Whixall Parish Council

Chairman: Med Evans

Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on 14 October 2026 at Whixall Marina starting at 7.30pm

Present

Councillors M Evans (Chair); C Weedall, J Spenser, P Rodenhurst, I Mercer , C Schup, M Clorley

Unitary Councillors G Groves

Clerk A Roberts

Other Organisations 0 **Members of the Public:** 0

102/26 Public Session
No members of the public present.

103/26 Apologies for Absence
SJ Lamb, J Hawkes,

104/26 Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary or any other interests or requests for dispensations
None declared

105/26 To approve the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 8th July 2026

Resolved: to approve as a correct record the minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Parish Council held on 9 September 2026. They were duly signed by the Chair.

106/26 Planning

a. Planning Applications from Shropshire Council. – none received.

26/03445/26 Proposed Tourist Accommodation Development At Whixall Marina, Alders Lane, Whixall Siting of 9no tourist cabins

Resolved: To support with the following comment: The Council supports the redevelopment of this underused, hardstanding area of the site and the opportunities it will bring for local employment.

b. Planning Decisions from Shropshire Council.

26/02997/FUL Proposed Holiday Let Barn Conversion, Platt Lane, Whixall Conversion of barn to holiday let (retrospective)
Decision: Refuse

Resolved: to note

107/26 Finance

a. Monthly balance record and reconciliation

Resolved to note receipt of the balance record and reconciliation checked by Cllr Hawkes prior to the meeting.

b. It was noted that internal control checks will be carried out in November

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c. Quarter 2 budget report – noted

d. Outstanding payments

Resolved: That the schedule of payments and supporting invoices be approved, and that the payments listed be authorised

Recipient	Reason for Payment	Amount	Reference
NEST	Pension Contributions	102.97	43.26DD
A Roberts	Salary September	311.02	44.26.
HMRC	NI & PAYE September	232.51	45.26
SLCC	Membership	116.00	46.26
Unity Bank	Monthly Charges	7.00	47.26DD
A Roberts	Expenses July & August	58.65	48.26
A Lomas	Reimbursement	12.08	49.26
M Spenser	Reimbursement	37.47	50.26
SJF Design & Print	Newsletter	179.00	51.26

108/26 Reports

a. West Mercia Police – circulated. Link to be added to Facebook page.
b. Shropshire Councillors – circulated in advance of the meeting
c. Parish Councillors - no reports
d. Clerk's Progress Report – circulated in advance.

109/26 Local Transport Plan Consultation

Resolved: that the clerk will complete a draft response to be discussed at the November Council meeting.

110/26 Remembrance Sunday Service

Cllr Evans will read the roll of honour and a second volunteer is needed for the reading.

111/26 Trees

a. Moss Cottages Field

Resolved: that the trees along the fence line will be taken back to form a hedge at a cost of no more than £3,500. Three quotes will be sought by the clerk and the award of the work will be agreed by the Clerk and the Chairman. Work is to be carried out as soon as possible.

b. Budget for Trees

Resolved: that the 2027-28 budget will include an amount for a tree works earmarked reserve.

112/26 Correspondence

a. Lord Lieutenant's Carol Service

Resolved that the council will put forward the names of individuals, as listed by the clerk, for attendance at the service.

b. Wem Banking Hub – noted
c.

113/26 Parish Matters

a. Marlot updates were noted.

Resolved: to write to Tim Lamb thanking him for the voluntary work he has carried out at the Marlot.

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b. Marlot and Natural England – it was noted that NE have not responded to requests for an update. The Clerk will continue to press for an answer.
c. Asset Inspections – it was noted that inspection information has been received for the following: Old Burial Ground, noticeboards and the war memorial. Moss Cottages Field and the telephone kiosk are still outstanding.

114/26 Items for Next Agenda
The meeting scheduled for **9th November at Whixall Marina** 2026 was noted.

Meeting closed at 8.41pm

Signed Date