

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SHAWBURY PARISH COUNCIL HELD ONLINE ON
TUESDAY 12th. JANUARY 2021 at 7.00pm.**

Public Session:

No members of the public accessed the meeting and no issues had been raised.

Present:

Mr. C. Kennedy (Chairman)

Mr. B. Lyon

Mr. A. G. Foster

Mr. A. Brown

Mr. P. Sharp

Mr. D. Roberts

Mr. C. Kirkup

Mr. J. Vernon

Mrs. J. Herbert

Ms. S. McIntosh.

In Attendance:

Lt. M. Peters (RAF Shawbury).

The Parish Clerk.

20/119 Apologies:

Apologies had been received from Councillor R. Pinches and Shropshire Councillor S. Jones.

20/120 Personal or Prejudicial Interests.

No interests were declared.

20/121 Minutes of Meeting held on December 8th. 2020

The minutes of the meeting having been circulated were approved after a slight amendment to the numbering of items and at an appropriate time would be signed by the Chairman as a true record.

20/122 Matters Arising.

(a) Road Sign repairs (20/107(a)).

Councillor P. Sharp confirmed that the order for the remaining signs had been placed and was in the process of being completed for dispatch. As soon as the signs arrived John Tait would complete the project.

(b) Post Office (20/107(b)).

Members expressed pleasure on hearing that the Outreach Post Office would be stationed in the Village Hall and would start operating in March.

(c) Play area fencing (20/107(c)).

Councillor P. Sharp reported that he was seeking quotations from two companies who would arrange to meet him on site and he would ask for the following quotes from each company:

(a) For the removal and disposal of the current wood fencing and replacing it with a new metal fence and

(b) For simply installing a new metal fence and leaving the Council to arrange the removal and disposal of the old wooden one.

(d) Allotment – sale of land (20/107 (d)).

The Housing Association had been informed that the Council was interested in purchasing the land and given details of the suggested use of the site. The latest report from them indicated that an independent surveyor had visited the allotment and they were awaiting his report but they were not looking at thousands of pounds for the land.

(e) Replacement of vandalised seat (20/107e)).

It was noted that Members had not raised any objections to a quotation of £300.00 from JST Services for repairing the seat in the Moat. It was agreed that the money for the work would come from the donation made by RAF Shawbury earlier in the year.

(f) Carradine streetlight (20/110).

Clerk reported that because of Covid restrictions Garry Johnson had been unable to visit the Parish to assess the work and provide a quotation. He was still awaiting a response from Scottish Power confirming a date when they were able to carry out the work in Bridgeway and Millbrook.

(g) Tasks previously undertaken by Mr. Richard Bailey:

Members considered a document which had been prepared by Councillor P. Sharp and circulated to them prior to the meeting:

It was agreed that:

(a) The Clerk should seek a quotation from Nobridge for carrying out the identified spraying programme and to discuss with them the possibility of undertaking the grass cutting and that Councillor R. Pinches would be contacted to see if he would be able to carry out this task.

(b) Access 2 Trees Ltd. would be contacted to deal with any problems relating to trees that needed the use of specialist equipment.

(c) Further consideration would need to be given to other identified tasks.

Councillor A. Brown suggested that there may be a need to revise elements of the budget to cover what is likely to be an increased cost. It was agreed to consider this when estimates had been received.

20/123 Correspondence.

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

20/124 Accounts for Payment and Financial Statement.(a) It was resolved to pay the following accounts:

Mr. J. Wilson	Salary (January)		£611.61
Mr. J. Wilson	Expenses (December)		£32.82
Inland Revenue	PAYE (January)	£153.00	
	N.I. (January)	£4.50	£157.50
Mr. T. Creber	Litter collection (December)		£340.00
Mr. C. J. Kennedy	Zoom registration (December)		£14.39
Ms. J. Jarvis	Defibrillator expenses		£100.00
JST Services	Community Environment Project		£540.00
PTS Skip Hire	Community Environment Project		£520.00
Bin Liners Direct	Wheely bin liners		£18.47
Mr. R. Bailey	Routine maintenance (Oct/Nov/Dec.)		£753.00
Mr. J. Kennedy	Zoom registration (January)		£14.39

(b) Financial Statement:

The January statement was considered and approved.

20/125 Shawbury Housing Needs Survey.

Members supported the plan put forward by Shropshire Council and looked forward to co-operating with them.

20/126 Exchange of Information.(a) Agenda Items for next meeting:

No new items raised.

(b) Other Issues:i. Highways:A53 Improvements:

Clerk reported that he had made contact with officers at Shropshire Council who had confirmed that it was intended to have discussions with the Parish Council regarding the plan to carry out work on the A53 to improve the access to the Mytton Estate.

2. Road at rear of RAPRA – Fly Tipping:

The Chairman reported that a considerable amount of litter including old tyres had been deposited along the total length of the road.

Clerk to advise Shropshire Council (Highways) with a request that urgent action be taken to clear the road verges.

ii Streetlights.

No issues raised

iii. Other Reports:(a) Elections:

The Clerk confirmed that the Shropshire and Parish Council elections were planned for Thursday, May 6th.

(b) Dog Fouling and Litter:

Councillor Mrs. Herbert raised concerns about the increased amount of dog fouling on the playing field and in the Moat and Glebe areas and Councillor P. Sharp commented on the large amount litter that was being left in the Moat and Glebe. Their concerns were supported by all the Members and it was agreed that renewed notices were required, reminding walkers of the need to keep the areas clean and pointing out that on the playing field dogs should be kept on leads. The Chairman and Councillor Sharp would look into the possibility of securing suitable notices.

(c) Moles:

Councillor P. Sharp reported that moles were creating a problem in the burial ground and urgent action was needed.

Clerk to contact the contractor who had worked for the Council previously and seek his advice and a quotation for undertaking the work.

(d) Community Environment Project:

Councillor A. Brown queried whether further work was planned on the Wem Road footpath. The Chairman pointed out that the work on the path had been carried out and paid for under the terms of the matched funding the Council had received from Shropshire Council. The work on Wem Road had been completed but there was a need to review further work on pavements. An excellent job had been done but the cost was increased by the need to hire skips to remove the waste which was mainly grass and soil as Shropshire Council and Veolia had not been prepared to help.

On a visit to the Parish, Mr. Ian Walshaw (Highways Officer responsible for the Environment Project), had met Councillor P. Sharp and pointed out that it was part of Keir's contract to do this type of work. The Clerk confirmed that in a bid for the approved grant, footpath clearance had been one of the main areas highlighted as many requests to Shropshire Council for action on clearing the paths had not resulted in any action.

The Clerk was asked to seek clarification from Shropshire Council before any further work was carried out on paths and to also speak to Councillor R. Pinches regarding disposal of the spoil as he may be prepared to help.

20/127 Reports from:**(a) Police:**Incidents recorded in November:

Other theft – 1 (Church Close).

Violence – 1 (A53 Petrol station A53).

(b) RAF Shawbury.

Lt/ M. Peters reported that he was in possession of a letter and cheque addressed to the Chairman and agreed to leave it with the Vice Chairman for delivery.

(c) Shropshire Council.

There was no report tabled.

20/128 Planning.

A. The following applications had been received and were considered with no objections raised:

1. Wytheford House Farm – erection of three organic free range egg units with associated infrastructure (amended application of 19/05596) (20/05050/FUL)
2. Central Garage, Drayton Road – erection of a new retail convenience store (20/05303/FUL).

B. The following application has been approved:

Woodlea, Mytton Road, Shawbury –single storey rear and two storey front extensions (20/03425/FUL).

20/129 Elephant & Castle Public House – removal from ACV list.

It was noted that that the order granted to CamRA had expired but it was decided that no action should be taken to have it renewed.

20/130 Committee and Other Reports.

No reports tabled.

20/131 Press Matters.

Clerk to send a report to the Newsletter highlighting the problems with litter and dog fouling.

20/132 Date of Next Meeting:

Tuesday February 9th. 2021. at 7.00pm.

Approved as a true record of the Meeting.

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Signed: C.J. Kennedy (Chairman) Date: February 11th. 2021

Correspondence received since the December meeting:

NALC –CEO’s Bulletin.*

Police Commissioner – Newsletter.*

John Dargavel – Bronze ERS Award.*

Dianne Dorrell – News in Brief.*

George Frost Jones – Re-surfacing work on A53.*

Cllr. S. Jones – Post Office news.*

Shropshire Council – Community Rights (Elephant & Castle).*

Cllr. P. Sharp – A53 Roundabout.*

Gail Power – Medical help over Christmas period.*

Diann Dorrell – Community re-assurance.*

Dianne Dorrell – Shropshire Local Plan review.*

Dianne Dorrell – NALC’s latest bulletin.*

Dianne Dorrell _ News in Brief.*

Dianne Dorrell - Latest from the Voluntary & Community Sector.*

Kate Manning – NHS 111 details and poster.

Dianne Dorrell – Census 2021.*

Police Commissioner – Newsletter.*

Dianne Dorrell – Support for vulnerable families.*
Cllr. Mrs. J. Herbert – Tree damage in the Moat.
Temporary Wynn – Connect Security Ltd.*
Ercall Magna Parish Council – Proposed Neighbourhood Plan.*
Dianne Dorrell – News in Brief.*
Russ Currie – Defibrillator Rotas
Shelly Davies – RAF Shawbury night flying.*
Gail Power – Shropshire Safeguarding Partnership.*
WM Regional Employer – Defence Employer Recognition Scheme 2021