

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SHAWBURY PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON TUESDAY FEBRUARY 11<sup>TH</sup>.  
2014 at 7.00pm.**

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**Public Session:**

There were no members of the public in attendance.

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**Present:**

Mr. D. Roberts (Chairman)  
Mrs. J. Manley  
Ms S. McIntosh  
Mr. R. Pinches  
Mrs. G. Matthews  
Mr. A. Foster  
Mr. J. Kennedy  
Mrs. F. Medley  
Mr. P. Sharp  
Mrs. M. Howells  
Mrs. M. Clarke

**In Attendance:**

The Parish Clerk.

**13/168 Apologies:**

Apologies were presented and accepted from Mr. S. Jones (Shropshire Councillor) and Flt. Lt. J. Hobkirk (RAF Shawbury).

**13/169 Declaration of Personal or Prejudicial Interests:**

There were no interests declared.

**13/170 Minutes of Meeting held on January 14<sup>th</sup>. 2014:**

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

**13/171 Matters Arising:****(a)Highways (13/155(a).**

*It was reported that none of the issues reported over the last two months had been addressed although a response had been received from the Highways Department stating that action had been planned.*

*Clerk to speak to the Department again.*

**(b)CCTV – Grant application (13/156).**

*Clerk reported that Shropshire Council was collating a bid for support from West Mercia Constabulary and he had asked for a grant to be included for Shawbury, which would cover the maintenance and rental costs.*

**©Bird box construction workshop (13/155©.**

*Richard Bailey was running the workshop for local children on Saturday February 15<sup>th</sup>. Parents would be asked to accompany the children. To date six children had enrolled on the activity. Overall cost of the day would be in the region of £50.00.*

(d) Streetlight maintenance - upgrading contract (13/155(d) and (13/121(f)).

*It was noted that a start had been made on the up-grading work. Clerk had contacted Mr. & Mrs. Davies, Wytheford Road, regarding the need to prune the tree by the lamp post outside their home. They had agreed that Mr. Bailey could do the work and it had been agreed that the Council would pay for this.*

(e) Moat - possible new pathway (13/162)

*Clerk reported that he had written to Adrian Brown and a detailed response had been received and the Chairman had invited him to join him and Mr. Allmark on a site visit. This had taken place and the Chairman then outlined the possible routes for the paths. Mr. Allmark had agreed to provide some provisional prices and it was agreed to consider them at the next Council meeting.*

(f) Parish Fun Day(13/155(e))

*It was reported that the Church Committee had decided against running a car boot sale/fete this year and that the Football Club had offered to take responsibility for the event. In view of this it was decided not to hold a Council organised Fun Day this year but to support the efforts of the Football Club. Consideration would be given to organising an event in 2015.*

**13/172 Correspondence.**

Members considered the following correspondence received by the Clerk since the last meeting most of which had already been circulated.

Shropshire Council – Outdoor Recreation report.

Shropshire Council - Community Infrastructure Training event.

*Chairman and Clerk to attend.*

ALC – Meetings re. ‘Determining Planning Applications’.

*Councillors D. Roberts, A. Foster, P. Sharp Mrs. J. Manley and the Clerk had attended this event run by Shropshire ALC and the Chairman gave a brief overview of the event.*

Richard Bailey – fly tipping on road behind Rapra.

*Reported to Shropshire Council for action and the work had been carried out.*

Jill Manley – fallen tree branch at rear of Glebelands.

*Richard Bailey had cleared the site. Mrs. Manley reported that although the tree appeared to be in the gardens of the properties it was actually on the Glebe so there would be a need to keep it monitored.*

ALC – NALC Bulletin. – Bulletin January 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Rospa – Play Area Inspections.

*Planned for June with a request for notification of the date, to allow the Inspector to be accompanied during the inspection.*

ALC – Health Matters.

ALC – Telford Council’s invitation to Holocaust Memorial event.

Simon Jones –road works alert.

Nicola Wall- Emergency Planning Seminar – *Councillor John Kennedy to attend.*

Insurance Company – reference bird box building workshop.

*Event covered by existing policy.*

**13/173 Accounts for Payment:**

It was resolved to pay the following invoices:

Mr. J. Wilson	Salary (February)	£538.86
Mr. J. Wilson	Expenses (January)	£93.07

Inland Revenue	Tax/N.I (February)	£134.80
Mr. T. Creber	Village work (February)	£417.00
Mr. R. Bailey	Routine mowing, maintenance and inspections	£333.00
Scottish Power	Electricity costs (30/9 -31/12)	£733.58
Shropshire Trophy	Seat Plaque	£14.80

**13/174 Financial Statement: was tabled and approved.**

A financial statement was tabled and approved.

**13/175 Exchange of Information:**

(a) Items for inclusion on the next agenda:

No items raised.

(b) The following concerns were reported:

(i) Highways:

No issues raised

(ii) Streetlights:

No issues raised

(iii) Other:

1. Waste bin by the chip shop had not been emptied and was creating litter.
2. Promised action to re-locate the waste bin to the new site of the bus stop on the A53 had not been done.
3. Footpath in Edgebolton was in a dreadful condition.
4. Report from Mr. Bailey regarding loose dogs and fouling on the playing field. He had relevant pictures and had asked if these could be sent to the dog warden for action to be taken. Members agreed.

**13/176 Litter Picking Contract:**

Clerk reported that the post had been advertised and Shropshire Council had been provided with the details. By the dead line there had only one application and this was from Mr. Creber who was the holder of the present contract and he had quoted an annual figure of £2,380.00 for the work. This was accepted by Members and the Clerk was asked to inform Mr. Creber of the decision, subject to him supplying the Clerk with a copy of his third party insurance cover and a risk assessment. Clerk was also asked to advise him that the first payment for the work would be at the end of April and subsequently at the end of each month. There would be a review of the contract after 12 months.

**13/177 Grass Cutting Contracts.**

Clerk reported that he had advised Nobridge of the situation and sent them copies of the new contract details. Three other companies had made contact but to date there had been no quotations received but the closing date for receipt was not until February 25th.

**13/178 Reports from:**

**(a) Police:**

The following offences had been recorded during December.

Church Close/Church Street – 3 anti-social behaviour; River Gardens -1 vehicle crime; Petrol Station – 1 burglary; A53 – 1 criminal damage/arson.

**(b) RAF Shawbury:**

It was noted that Family Day would be on July 25<sup>th</sup>. – no programme available yet.

**(c) Shropshire Council:**

No report tabled.

**13/179 Planning Applications:**

A. The following application had been received.

RAF Shawbury – demolition of a pre-fabricated portable building.

No response required.

**13/180 Committee/Other Reports:**ALC Area Committee:

Mr. Sharp reported that he had attended the last meeting when there had been an interesting talk but little time to discuss any business issues. He was prepared to act as the Council representative on the Committee, replacing Mrs. Manley who had resigned. His offer was accepted with gratitude and the Clerk would advise the Area ALC Committee Secretary.

LJC Planning Meeting:

Mr. Kennedy reported that

- (a) It had been decided to recommend approval of the applications received for grants and this would use up all the money available.
- (b) In future the LJC would not receive any finance from Shropshire Council but the Committee would continue to operate with a different format, details of which still had to be finalised.

**13/181 Charity Grants:**

.Applications had been received from the following organisations:

Macmillan Nursing; Severn Hospice; Hope House; Talking Newspaper; Marie Curie Cancer Care; Citizens Advice Bureau; Shawbury Scout and Guide Management Committee.

It was unanimously agreed to make a donation of £70.00 to each charity.

**13/182 Press Matters:**

No matters to report.

**13/183 Date and Time of next meeting:**

The next meeting will be on March 11th. 2014 at 7.00pm in Shawbury Village Hall.

**Approved as a true record of the Meeting.**

**Signed; D. Roberts (Chairman)**

**Date: March 11<sup>th</sup>.2014**