

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SHAWBURY PARISH COUNCIL
HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON TUESDAY JANUARY 10TH. 2012
at 7.00pm.**

Public Session:

There was one members of the public present but no issues were raised.

Present:

Mrs. J. Manley (Chairman)

Mrs. S. Dove

Mr. R. Bailey

Mr. D. Baldwin

Mrs. F. Medley

Mr. R. Pinches

Mr. R. Rathbone

Mr. A. Brown

Mr. D. Roberts

Mr. J. Kennedy

Mrs. G. Matthews

Mrs. T. Howells

In Attendance:

Flt. Lt. Byne (RAF Shawbury).

Mr. S. Jones (Shropshire Council).

The Parish Clerk.

One member of the public.

11/201 Apologies:

Apologies were received and accepted from Mr. A. Brown.

11/202 Declaration of Personal or Prejudicial Interests:

A declaration of interest was made by Mr. Bailey and Mr. Roberts for Agenda Item 6.

11/203 Minutes of Meeting held on December 13th. 2011

The minutes of the meeting, having been circulated, were approved and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

11/204 Matters Arising:

(a)Highways. (11/194(b))

A written reply had been received from the Highways Department indicating that:

- (a) The pot hole at the entrance to White Lodge Park had been repaired.
- (b) The line at the rear of the footpath by the shops would be reinstated when a lining crew was in the area.
- (c) The signing on the A53 approaching Mytton Estate would be improved within the next few months but double white lines could not be provided as the section of the road did not meet the criteria. Members were unhappy with this and the Clerk was asked to write back asking for details of the criteria.

- (d) They were unaware of the undertaking to provide salt bins on Poynton Road as this road was included in the secondary gritting network and bins were not provided on these roads. Clerk was asked to rake this up with the Department and Councillor Jones agreed to give his support. The bins were needed for accessing the school and the surgery.

(b) Glebe Lease (11/182(h))

A copy of the map, outlining the position of the path, had been sent to Members. There was concern at the position of the path which appeared to cut through the grassed area and not along the boundary line. Clerk to pass on this concern to the County Solicitor. The issues raised at the last meeting had been passed to the Diocese solicitor but to date no response had been received.

Mr. Bailey reported that the 'clean up' had been successful and he thanked all those who had helped. The area looked much better.

(c) Youth Pod (11/188)

It was agreed to remove and dispose of the pod, as it was no longer fit for purpose. The Clerk was asked to contact Monster Play, who had supplied the pod, to see if they were interested in collecting the shell for possible re-use, otherwise Jarvis Metals would be asked to remove it for scrap.

(d) Poynton Road Hedge (11/188)

It was agreed to remove the remaining part of the hedge and an estimate from Mr. Pinches of £616.25 (+VAT) was accepted. He agreed to make a prompt start to the work after the removal of the pod. Clerk reported that he was awaiting a quotation from Mr. Allmark for installing the wooden bollards.

(e) Recreation Ground Sign (11/189)

Clerk reported that Mr. Watney had agreed to the erection of a suitable sign and Members considered diagrams of possible signs produced by Mr. Brown. After Members selected the most appropriate, Mr. Bailey offered to produce a 'mock up' for Members to approve at the next meeting. Sign to be fixed onto a metal backing and covered with thick Perspex. He would also get an estimate of possible costs.

(f) Burial Ground Sign (11/193)

The new sign had been erected by Mr. Bailey.

(g) Co-op waste bins (11/110(p))

Mrs. Medley reported that she had been unable to make any progress and the Chinese Take Away staff were now leaving bins on the pavement in front of their shop. It was agreed that the Clerk should refer the matter to the Environmental Health Department and ask them to take action.

(h) Broadband provision for CCTV (11/192)

A response from the Community Council had been received, pointing out that they would be running the IT courses without access to Wi-Fi. After discussion it was decided to consider installing a telephone connection to the small meeting room in the Village Hall, which would allow broadband access for the CCTV system. Clerk was asked to approach the Village Hall Committee to see if it would support the proposal and BT for a quotation for making the connection.

(i) Car park (11/182(d))

Members approved the revised statement of costs provided by Enterprise for the additional work they had carried out during the refurbishment of the car park.

(j) Sparrow Cottage (11/110(m))

Concerns were raised about the developments on the site and the Clerk was asked to contact the enforcement officer to discover what was taking place and what action was planned.

11/205 Correspondence.

The following correspondence was considered:

1. Balfours – change of address to New Windsor House, Oxon Business Park, Bicton Heath, Shrewsbury, SY3 HJ66
2. Royal Bank of Scotland – sale of part of the business to Santander.
3. Shropshire Council – Council Tax precept request.
4. NALC – Planning Explained.
5. Shropshire Council – letter from Tim McCabe.
6. Shropshire Council – Christmas Message from the Chief executive.
7. Shropshire Council – Delivering Local Priorities
8. ALC – Parish Pump + other documents.
9. Shropshire Council – Planning (Affordable Housing).

11/206 Accounts for Payment:

Mr .J. Wilson	Salary (Jan.)	£428.97
Mr. J. Wilson	Expenses (Dec.)	£75.97
Inland Revenue	Income Tax (Jan)	£107.53
Mr. T. Creber	Village work (Jan)	£417.00
NWP Electrical	Streetlight maintenance (Dec.)	£232.42
Scottish Power	Power costs (November)	£259.91
Shawbury Village Hall	Annual fee for hosting CCTV	£350.00
Mr. R. Bailey	Expenses related to metal sign for Burial Ground	£82.60
Mr. D. Roberts	Purchase and treatment of wood for Moat signs.	

11/207 Financial Statement:

A financial statement was tabled and approved.

11/208 Delivering Local Priorities through Partnership Working.

- (a) The Clerk distributed the amended response that had been sent to Mr. Adrian Cooper (Shropshire Council Planning Officer), outlining the results from the questionnaires and the public meeting regarding future housing development in the Parish.
- (b) Members felt that the ‘Agenda for Annual Community Consultation’ had been covered in the response sent to Mr. Cooper, although Mr. Rathbone had completed the return. Members were asked to look at the document again and send any responses to the Clerk, who would check if further information should be sent to the planning department.

11/209 Burial Ground.

- (a) It was agreed to put an L shaped system of tarmac paths in the burial ground and seek quotations for the installation of paths with (a) wooden and (b) concrete edging after Mrs. Medley and Mr. Kennedy had worked together to produce a detailed plan of the paths and the layout of the burial plots. Final confirmation would be made at the next meeting.
- (b) Mr. Bailey reported that the chosen contractor was starting to plant the hedge on January 11th.

11/210 Recreation Ground – parking.

Mr. Bailey suggested that there was a need for additional car parking, especially now that it had been decided to locate both schools on the Poynton Road site. The old tennis court area of the playing field

would be a suitable site and perhaps Shropshire Council would agree to part finance it. There was little support for the proposal and Councillor Simon Jones said there was no prospect of money being provided by Shropshire Council. It was decided not to proceed with the proposal but that Shropshire Council should be contacted to see what arrangements were in hand to provide parking for the new school.

11/211 Exchange of Information

(a) Agenda Items for the next meeting:

Dropped kerb ways.

Cardboard Collection

Application from Mr. S. Dodd to hold regular Car Boot sales on the Playing Field.

(b) Issues needing urgent attention:

(1) Highways:

Damaged 40mph sign on the A53 between Edgebolton and Mytton Estate.

(2) Streetlights:

No problems raised.

(3) Other

No issues raised.

11/212 Other Information:

(a) Response to an email from Mr. Dodd asking for permission to hold regular Car boot sales on the Playing Field was deferred until the next meeting when it would be an agenda item. Mr. Dodd to be asked to provide much more detailed information.

(b) Mole catcher had been asked to visit the burial ground, playing field and cycle track.

11/213 Reports from:

(a) **Police:**

A written report had been received indicating that between December 1st and 31st. the following offences had been recorded:

Assault - 1; Theft – 1; Burglary – 2; Nuisance -1.

(b) **Youth**

No report tabled

(c) **RAF Shawbury**

Flt. Lt. Byne reported on the following events:

April 24th. New gymnasium would be opening with associated activities.

May 24th. Land Owners Day

August 10th. Service Personnel Families Day.

September 6th. Annual Reception.

Clerk confirmed that on behalf of the Council, he had sent a congratulatory message to Neil Hope on gaining an award in the New Year's Honours.

Mr. Bailey suggested that members should notify the Clerk of any assistance required from the RAF during the coming year as this information had been requested by the new Commanding officer.

Shropshire Council:

Mr. Jones reported that:

(a) He had approached the Safer Routes to School seeking financial assistance for developing a footpath along Church Street

- (b) Shropshire Council were assessing the need for:
 - (1) Improvements to the traffic lights and the crossing there. And
 - (2) A pedestrian crossing by the shops.
- (c) The Parish Council would be consulted on the design and development of the new school. The budget for this had been set and would not be increased. In response to the Chairman's statement that to date the Parish council had received very little information, he promised to ensure that this was improved.
- (d) One of Shropshire Council's streetlights close to the traffic lights had been blown down during the recent gales. As a result all their lights had been inspected.

11/214 Planning Applications:

A. The following applications was considered at the meeting:

2, New Houses, Muckleton Road, Edgebolton Road – erection of part two/part single story extension to side and rear. Application supported

C. The following applications had been approved:

113, Drayton Road, Shawbury – outline application for the erection of a single storey dwelling.
Jayroc Stables – erection of an agricultural building.

11/215 Committee Reports:

(1) Moat Committee:

Mr. Roberts confirmed that he had purchased the wood for the warning signs and Mr. Bailey offered to help install them over the coming weekend.

It was felt that the clearance of the willow trees had greatly enhanced the site.

11/216 Press Matters:

No issues to report.

11/217 Date and Time of next meeting:

The next meeting will be on February 7th. at 7.00pm in Shawbury Village Hall.

Approved as a true record of the Meeting.

Signed _____ **(Chairman)** **Date** _____