

LEEK TOWN COUNCIL
Minutes of the Town Council held Tuesday 19th January 2021.

Chair: Cllr. Wales

Present: Cllrs. Benerfer, Cawley, Coleman, Emery, Johnson, L. Swindlehurst, M. Swindlehurst, Molson, Ottewell, Wood and Worthington

2 members of the public in attendance.

Lesley Roberts (Chairman of Leek Neighbourhood Plan) gave an update on the Leek Neighbourhood Plan (NP). It was stated that the evidence gathering has been carried out and the NP Referendum would probably be held at the next local election.

11. Minutes of the Meeting of the General Purposes held 17th November 2020 and the Precept meeting held 8th December 2020 were received, approved and signed by the Chairman as an accurate record.

12. Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning Committee held 14th December 2020. were received, approved and signed by the Chairman as an accurate record.

13. Consideration of Precept for 2021/22 The Precept calculations and the Financial Statement for 9 months ending 31st December 2020 were received. It was resolved that the Precept for 2021/22 would remain the same at £27.92. Organisations will be required to provide analysis on how donations from the town council benefit communities in Leek. It was resolved that the unspent £500 allocated to Leek Twinning in 2020/21, will be donated to Leek Foodbank.

14. Mayor's Correspondence/Announcements/Report
Cllr. Wales reported that the oil painting "Rainstorm Over The Roaches", by Robert Dawson, will be displayed in the town council office and it will require a new frame.

Chairman..... Date.....

Meeting Adjourned for the Public Participation Session

Ann Sharratt requested an update regarding The Kniveden project and the Covid testing facility at Newton House. Councillors comments included the following:

The dates for testing continue to be posted on the allotment notice board.

The testing centre has given assurances that it is run in accordance with all the necessary regulations.

Public participation is very valuable, but questions should be sent in advance of the meeting.

The clerk will send out clarification regarding public participation.