

GREAT WYRLEY PARISH

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY HELD AT 7.00P.M. AT GREAT WYRLEY COMMUNITY CENTRE ON WEDNESDAY 20th MAY, 2026 IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL.

Present:-

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

Cllr. Mrs. O. Brazier Cllr. J. C. Jones Cllr. A. J. Kelsey Cllr. P. Kruskonjic	Cllr. D. Norris Cllr. R. J Perry Cllr. Mrs. C. Whiston-Taylor Cllr. Mrs. S. M. Wood
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There were five members of the public present on this occasion.

1.0 Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr. Mrs. S. Manderson, Cllr. D. Norris (Jnr.) Cllr. M. Jackson, Cllr. J. Hill and Cllr. Mrs. M. Woods

2.0 Minutes

The minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting which had been held on 21st May, 2025 were accepted and approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman at the June, 2025 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.**

4.0 Reports from School Governing Bodies

The Chairman advised the meeting that disappointingly, the Parish Council had not received any reports from the Local Schools on this occasion. Following discussion the Parish Council **RESOLVED** that this may be due to the fact that the majority of the local schools were now Academies. Following discussion it was decided that this may be the time for the Parish Council to introduce itself to the local schools in an attempt to build a better relationship going forward. This was noted.

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 B.**

6.0 Observations of County Councillor

Cllr. Mrs. Michelle Woods was unable to be present on this occasion.

7.0 Reports from various Voluntary Bodies

- **1st Great Wyrley Scouts**
- **2nd Great Wyrley (St. Thomas More) Scouts**
- **Great Wyrley Guides District Report**

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

- **CHAPS**

Cllr. Mrs. K. M. Perry MBE delivered the report which had been received from Mrs. T. Mellor regarding the delay in the Great Wyrley Mining Memorial coming to fruition. A copy of the report is attached at **Appendix C.**

- **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 had closed in January. 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 explaining that they now felt it had become part of the fabric of the village. Even though there were only 8 Committee Members now, they still enjoyed putting on their Coffee Mornings and Annual Open day. Mr. Smith advised all present that they were, as ever, on the lookout for new members and everyone was welcome.

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

The Parish Council had not received a response to its invitation to the Group. Cllr. Mrs. O. Brazier advised the meeting that she had ensured that the Group were aware of the event, however, it had not been possible for anyone to attend.

- **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 and it was her understanding that the group had a number of new members following the opening of the Wyrley Rose Complex. 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 the Clerk. 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 the meeting that the situation at the Club was looking up and funds were slowly increasing. The Bowls Teams were bringing a lot of business as was the newly introduced sessions of Bingo. This was noted by Members.

Cllr. J. C. Jones advised the meeting that Harrisons Club was the host to a great Bowling Club with lots of different teams which was extremely popular in the village. Harrisons Bowling Club could also boast of having one of the best greens in South Staffordshire which was all down to the hard work of Mr. A. Higgs. This was noted by Members.

- **Great Wyrley Wesleyan Church**

The Parish Council had not received any communication from this organisation on this occasion. However, Cllr. Mrs. K. M. Perry MBE advised the meeting that the Wesleyan Church Organisation also included Upper Landywood Methodist Church which held an excellent Coffee Morning on the last Friday of each month. This event was very well attended and was a really good meeting place for the community to come together. This was noted by Members.

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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