

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SHAWBURY PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE
VILLAGE HALL ON TUESDAY 14th. JANUARY 2020 at 7.00pm.**

Public Session:

Four members of Shawbury Football Club were present and Mr. Phil Moore gave an up-date on the plan to develop a Community Sports and Recreation Centre on land adjacent to the A53. Members welcomed the report and promised to support the plans they were putting forward.

In the absence of the Chairman, Councillor C. Kennedy chaired the meeting.

Present

Mr. C. Kennedy (Chairman)

Mr. B. Lyon

Mr. J. Vernon

Mrs. J. Manley

Mr. P. Sharp

Mrs. J. Herbert

Mr. R. Pinches

Mr. A. Brown

Mr. C. Kirkup,

In Attendance:

Shropshire Councillor Mr. S. Jones.

The Parish Clerk.

19/145 Apologies:

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillors Mr. A. G. Foster (Council Chairman), Ms. S. McIntosh and Mr. D. Roberts

19/146 Personal or Prejudicial Interests.

There were no interests declared.

19/147 Minutes of Meeting held on December 10th. 2019.

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

19/148 Matters Arising.

(a) Church Close and Park Avenue Streetlights (19/133(d))

The Clerk reported that he had contacted the resident in Church Close, who responded immediately, stating that he had not told the contractors that they could not have access to his property to repair the light. They arrived, did a little digging, said that they needed a mechanical digger and promised to return but he was never contacted again. He agreed to send a letter to Eon giving permission for Scottish Power to carry out the repair work.

Following receipt of that letter a site meeting was held with Eon to consider improvements to the lights in Church Close and Park Avenue once the repair had been carried out.

As a result of the site visit, a quotation of £6,532.37 (+VAT) had been received from EON to replace the concrete and cast-iron posts with modern posts; re-locate the post at No. 34 and install LED units in all the lights. After due consideration it was proposed that the quotation should be accepted and this was seconded and passed by 8 votes to 1.

(b) Armed Services Covenant (19/138(c))

Councillor P. Sharp outlined a draft statement which stated that:

'The Parish Council honours the Armed Forces Covenant and supports the Armed Forces Community past and present, recognising the value the military services contribute to the Country'.

It was noted that the Covenant is supported by Shropshire Council, many businesses and the wider community and there are no financial issues involved.

After detailed discussion it was proposed that the Council should support the Covenant and this was passed by six votes to two with one abstention.

Full details of the Covenant are on file.

(c) Sewerage Leak (19/138(a))

Clerk reported that he sent details to Severn Trent and the Environment Agency asking for clarification of the cause of the problem and actions being taken to prevent a reoccurrence. He had not received any replies. Clerk agreed to contact Severn Trent again.

(d) Smartwater

It was agreed that there was no need to accept the offer from West Mercia Police to erect improved signs but to ask for signs to be erected on the two new estates. It was also agreed to publish an article about the scheme for new residents.

(e) Meeting with Shropshire Council Officers regarding sinking utility covers and drainage problems on A53 and other areas of the village

Councillor J. Kennedy confirmed that he and the Clerk met Mr. Richard Garbett and Mr. Ian Walshaw from Shropshire Council and that they had shown them the problems. They had agreed that there was an urgent need to undertake remedial work but pointed out the lack of finance available for projects.

The Clerk was asked to thank the officers for attending and ask them to keep the Council informed of any improvements that were planned.

19/149 Correspondence

Members considered the correspondence which had been received by the Clerk since the last meeting and necessary responses were made.

19/150 Accounts for Payment.

It was resolved to pay the following accounts:

Mr. J. Wilson	Salary (January)		£595.40
Mr. J. Wilson	Expenses (December)		£60.81
Inland Revenue	PAYE (January)	£149.00	
	N.I. (January)	£ 3.50	£152.50
Mr. R. Bailey	Maintenance (December)		£250.00
Mr. T. Creber	Litter collection (December)		£320.00
Shawbury Village Hall	Hosting CCTV Equipment in 2019		£250.00
Scottish Power	Electricity charges (30/09/19 -31/12/19)		£165.31
Outdoor Restore	Cleaning bus shelters		£90.00

19/151 Financial Statement:

A financial statement was tabled and approved.

19/152 Exchange of Information.

(a) Agenda Items for next meeting:

Section 137 Grants.

Concerns about litter in parts of the Parish.

(b) The following items of concern were considered:

(i) Highways:

(a) Junction of A53 and Wytheford Road – problem with blocked drain.

(b) Delays at the traffic lights which were being caused by sensors in the road not working. It was noted repairs had been promised.

(ii) Street Lighting:

No issues raised.

(iii) Other:

Behaviour of drivers ignoring traffic signals.

Report of litter in some parts of the Parish.

19/153 Reports from:**(a) Police:**Police Incidents recorded in November:

Millbrook Drive – Violence 1 (Under investigation).

Mytton Road – Theft 1 (No suspect identified).

Parking Area – Violence 4 (3 under investigation and action on one to be taken by another organisation).

White Lodge Park - Burglary 1 (Under investigation).

Leasowes Park - Anti-Social Behaviour 1; Criminal Damage 1 (No suspect identified).

Church Close – Violence 1 (Unable to prosecute suspect).

Glebelands – Violence 1 (Under investigation).

Poynton Road – Violence 4 (Two under investigation and the other two will have action taken by another organisation; Anti - Social Behaviour 1.

(b) RAF Shawbury:

No report tabled.

(c) Shropshire Council:

Shropshire Councillor S. Jones:

(a) Recommended that Members should study and respond to the recently circulated Shropshire Place Plan.

(b) Confirmed that he was continuing to chase the Highways Department over issues which had been raised by the Parish and

(c) He would see if he could arrange for P.C. Liam Heathcote to spend time in the Village checking driving standards.

Councillor A. Brown raised a number of issues with Councillor Jones related to the erection of road signs and the need for the traffic order to be confirmed on the A53 by the new estate.

19/154 Poynton Road Housing Development Grant:School Parking Restrictions:

No progress had been made.

Junior Football Pitch.

The grant of £10,000.00 had been ‘ring fenced’ by the Council and would be made available to the Community Sports and Recreational Centre at the appropriate time.

19/155 Planning:The following application had been received and was considered:Wytheford House, Wytheford Farm

Erection of two free range layers buildings, egg store, four feed bins, machinery store, balancing pond and associated work (19/05596/EIA).

Concerns were raised about the impact of the development on the local environment, particularly as it is close to the river and it was questioned whether the current access track would be adequate for an increased number of HGVs.

The following application has been refused by Shropshire Council:

122, Church Street – construction of detached double garage and reinstatement of driveway (19/04795/FUL).

19/156 Committee and Other Reports.

No reports tabled.

19/157 Group and Community Service Awards.

There were no nominations for a Group Award and it was decided to place an article in the Newsletter seeking nominations for Community Service Awards.

19/158 Press Matters.

Smartwater; Community Service Awards; Replacement Streetlights.

19/159 Date and time of next meeting.

The next meeting will be on February 11th. 2020 at 7.00pm in Shawbury Village Hall.

Approved as a true record of the Meeting.

Signed: A. G. Foster (Chairman) **Date:** February, 18th. 2020

Correspondence received since December meeting:

Gail Power – G.P. access over Festive Period

Shrewsbury/Telford NHS Trust –care of patients with mental health problems.

Shropshire Council – Support choice for care.

Dianne Dorrell Monday News (December 16th.)

Kelly Thompson – Building controls (New Appointments)

Dianne Dorrell – December Bulletin.

Police Commissioner’s Newsletter.

NALC – CEO’s Newsletter.

Dianne Dorrell – Monday’s news (December 23rd.).

John Vernon – Allotment access.

Paul Johnson – Dementia friendly services.

Isobel Tierney – posters

Gail Power – Shropshire Council Place Plans.

Jamie Robinson – Local planned events.

Police Commissioner – Media Release.

Dianne Dorrell – Monday News (January 13th).