

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SHAWBURY PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE
VILLAGE HALL ON TUESDAY MAY 5th. 2015 at 7.00pm.**

Public Session:

There were no members of the public present and no issues raised.

Present:

Mr. D. Roberts
 Ms. S. McIntosh
 Mrs. J. Manley
 Mr. R. Pinches
 Mr. A. G. Foster
 Mrs. M. Clark
 Mr. J. Kennedy
 Mrs. G. Matthews
 Miss R. Wall
 Mrs T. Howells
 Mrs. F. Medley

In Attendance:

Shropshire Councillor S. Jones.
 The Parish Clerk.
 Lt. M. McArdle R.N. (RAF Shawbury).

Apologies:

Apologies were presented and accepted from Councillor Mr. P. Sharp.

15/19 Declaration of Personal or Prejudicial Interests:

There were no declarations.

15/20 (a) Election of Chairman:

Mr. D. Roberts was proposed, seconded and elected on a unanimous vote.

15/20 (b) Election of Vice Chairman:

Ms. S. McIntosh was proposed, seconded and elected on a unanimous vote.

The Chairman and Vice Chairman then signed a 'Declaration of Acceptance of Office'.

15/21 Appointment of Representatives:

The following appointments were confirmed:

SALC Area Committee – Mr. Paul Sharp.
 Wem and Shawbury Local Joint Committee – Mr. J. Kennedy.
 Helicopter Noise Liaison Committee – Mr. J. Kennedy.
 United Charities Committee – Mrs. F. Medley and Mrs. M. Clarke.
 Shawbury Village Hall Committee – Mrs F. Medley.

15/22 Minutes of Meeting held on April 14th. 2015:

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

15/23 Matters Arising:

(a)Highways:

No reports of any work completed on issues previously raised with the Highways Department.

(b) Community Awards:

Clerk reported that he had ordered the Certificates and the Plaques and confirmed details with Group Captain Smith. He had received one further nomination but it was too late to be considered. Mrs. Medley expressed her delight at receiving an award but would be in hospital and unable to attend.

(c) Annual Parish Meeting:

The Agenda for the meeting was confirmed.

(d) Floodlit Play Area:

Mrs. Howells reported that a lit grassed area did not appear to be suitable and it was decided to take no further action at present.

(e) Council Award for Community Groups:

It was agreed that individual Members could propose a Council Award for a group achieving something that brought credit to the community as well as to the group. The proposal would need to be seconded and supported by a majority of the Members.

(f) Shawbury Fun Day:

It was agreed that the Council would support the event by sponsoring one or more activities and £200 was allocated. Mrs. Howells to liaise with the Clerk regarding suitable activities. Clerk to produce a leaflet indicating Council Membership and responsibilities.

15/24 Correspondence:

Members considered the following correspondence received by the Clerk since the last meeting, most of which had already been sent to them:

SALC – Shropshire Council possible changes to decisions on planning applications.

SALC – Bulletin April 21st.

NALC – Newsletter April 20th.

RoSPA – Annual Play Area Inspection.

This would take place in June and Mr. Bailey had agreed to accompany the Inspector during the inspection.

Richard Bailey – vandalism to Car Park Floral Gateway.

It was reported that the incident had been recorded by the CCTV camera and details passed to the police, who would take appropriate action.

Richard Bailey – damage to Erdington Close Play Area Fence.

Fencing had been damaged by balls being kicked against the panels. Mr. Bailey had erected ‘No Ball Games’ signs but the first one had been quickly removed.

Kelsey Wilson – Hope House Volunteers.

Gail Power – April Health and Well Being Newsletter.

Police Commissioner – Weekly Newsletter.

15/25 Accounts for Payment:

It was resolved to pay the following invoices:

Mr. J. Wilson	Salary (May)	£550.70
Mr. J. Wilson	Expenses (April)	£102.25
Inland Revenue	Tax (May)	£137.80
	N.I. (May)	£1.72
Mr. R. Bailey	Maintenance (April)	£451.50
Mr. T. Creber	Village work (April)	£300.00
NALC	LCR Subscription	£17.00
SALC	Training fee – Clerk (F.O.I.)	£20.00
AON	Annual Insurance	£2,246.24
Nobridge Ltd	Ground maintenance (April)	£582.16

15/26(a) Financial Statement:

Clerk explained that the bank statements were normally received on the 3rd. of the month but the weekend and Bank Holiday had caused a delay. He confirmed that he had been advised that the precept and the VAT return had both been sent to the bank. He would give a full up-date at the next meeting.

15/26(b) Income and Expenditure Account 2014 - 2015 (Not Audited).

Clerk provided Members with a copy for information purposes. It would not be published until the internal audit had been completed. A three year comparison of income and expenditure was also issued.

15/27 Exchange of Information:

(a) Agenda Items for the next meeting:

None raised.

(b) The following items were reported:

(i) Highways:

(a) Footpath from Bridgeway to the Base:

Overgrown with weeds and also a lot of dog faeces present.

(b) Sign in Church Street pavement close to the butchers shop.

Needs replacing as base is rotten

Clerk to report both issues to Victoria Doran for action.

(c) Missing Inspection Plate in road by traffic lights.

Councillor Jones had reported this to Severn Trent.

(ii) Street Lighting:

Clerk reported that under a new EU Directive all mercury vapour lighting has to be phased out by the end of this year. This affected two lights on Wytheford Road and it would cost £500.00 per light. Remedial work was approved – Clerk to arrange with EON.

(iii) Other:

Mr. Kennedy reported that another rotten bollard on the edge of the playing field needed replacing:

Clerk reported that this had been reported to Mr. Allmark and he had been asked to carry out a full inspection on all the bollards. He had apologised for a delay caused by an excessive work load.

Mr. Kennedy also reported that Mr. John Tait had indicated that he would like to be registered as a contractor if any metal seats needed repair/ replacing or similar work carried out.

It was agreed to register his name on the contractors list.

15/28 Reports from:

(a) **Police:**

No report tabled.

(b) **RAF Shawbury:**

Lt. McArdle reported that the C.O would be unable to attend the Annual Parish Meeting and had asked him to present the awards.

(c) **Shropshire Council:**

Ms. McIntosh reported that once again the grass verges were being cut before the waste material had been collected and Councillor Jones agreed to investigate this.

15/29 Planning:

The following application was tabled:

Amendment to outline application for residential development on land east of A53.

No further comments made.

15/30 Committee Reports:

No reports tabled.

15/31 Litter/Dog Fouling Problems:

(a) **Litter**

Mr. Kennedy reported that Veolia were refusing to collect the bags of rubbish from Mr. Creber, which he was having to keep by his house. The Chairman agreed to take up the issue with Veolia management and would liaise with Mr. Kennedy and Mr. Creber.

(b) **Dog Waste**

It appeared that since the RAF had imposed restrictions on dog walking in Dawsons Rough, a number of owners were bringing their dogs to the playing field early in the morning and letting them run free.

They needed reminding of the regulations covering the field and Lt. McArdle agreed to have a report published in the camp's internal newsletter and Mrs. Matthews stated she would visit the area early in the morning and speak to the dog owners.

15/32 Press Matters:

Election of Chairman/Vice Chairman; a report on the car park vandalism; information about bus shelters and outdoor fitness area to be sent to Carolyn Rathbone for inclusion in the next Parish Newsletter.

Information about Annual Parish Meeting to be sent to the press.

15/33 Date and Time of next meeting:

The next meeting will be on June 9th. 2015 at 7.00pm in Shawbury Village Hall.

Approved as a true record of the Meeting.

Signed: D. Roberts **(Chairman)** **Date: June 9th. 2015**