

**SHAWBURY PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL**  
**ON TUESDAY AUGUST 8<sup>TH</sup>. 2023 at 7.00pm.**

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**Public Session:**

There was one member of the public present who reported that he had been subject to verbal abuse and felt that the Council should provide CCTV cameras throughout the village, which would have helped the police identify the person who had carried out the abuse.

The Chairman pointed out the cost of doing this was prohibitive and support was offered by Members.

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**Present:**

Mr. B. Lyon (Chairman).

Mr. A. Brown

Mrs. J. Herbert

Mr. M. Roberts

Mr. P. Sharp

Mr. J. Vernon

Mr. C. Forshaw

Mr. C. Kirkup

Mr. R. Pinches

**In Attendance:**

Shropshire Councillor S. Jones.

Flt/Lt. J. Jones (RAF Shawbury).

The Parish Clerk.

**23/57 Apologies:**

Apologies were received from Councillors Ms. S. McIntosh, Mr. K. Pickering and Mr. A. Foster

**23/58 Disclosure of Personal or Prejudicial Interests.**

No interests were declared.

**23/59 Minutes of Meeting held on July 11<sup>th</sup>. at 7.00pm.**

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

**23/60 Matters Arising.**

**(a) Up-graded VAS Units (23/46(a) :**

After detailed consideration it was agreed that the Clerk should get an estimate of the cost of replacing a current unit with one of the more friendly warning signs

**(b) The Allotment (23/49):**

The Clerk reported that he had spoken to a planning officer at Shropshire Council who had confirmed that an entrance gate to the allotment from the field did not require planning approval if it was under five feet high but if the old shed was being removed, the Council would need to apply for permission. The placement of a container on site was unlikely to be approved.

It was agreed to install the gate and to seek planning approval for the erection of a wooden shed. It was pointed out that the shed was to be used to store essential Council equipment, which Members were currently having to keep at their own properties.

**(c) Re-naming the Playing Field:**

Permission had been received from the Cabinet Office and the Diocese to call the Playing Field, area 'Queens Park' with links to the Moat and Glebe but it was felt there needed to be public consultation before any action was taken. Details of the proposal would be published seeking feedback and the Vice Chairman agreed to bring more details to the next meeting.

**23/61 Correspondence.**

Members considered the attached list of correspondence received by the Clerk since the last meeting and forwarded to Members, noting that where necessary appropriate actions had been taken or responses made.

**23/62 Accounts for Payment and Financial Statement.**

(a) Payment of the following accounts was approved:

Mr. J. Wilson	Salary (August)	£669.02
Mr. J. Wilson	Expenses (July)	£68.25
Inland Revenue	PAYE + N.I (August)	£177.99
Mr. M. Varndell	Collection & disposal of litter (July)	£450.00
Mr. A.P. Sharp	Expenses – Moat & Glebe	£84.95

(b) The financial statement was tabled and approved.

**23/63 Wytheford Road Chicken Farm.**

Councillor M. Roberts indicated that most of the issues about the development had been resolved but there were still concerns about road safety with HGVs accessing and exiting the site from the Wytheford Road. It was agreed to see if a suitable warning sign could be erected.

**23/64 Exchange of Information:**

(a) Additional Agenda items for the next meeting:

Mid-Year Financial report.

(b) Issues Needing Urgent Attention:

(i) Highways:

(ii) Streetlights:

The Clerk reported that the new streetlight contractors had not carried out the changes in Bridgeway and Millbrook and it appeared to be caused by a problem with Scottish Power.

Other:

No issues tabled.

**23/64 Reports from:**

**(a) Police:**

The following incidents were recorded in June

Violence - 5 (Chantry Close 2; Church Close 1; Coppice Close 1; A53 1).

Burglary – 2 (Church Street).

Anti-Social Behaviour -1 (A53).

Criminal Damage -1 (Coppice Close).

Public Order-1 (A53).

Other Theft -1 (Aries Drive).

**(b) RAF Shawbury:**

Flt. Lt. James reported that:

(a) Night flying could go on until 2.30am which is when the base shuts down.

(b) Families Day was taking place on August 10<sup>th</sup>. when there would be a range of aircraft visiting which could cause excessive noise

(c) There were still some Hi-Viz clothing available for horse riders

(d) They were still seeking suitable projects for trainees to give assistance under supervision.

**(c) Shropshire Council:**

Shropshire Councillor S. Jones reported that:

(a) Savings of £9 million pounds had been identified.

(b) Progress was being made in the negotiations with the Environment Agency regarding the construction of the Shrewsbury North West relief road.

(c) Discussions were on-going regarding additional support for rural bus services.

(d) A planning application had been submitted regarding the demolition of the Riverside Shopping area in Shrewsbury.

(e) Chief Constable Pippa Mills was leaving to take up a senior post in The Metropolitan Police.

(f) The RAF Helicopter Noise Liaison Committee was being restructured and in future would be called 'The Helicopter Liaison Committee'.

**23/65 Planning Applications:**

A. The following application had been received for consideration:

10, White Lodge Park, Shawbury – erection of a part two storey/part first floor extension and replacement porch (21/03132/FUL) *No objections raised.*

B. The following application had been approved by Shropshire Council

Shawbury Moat Area – Remedial work on trees (23/02112/TPO).

C. The following application has been refused by Shropshire Council:

11, White Lodge Park, Shawbury – New Dwelling (23/01912/FUL)

**23/66 Place Plan Review:**

The Shawbury element of the plan had been studied and it was noted that the following items needed to be removed as they had already been actioned:

Financial support for the development of Junior Football pitches; Improvements to the Moat; VAS Units on roads leading into Shawbury and the Up-grade of the Council owned street lights.

The following items needed to be included in the new plan – Effective road marking on the A53 and a warning sign for the pedestrian crossing.

Details would be sent to the Parish Place Plan Officer.

**23/67 Document Review:**

The following policy documents were reviewed and up-dated:

Risk Assessment and Risk Management:

Standing Orders and Financial Regulations:

The Supporting Statement.

**23/68 Committee and Other Reports.**

SALC Area Meeting:

Councillor M. Roberts had already circulated a detailed report of the meeting and reported that a 'Safeguarding Policy' would be issued soon and he would bring details to a Council meeting. Surveys had been taking place in the Parish regarding the installation of fibre optic cabling

**23/69 Press Matters.**

Clerk to produce a report.

**23/70 Date of Next Council Meeting:**

Tuesday September 12<sup>th</sup>. 2023 at 7.00pm in Shawbury Village Hall.

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

**Signed:** \_\_\_\_\_ **(Chairman)**      **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Details**

Details of correspondence received since the July meeting.

Keep Britain Tidy – Parks events.

Resident – Reporting out of date information on the Council web site.

Adrian Vine (RAF Shawbury) request for straw bales.

Resident – Further complaint re. over grown hedge.

Cllr. J. Vernon - report of graffiti on play area equipment.

Resident – Thanks for up-dated web site information.

Cllr. M. Roberts – report of SALC Area Meeting.

Nick Watson – Save Bishop Castle NHS beds.

Save our Shropshire – Birthday Celebrations.

Cllr S. Jones – Traffic Enforcement.  
Works Team – Planned A53 repairs etc.  
Andrea McWilliams – CIL Infrastructure Projects.  
Resident – Disused bowling green.  
Cllr. M. Roberts – Fallen Tree in Moat  
Shawbury Newsletter.  
Dianne Dorrell - New Community Tennis sessions.  
ALC – Shropshire Council News Story.  
Nick Williams – Waste Bins  
John Campion - West Midland Police Newsletter.  
Dianne Dorrell – SALC Latest News.  
Works Team – Plans for work on the A53.  
Stephen Robinson – Police Newsletter.  
Planning – Work on Moat trees approved.  
Adrian Vine – Families Day at RAF Shawbury.