**PRESENT:** L Hurdley (Chairman), R Hemming, Mrs. C Harvey, R Briscoe, P Williams, R Williams, Ms A Adams, D Sandbach, Ms S Benniman, Ms C Pryce, the clerk, Cllr E Potter and members of the public.

**APOLOGIES for absence accepted from:** Mrs. G Owen.

**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** 5c Cllr P Williams.

**461.** **THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING** held on the 5th July, 2018. Resolved to accept and sign minutes as a true record.

**462. Matters Arising** None.

**463. Parish Matters**

463.1. Police Report, already circulated and on file. Noted. PC R Cookson addressed the meeting and outlined issues regarding anti-social behaviour and drugs in the parish. Councillors reported parking near crossroads, on pavements and speeding throughout the parish. Fly tipping is a concern in the parish and Local member will arrange a community litter pick. The Chairman thanked PC Cookson and CSO J Bradley for attending the meeting.

463.2. Unitary Councillors Report. (item 4c) Discretionary Non Domestic Rates Scheme has gone through cabinet and relief will remain for village halls without full time bars and private social clubs, national charity shop chains that sell new products and compete with local traders will receive less relief.

 Review of local plan (item 4f) Westbury was initially scored as a Hub. Westbury has now been re- scored and will remain as open countryside (The scoring may be challenged by Developers when this goes out to consultation and review.) Westbury will remain as open countryside unless the Parish Council opt in as a cluster, which would allow for a limited amount of development. Open Countryside allows for affordable local needs exception sites. Councillors asked if a shop could be built? Planning Officer had stated that a developer might be persuaded to build a shop but there are no guarantees. Cllr Sandbach did approach a national chain with a view to open a facility and he was told the population was not big enough to match their business model.

 Parking consultation went through cabinet with following amendments: Frankwell will be free after 6pm, reduced rates for outer car parks, increased rates for car parks in town centre and linear parking will be introduced. A joint rural LJC meeting with the Future Fit Team will be held on 30th July, 2018. 5% of population have responded to the current future fit consultation. Chief Finance officer thinks that the best possible solution would be one large hospital covering the area but this was not put as a consideration on the consultation.

 Flooding allocation to a number of houses to have waterproofing. Residents have not been contacted for some time and Shropshire Council are aware of the flooding issues in Westbury. Local Member will ask Shropshire Council to contact residents.

 463.3 Highways Temporary interim suspension of new community led road safety concerns. Noted.

 There are still a number of pot holes outstanding. Highways budget has been reduced.Overgrown hedges in westbury. Clerk and local member will report. Give Way sign at Stretton Heath has fallen down. Clerk to report.

463.4 Maintenance tenders. (To include Powell Field.) Clerk instructed to write to individual companies and put in newsletters. Beech Hedge in Westbury playing field requires cutting. Cllr Briscoe to contact contractor.

463.5 Consideration to be given to designating Westbury as a cluster? Clerk instructed to arrange a Public Meeting on 5th September 2018 at Westbury Village Hall, commencing at 7pm.

463.6 Westbury Level Crossing Over Night Closure for Network Rail works. 3rd–7th September 2018. Noted.

463.7 Litter Bin. Rospra report stated that all bins are in good repair. Noted.

463.8 Yockleton play area wooden structures to be removed by Cllr Benniman. Resolved and noted.

**464. Planning Matters**

464.1 18/02962/FUL : 1 Monday Town, Westbury, SY5 9HG. Resolved to support (Majority decision).

 464.2 18/02883/FUL: Proposed Holiday Let To The East Of, Stoney Stretton, Yockleton. Resolved to support.

 464.3 18/03139/FUL: Sunnyholme, Yockleton, Shrewsbury, SY5 9PH. Cllr P Williams Left the meeting 20.30. Resolved to support. Cllr P Williams returned to the meeting 20.31.

**465. Financial Matters**

 465.1. Parish accounts. Resolved to accept and authorise cheques for payment.

465.2 Three new cheque books have been posted and none have been received by the current or previous clerks. The cheque books have been cancelled and the clerk has requested a new one to be sent to branch. Further investigations with Lloyds Bank are ongoing.

**466. Reports** of Meetings and correspondence. None.

**467. Questions** from members of the public.

 Allotments will be added to the September agenda following a request from members of the parish. This parish council has already agreed to facilitate a meeting and pay for it. To date a meeting has not been held. Cllr D Sandbach asked if an allotment committee can be inaugurated and then come back to the parish council with proposals. Clerk has added to September agenda.

**468. Confidential Matters.**

Powell Field.

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| **ACTIONS**  |
| 463.1 | Community Litter Pick | Local Member |
| 463.2 | Flooding Allocation | Local Member |
| 463.3 | Highways Issues | Clerk/Local Member |
| 463.4 | Maintenance Tenders | Clerk |
| 463.5 | Public Meeting – Cluster status | Clerk |
| 467 | Allotments to be added to September Agenda | Clerk |

**There being no further business the chairman declared the meeting closed at 20.54**

L Hurdley............................................ 5th September 2018

The next meeting of this parish council will be held on 7th November 2018 at Westbury Village Hall and will commence at 7.30 pm. Unless otherwise notified.