

GREAT WYRLEY PARISH

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY HELD AT 7.00P.M. AT GREAT WYRLEY COMMUNITY CENTRE ON WEDNESDAY 21st MAY, 2025 IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL.

Present:-

Cllr. Mrs. K. M. Perry MBE (Chairman)

Cllr. Mrs. O. Brazier Cllr. R. Fairclough Cllr. J. C. Jones Cllr. A. J. Kelsey	Cllr. D. Norris Cllr. R. J Perry Cllr. Mrs. S. M. Wood Cllr. Mrs. C. Whiston-Taylor
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There were three members of the public present on this occasion and an attendance list is attached to the minutes for information.

1.0 Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr. A. Newell, Cllr. D. Norris (Jnr.) and Cllr. M. Jackson.

2.0 Minutes

The minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting which had been held on 15th May, 2024 were accepted and approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman at the June, 2024 meeting of the Parish Council. Copies of the ratified minutes had been circulated to all Members.

3.0 Annual Report of the Parish Council

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the Annual Parish Assembly and thanked them for their attendance. The Chairman then delivered the Parish Council's report, which included her thanks to all Councillors for their support and dedicated service to the Parish Council over the previous twelve months. Cllr. Mrs. Perry also took this opportunity to thank all the staff of Great Wyrley Parish Council. **Please see Appendix A.**

Cllr. Mrs. Perry then requested a moment's break to accommodate organisation of the following agenda item.

Presentation of Flowers to Parish Clerk and Parish Administrator

Cllr. Mrs. K. M. Perry MBE advised all present that just before the main business of the day commenced she would like to take this opportunity to make the presentation of bouquets of flowers to Sian McGlue (The Parish Clerk) and Debra May (The Parish Administrator). Cllr. Mrs. Perry, on behalf of all members of the Parish Council thanked both for their hard work and dedication to not only the Parish Council but the community of Great Wyrley as a whole. The Clerk and the Parish Administrator very much appreciated the gesture and thanked the Parish Council for their kind words. The Parish Council demonstrated its support by giving both Members of staff a round of applause.

4.0 Reports from School Governing Bodies

The Chairman advised the meeting that there were no representatives from the Local Schools in attendance on this occasion, however, copies of the latest Head Teachers' Messages from each school had been made available should anyone wish to view a copy. This was noted by Members. **Please see Appendix B.**

5.0 Observations of District Councillor

Councillor Mrs. K. M. Perry MBE gave a verbal report on the activities of South Staffordshire Council. A copy of the report is attached at **Appendix C.**

6.0 Observations of County Councillor

As the retiring County Councillor, Cllr. Mrs. K. M. Perry MBE gave Members a brief report on the issues being faced by Staffordshire County Council including the fact that potholes continued to be a very serious issue. There were two specific issues relating to Great Wyrley, one being the ongoing request for traffic calming measures in Streets Lane which was now in the pipeline. The other being the recent success with the installation of Weight Limit signs at Shaws Lane. Cllr. Mrs. Perry hoped that the new County Councillor would continue to push these issues forward. This was noted by Members.

7.0 Reports from various Voluntary Bodies

- **1st Great Wyrley Scouts**

Cllr. A. J. Kelsey advised the meeting that there had been significant changes in the Scouting Management at Great Wyrley. Great Wyrley Scouts were raising as much funding as possible in order to effect much needed repairs to their building. Cllr. Kelsey felt that the current leadership was a very strong team and that Great Wyrley Scouts was in good hands. This was noted.

- **2nd Great Wyrley (St. Thomas More) Scouts**
- **Great Wyrley Guides District Report**

There was no information available to be reported on this occasion from either of the above organisations. This was noted.

- **Great Wyrley Carnival Committee**

Mrs. Pauline Kelsey BEM gave the Parish Council a verbal report on the activities of the Great Wyrley Carnival Committee. A copy of the report is attached at **Appendix D.**

- **Great Wyrley Senior Citizens Centre**

Mrs. Pauline Kelsey BEM gave the Parish Council a verbal report on the activities of the Great Wyrley Senior Citizens Centre. A copy of the report is attached at **Appendix E.**

- **Great Wyrley Townswomen's Guild**

Mrs. Pauline Kelsey BEM gave the Parish Council a verbal report on the activities of the Great Wyrley Townswomen's Guild. The report included the fact that sadly the national organisation of the Townswomen's Guild was to close after 92 years of service. A copy of the report is attached at **Appendix F.**

- **Great Wyrley Local History Society**

Mr. Gary Smith gave Members a verbal report on the activities taking place at Great Wyrley Local History Society which included the long awaited publication of their latest Book the Great War –Great Wyrley and

Cheslyn Hay. The membership of the History Society had now much increased and Mr. Smith also took this opportunity to thank the Parish Council for allowing the Society to place their Notice Board on the Millennium Green.

- **Great Wyrley and Cheslyn Hay Community Group**

The Parish Council had not received any specific information from the Community Group, however, Cllr. Mrs. O. Brazier advised the meeting it was her understanding that various events had been planned by the group for later in the year. This was noted.

- **Wyrley Indoor Sports (WISP)**

Mrs. P. Kelsey advised the meeting that WISP continued to use the Great Wyrley Senior Citizens Centre on a regular basis and all was well as far as she was aware. This was noted.

- **Landywood and District Voluntary Help Centre**

The Parish Council had received a report from the Landywood and District Voluntary Help Centre which was delivered by Cllr. Mrs. K. M. Perry MBE. A copy of the report is attached at **Appendix G**

- **Harrisons Recreation Ground and Welfare Institute**

Cllr. A. J. Kelsey gave the meeting a verbal report on the activities taking place at Harrisons and advised all that fund raising was taking place at the present time to ensure that the Club could continue to serve the village for the future.

- **Great Wyrley Wesleyan Church**

The Parish Council had received a report from Great Wyrley Wesleyan Church which was delivered by Cllr. Mrs. K. M. Perry MBE and included details of the events taking place to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of Great Wyrley Methodist Church. A copy of the report is attached at **Appendix H**

The Chairman advised all present that this completed the business before the meeting and closed the Parish Assembly.

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Chairman

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