

# ***Ryton and Grindle Parish Council***

Minutes of the meeting of Ryton and Grindle Parish Council held on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2024 at 7.00pm at St Andrew's Church, Ryton

In attendance: Cllrs John Webb, Caroline Davies, Jonathan Hartnell-Beavis and the Parish Clerk (Vanessa Voysey)

## **2023.48 Chairman's Welcome**

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting

## **2023.49 Apologies**

There were no apologies at this time

## **2023.50 Co-Option**

There were no expressions of interest in consider co-option from any interested parties

The Chairman asked that the Parish Clerk write to the County Solicitor about the process of amalgamation. There are two vacancies out of five seats. It was noted that Sutton Maddock Parish Council has a vacancy of one seat out of seven, and this vacancy has been unfilled for several months.

It was noted that there were issues in common with neighbouring Parishes.

## **2023.51 Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest

## **2023.52 Public Forum**

There were no questions from the public at this time

## **2023.53 Shropshire Councillor's Report:**

There was no report from the Shropshire Councillor for Worfield

## **2023.54 Minutes:**

It was proposed, seconded, and resolved to confirm the minutes of the Council meeting held on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2023

## **2023.55 Clerk's Report**

There has been an update to legislation on Parish Councils grant funding churches. This would be brought to the next meeting.

### **2023.56 Finance**

a) It was proposed, seconded, and resolved to approve the following payments:-

Riverwood - £96  
Clerk (travel, January) - £14.40

b) There were no receipts

c) It was proposed, seconded, and resolved to approve the Reconciliation and Bank Statements for end of month of November 2022

d) It was proposed, seconded, and resolved to approve Receipts and Payments including income and expenditure spreadsheets to month of November 2022

e) It was proposed, seconded, and resolved to agree the Local Government Pay Award for the financial year 2023-2024

f) It was agreed to continue to engage the services of Riverwood for the the Environmental Maintenance Agreement for the financial year 2024-2025

g) It was proposed, seconded, and resolved to set a precept for the financial year 2024-2025 of £4334.

It was agreed that the increased £206 against the draft budget be put under the contingency line.

### **2023.57 Planning**

The following Planning Decision was noted:

23/05430/TCA: Ryton Hall, Ryton Park: crown reduction on a sycamore tree and crown reduction of a sycamore within Ryton Conservation Area.  
No objection

### **2023.58 Highways**

Highway maintenance: there will be a road closure on Grindle Road between the 5<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> February for pre-dressing patches.

Cllr John Webb said that he had reported potholes, and flooding and blocked culverts, onto Fix My Street.

### **2023.59 Environment**

There was nothing to report at this time

### **2023.60 Correspondence**

There was none at this time

**2023.61 Any other Parish Matters**

Cllr John Webb has spoken with the police about suspected drink driving in the area. He has found a lot of bottles in verges when out litter-picking.

**2023.63 Date of Next Meeting**

*The next meeting will be on at St Andrew's Church, Ryton, 7.00pm, March 11<sup>th</sup> 2024*