MADELEY PARISH ANNUAL ASSEMBLY

The Annual Parish Assembly was held at the Madeley Centre on Thursday 7th April 2022, commencing at 7:00 p.m.

There were 8 members of the Parish Council and 4 Parishioners present, representing The Madeley Centre, Lea Court Residents Association and Darby and Joan. Footprints Animal Sanctuary and Leycett Cricket Club were represented by Councillors Stephenson and Hopkin respectively.

Prior to the business of the meeting all representatives outlined how grant funding had made a difference to their community organisation within the Parish.

PRESENT

Parish Councillors, D. Whitmore, (Chair), A Davenport, C. Hopkin, Mrs M.B Ruscoe, J. Stephenson, Ms K. Walley, T Morgan with Mrs Clare Withington, Responsible Financial Officer and taking notes to be transposed into minutes by the clerk at a later date.

APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs D. Barnish, G White, S White, A Rowley and J Whitmore were given to the Clerk. The Clerk, J Penn Jones was absent due to covid.

MINUTES of the Assembly held on 20th April 2021 had been circulated and were approved subject to including Footprints Animal Sanctuary as having been represented at the last meeting by J Stephenson.

The Clerk, J Penn Jones, to arrange for Cllr D Whitmore to sign the amended copy as no copies were available at the meeting.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Cllr. D. Whitmore gave a written Report which was circulated prior to the meeting, as copy annexed: he thanked everyone for their support throughout the previous year.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

There were no such matters

A FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2020-2021

A summary of the Council's financial situation, was presented and copy attached.

ATTENDANCE RECORDS of Councillors had been previously circulated and a copy attached. There were no matters or questions arising.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS AND QUESTIONS

There were no such matters.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the meeting at 7:20pm.

MADELEY PARISH ANNUAL ASSEMBLY

The Annual Parish Assembly was held virtually by zoom on Tuesday 20th April 2021, commencing at 7:00 p.m.

There were 4 Parishioners present, representing The Madeley Centre, Lea Court, Madeley White Star and Leycett Cricket Club.

Prior to the business of the meeting all representatives outlined how grant funding had made a difference to their community organisation within the Parish.

PRESENT

Parish Councillors, D. Whitmore, (Chair), P. Carnall, K. Clarke, A. Davenport, C. Hopkin, A.Rowley, Mrs M.B Ruscoe, J. Stephenson, G. White, Ms K. Whalley, S. White, Mrs. J. Whitmore, with Mrs J. Simpson the Clerk and Mrs Clare Withington, Responsible Financial Officer.

APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr D. Barnish.

MINUTES of the Assembly held on 2nd May 2019 had been circulated and were taken as read. It was noted that there had been no meeting in 2020 due to the Covid situation.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Cllr. D. Whitmore gave a verbal Report, as copy annexed: he thanked everyone for their support throughout the previous year.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

There were no such matters

A FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2020-2021

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ANY OTHER BUSINESS AND QUESTIONS

There were no such matters.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the meeting at 7:40pm.

Madeley Parish Council Chairman's Report 2020/21

Dear Council

Where do you start to describe this last year. It's been another very busy year for us all despite the severe restrictions we have faced. Obviously the biggest impact this year has been the covid virus which has prevented us from meeting face tom face. Jamie and other parish councillors' were quick to step-up to the mark and take a lead on supplying the vulnerable with food parcels and other support. We have lost Danni Riley as a parish councillor and welcome new councillor Kimberly Walley and have appointed Dave Morton as our Lengthsman, which I think we can all agree he is doing a great job. Rachel Stanley is working hard to get quotes for the memorial garden which is going to be at the rear of the Madeley Centre, this project is coming along very nicely and hopefully will be ready in time for this year's commemoration. Finally, we should see our village pub (The Offley Arms) re open after an extensive refurbishment by joules brewery.

Highlights/Positives

- We have had installed several Speed indicator devices, to try to slow speeding drivers down in Madeley, with anther due to be sited in Madeley Heath shortly.
- Despite the severe restrictions we managed to hold several events for the village, including the scarecrow competition, Halloween trail hunt, Christmas window decoration and Easter egg/stone hunt, and (thanks to Jamie) arranged a visit from Santa to tour the village.
- Elmside continue to do a good job in maintaining the planters around the village, which add a nice splash of colour.
- The Christmas tree, while not the biggest we've had was very nice and luckily was not tampered with.
- We have provided support to many community groups throughout the year through our Parish Grant scheme.
- Held a minimal attended memorial service at the War Memorial with wreaths from the Parish Council, County, Borough council, the police, other local associations and schools.
- A great deal of work has been carried out by the new Lengthsman which I think has made a significant impact.

Coming year.

• We will press on with the new memorial garden down at the centre, mainly for health and safety reasons.

- There needs to be more work carried out around the pool, this will ultimately depend on a new lease/agreement between the borough and the Parish Council.
- HS2 Still poses many issues for Madeley and the surrounding area, issues with heavy goods vehicles on the roads and associated work will be a problem for all residents.
- And finally but not lastly, we still face a very uncertain year due to the spread of the coronus virus. There are encouraging signs that we are coming out of lockdown and hopefully, things should start to return to some sort of normality.

So overall it has been a very challenging year. We have done a lot more than residents realise, but we still have a lot more to do if we want Madeley to be an even better place to live. To end with I would like to thank Jan for her tremendous support especially with sorting out the meetings held via zoom, and to each and every one of you for the hard work you all put in.

Regards
Dave Whitmore Chair Madeley Parish Council

MADELEY PARISH MEETING FINANCIAL REPORT OF MADELEY PARISH COUNCIL 2020-21

At the start of the Financial Year, on 1st April 2020, the PC had £ 172374 in its Bank Accounts, and the Assets Register showed Total Assets Valued at £ 191509

The income during 2020-21 amounted to £76,747, with the Borough Precept (£64,819) and Borough Council grants (£8,045) forming the largest proportion. The following receipts were received:

Miscellaneous income of £185
A VAT refund of £3,095
Allotment rents of £549
Bank Interest on the Deposit Account of £54

The total amount spent was £89,394. This year in addition to the general running of the Parish Council, a Parish newsletter has been funded, several bus shelters cleaned and maintained, play area maintenance, cutting the highway grass verges, maintenance of Heathwood, community events and provision of 4 SIDS. The Parish Council have also continued to provide financial support for the management of Madeley Pool plus financially assisted various community groups during the Covid 19 pandemic.

The Parish Council also provided grants for the following:

| TO WHOM PAID | DETAILS | Total inc VAT |
|--|--|---------------|
| MDCA | Grant towards running costs | 4000.00 |
| Meadows Primary School | Donation towards books | 500.00 |
| Madeley Centre | Covid Grant - April | 2439.54 |
| Madeley Centre | Covid Grant - May | 571.56 |
| Lea Court | Grant - Water tap &benches x 2 | 300.00 |
| Leycett CC | Grant towards bowling machine | 1000.00 |
| Footprints Animal - letter confirmed email | Grant towards running costs x 3 months £1k reserves Covid 19 | 1000.00 |
| Madeley Centre | Covid Grant - June | 1130.93 |
| Madeley White Star | Grant trophies | 300.00 |
| Madeley Centre | Grounds Maintenance | 4000.00 |
| Madeley Scouts | Grant outdoor hire | 300.00 |

On 31st March 2021, there was a balance of £159,867 in the PC's Bank Account. The Assets Register stands at £203,817. New assets include: Four SIDS and poles. notice board on allotment site and new Laptop.

The Precept for 2020-21 was £64,819 which remained the same as the previous year for each property (£43.62 per Band D).

Record of Councillors Attendance 2020-21 Name

| | | Total | Out of | % |
|------------|----------|-------|--------|-----|
| Barnish | David | 7 | 13 | 54 |
| Carnall | Peter | 7 | 10 | 70 |
| Clarke | Kevin | 7 | 7 | 100 |
| Davenport | Alan | 12 | 13 | 92 |
| Hopkin | Chris | 11 | 13 | 85 |
| Orme | Nigel | 3 | 4 | 75 |
| Riley | Danielle | 8 | 11 | 73 |
| Rowley | Alan | 12 | 13 | 92 |
| Ruscoe | Beryl | 11 | 13 | 85 |
| Stephenson | Jamie | 13 | 13 | 100 |
| White | Gary | 10 | 13 | 77 |
| White | Simon | 12 | 13 | 92 |
| Whitmore | Dave | 12 | 13 | 92 |
| Whitmore | Jill | 13 | 13 | 100 |

Madeley Parish Council Chairman's Report 2021/22

Dear Council

This has been quite a busy year, we have see councillors go and new councillors' join the Parish Council. The covid virus has still had a large impact on us, especially at the beginning of last year, with meeting being held via zoom. We have lost Kevin Clerk as a Parish Councillor and welcome new Councillor Tanya Morgan.

Dave Morton (our handyman) continues to do a great job around the village, and we do receive very positive feedback where he has undertaken any work. The memorial garden is progressing, albeit slower than we would have liked, but I am sure it will be ready for an official opening by early summer. We managed to hold our Christmas events this year, we did change the way the Christmas tree lights switch on was held, and this proved to be very popular with the parishioners', both the panto, and older persons events were very well attended and it was nice to be able to get these events going again. Finally, it is a great shame that we see Jan retire from the Parish Council; she has been a rock and will be greatly missed.

Highlights/Positives

- Plans are well under way for the Queens Platinum jubilee; this will be one of the biggest things the parish has done in years.
- The refurbishment of Birch Dale play area is well under way, and we will need feedback so we can gauge what residents feel about it.
- Christmas events, and light turn on, went very well; the light turn on in particular was a great success.
- We are progressing with the lease to Madeley pool with the long term aim of greatly improving the whole area, to make it something to be proud of.
- We have had installed three new planters on the north side of the pool and are hoping that each of the schools will adopt one. The idea is that they will be little havens for wildlife; all the schools now have accepted the idea and can't wait to get started.
- We have provided support to many community groups throughout the year through our Parish Grant scheme.
- Held a minimal attended memorial service at the War Memorial with wreaths from the Parish Council, County, Borough council, the police, other local associations and the local schools.
- A great deal of work has been carried out by the new Lengthsman which I think has made a significant impact.

Coming year challenges

- HS2 still poses great issues for Madeley; however we know it's going to happen so we need to concentrate on reducing the impact on our community as much as possible.
- The pool still needs a lot of work, as we know a lot depends on Borough council and finding funds to pay for the works.
- There are always lots to do around the village in order to reduce litter and to make our village a more beautiful place to live, Dave Morton has been a great help with this, but there is a lot more to do.
- Finally we need to keep a close eye on housing developments. We know we are going to have to take our share but we must have our say as to where it's most appropriate for these houses to go and not lose all of our green spaces.

So overall, it has been a very challenging year, we have done a lot more than residents realise, but we still have a lot more to do if we want Madeley to be an even better place to live. To end with I would like to thank Jan for her tremendous support especially with sorting out the meetings held via zoom, and welcome to our new clerk, another Jan to the parish. I hope it will be an enjoyable time.

Regards,
Dave Whitmore Chair Madeley Parish Council

MADELEY PARISH MEETING FINANCIAL REPORT OF MADELEY PARISH COUNCIL 2021-22

At the start of the Financial Year, on 1st April 2021, the PC had £159,867 in its Bank Accounts, and the Assets Register showed Total Assets Valued at £203,817.

The income during 2021-22 amounted to £88,440.75, with the Borough Precept (£64,819) and Borough Council grants (£8,045) forming the largest proportion. The following receipts were received:

A VAT refund of £11,666.47

Miscellaneous income of £2564.95 plus corrected payments £176.58 and £539 Allotment rents of £614

Bank Interest on the Deposit Account of £15.75

The total amount spent was £107,641.14. This year in addition to the general running of the Parish Council the following has been provided:

A Parish newsletter, grants programme, several community events, maintenance of community defibrillators, Community Support worker, a new bus shelter plus repair and cleaning of the other bus shelters, maintenance of the play areas, cutting the highway grass verges, improving the village appearance, new benches and memorial garden, a village handyman (2 days a week), Maintenance of Heathwood and Madeley Pool, completion of the Neighbourhood Plan, a new speed device in Madeley Heath, three new raised planters by Madeley Pool, a new notice board on the allotment site.

The Parish Council also provided grants for the following:

| TO WHOM PAID | DETAILS | Total inc VAT |
|---------------------------------|----------------------|---------------|
| Madeley White Star FC | Spectator Fencing | 1000 |
| Lea Court Residents Association | Furniture | 325 |
| Madeley Residents Association | Halloween | 300 |
| Footprints | Shelters for Turkeys | 680.87 |
| Madeley Scouts (Grant awarded | | |
| in 2020/21 paid this year) | Outdoor hire | 300.00 |
| The Madeley Centre | Grounds Maintenance | 4000 |

On 31st March 2022, there was a balance of £140,666.12 TO BE CONFIRMED POST AUDIT in the PC's Bank Account. The Assets Register stands at £226,216 New assets include: benches and various kit in the memorial garden., a new Speed Indicator Device in Madeley Heath.

The Precept for 2021-22 was £64,819 which was a small decrease from the previous year for each property (£43.50 per Band D).

Record of Councillors Attendance 2021-22 Name

| | | Total | | Out of | | Percentage |
|------------|-----------|-------|----|--------|----|------------|
| Barnish | David | | 8 | | 13 | 61 |
| Carnall | Peter | | 7 | | 13 | 54 |
| Clarke | Kevin | | 3 | | 8 | 38 |
| Davenport | Alan | | 7 | | 13 | 54 |
| Hopkin | Chris | | 9 | | 13 | 69 |
| Morgan | Tanya | | 2 | | 2 | 100 |
| Rowley | Alan | | 13 | | 13 | 100 |
| Ruscoe | Beryl | | 11 | | 13 | 85 |
| Stephenson | Jamie | | 13 | | 13 | 100 |
| Walley | Kimberely | | 9 | | 13 | 69 |
| White | Gary | | 11 | | 13 | 85 |
| White | Simon | | 7 | | 13 | 54 |
| Whitmore | Dave | | 12 | | 13 | 92 |
| Whitmore | Jill | | 11 | | 13 | 85 |