day and hold an event on the following weekend.

C24/212 AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING

To advise the Clerk of items to be considered for inclusion in the agenda

C24/213 PLANNED DATES OF FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Finance Committee	Wednesday 26 February 2025	1 PM
Resources Committee	Wednesday 12 March 2025	6:15 PM
Full Council Meeting	Wednesday 12 March 2025	7 PM

The Chair closed the Public meeting at: 7:41 PM

Notification of Private Session under Schedule 12a, Local Government Act 1972, the following items are likely to disclose exempt information in relation to establishment and contractual matters and that pursuant to provisions of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 the public and press be excluded.

The Chair closed the Private session at: 7:47 PM

Signed _____ Date Wednesday 12 March 2025
Chairman