

**MINUTES OF THE AGM OF SHAWBURY PARISH COUNCIL HELD ONLINE ON
TUESDAY 19th. MAY 2020 at 7.00pm.**

Public Session:

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

Present

Mr. A. G. Foster
Mr. C. Kennedy
Mr. B. Lyon
Mrs. J. Herbert
Mrs. J. Manley
Mr. A. Brown
Mr. C. Kirkup
Ms. S. McIntosh
Mr. P. Sharp
Mr. D. Roberts
Mr. J. Vernon

In Attendance:

Shropshire Councillor S. Jones.
The Parish Clerk.

Welcome:

The current Chairman welcomed Members and thanked them for taking the effort to access what was an unusual way to hold a meeting. As he was retiring from the post of Chairman, he wished to thank everyone for their support over the past two years, which had been an interesting and enjoyable experience.

20/01 Apologies:

Apologies had been received from Councillor R. Pinches

20/02 Personal or Prejudicial Interests.

There were no interests declared.

20/03 Election of Chairman.

Councillor C. J. Kennedy was elected on a unanimous vote and took over responsibility for the meeting. Accepting the post, he expressed sincere thanks to the retiring Chairman for all the hard work he had undertaken during his tenure and his comments were supported by all the Members.

20/04 Election of Vice Chairman.

Councillor B. Lyon was the only nomination and was elected on a unanimous vote.

20/05 Appointment of Representatives.

In view of the current circumstances all the current representatives agreed to continue in post.

20/06 Minutes of Meeting held on March 10th. 2020 and report from the Clerk on April 10th.

The minutes of the meeting and the report, having been circulated, were approved and at an appropriate time would be signed by the Chairman as a true record.

20/07 Matters Arising.

(a) Church Close and Park Avenue New Lights (19/179/ (a)):

The Clerk reported that both Eon and Scottish Power had been working with a reduced labour force dealing mainly with emergency work. However, Eon staff were returning to work and it was planned to install the new posts later in the week and it was hoped that Scottish Power would be able to make the necessary power connections.

b) Highways Issues (19/179(c):

Church Street:

Shropshire Council had confirmed that the 'lay-by' in Church Street was part of the Highway and P.C. L. Heathcote had agreed to monitor parking in the street and to take appropriate action where necessary.

Water Leakage and A53 Roundabout:

Action had been taken to repair the leakage of water close to the school but there had been no further response to the concerns that had been raised about the roundabout on the A53.

(c) Shawbury United Sports and Recreation Centre - application for CIL (Local) Funding (19/179(d) :

Prior to the introduction of the current coronavirus regulations, Shropshire Council had indicated an interest in giving some form of support to the project, subject to certain conditions.

It was noted that the planning application had still not been approved having been subject to some suggested modifications and Phil Moore had reported that there had been no further discussions regarding the lease with the owners of the land.

(d) Annual Parish Meeting

The Government had not approved this type of meeting to be held online and it was agreed to arrange it as soon as the current regulations were relaxed

20/08 Accounts for Payment.

It was resolved to pay the following accounts:

Mr. J. Wilson	Salary (May)		£595.60
Mr. J. Wilson	Expenses (April)		£30.45
Inland Revenue	PAYE (May)	£148.80	
	N.I. (May)	£ 1.71	£150.51
Mr. T. Creber	Litter collection (April)		£340.00
BHIB	Annual Insurance (2020-2021)		£2,012.26
Scottish Power	Electricity supply (31/12/19-31/03/20)		£169.47
SALC	Affiliation Fees		£1,005.80
E.ON	Streetlight repair (o/s The Acorns)		£98.63
Mr. M. Sheehy	Internal Audit (2019-2020)		£350.00

20/09 Financial Statement:

A financial statement was tabled and approved.

20/10(a) Financial Documents 2019-2020

The annual Income and Expenditure Account and a range of supporting documents had been circulated and all were approved and adopted.

20/10(b) Internal Audit Report and the External Audit Report.

Both documents had been sent to Members prior to the meeting and were considered and adopted.

20/11 Exchange of Information.

(a) Shropshire Council:

Shropshire Councillor S. Jones reported that:

(i) He had received requests from residents in Carradine Road for:

(a) Additional street lighting, which Shropshire Council would not be willing to provide.

The Chairman agreed to monitor the situation before any action was decided.

(b) Action to be taken regarding constant dog fouling.

Councillor P. Sharp stated that he had been walking all the paths and did not feel it was an exceptional problem in Carradine Road although it was generally agreed that overall dog fouling was a problem and a reminder should be placed in the Newsletter. It was noted that there are plenty of waste bins throughout the area.

(ii) He was receiving complaints about motor cycle noise, which seemed to indicate that a new site was being developed and that the club might be exceeding the number of times they could use the approved site. He promised to get more details and then discuss possible action with the Clerk.

(b) Police:

The following incidents had been recorded by the police in March:

Anti-Social Behaviour -5 (McKinley Way; Painsbrook Lane; Glebelands; Poynton Road -2)

Violence -6 (Muckleton Lane; Church Close; Glebelands; Poynton Road -3)

Vehicle Crime -1 (Leasowes Park).

Possession of a weapon -1 (Glebelands).

(c) Other Issues:

(a) Councillor Ms. McIntosh had suggested that the High Sheriff should be invited to the next meeting and after due consideration the Clerk was asked to invite her.

(b) Councillor J. Vernon had responded to concerns about a reported sewerage overflow in the stream behind the school. He had inspected the area and there appeared to be no problems with clear water running and evidence of sticklebacks.

(c) Councillor Mrs. Herbert suggested that the Council should consider arranging an event for children when things returned to some form of normality.

It was generally agreed that a community event should be planned at an appropriate time.

(d) The Chairman reported that:

(a) Another playing field fence post had rotted away.

(b) He was planning to remove some unwanted weed growth in the Moat area.

20/12 Reports:(a) SALC Meetings in April and May:

Councillor P. Sharp had provided reports on both meetings and these had been forwarded to Members.

He explained that SALC had written to the Government about the financial problems facing many Town and Parish Councils caused by the current 'lock down'. The Government had made substantial grants to major Councils but the money was being held by Shropshire and Telford Councils and not passed down to the smaller Councils. They were seeking additional Government support for the smaller Councils who were losing income but still facing high expenditure costs.

20/13 Planning.

A. The following applications had been received:

1. Development of land adjacent to 122, Church Street, Shawbury with the erection of three detached dwellings. (20/01193/FUL).

The application had been considered by Members with responses emailed to the Clerk with a unanimous decision to object to the plans.

2. 8, The Meadows, Shawbury – erection of a single storey extension to the rear of the property (20/01708/FUL). *Application was supported.*

B. The following application had been withdrawn:

2. Bridgeway, Shawbury (19/04928/FUL) – erection of a garden shed with porch and storage area.

20/14 Date of Next Meeting:

Tuesday June 9th. 2020

Approved as a true record of the Meeting.

Signed: C.J. Kennedy

(Chairman).

Date; June 11th. 2020

Correspondence received:

Please note the following list does not include all the information received regarding the Coronavirus epidemic or Zoom.

Dianne Dorrell – Newsletter (March 24th).

Liam Heathcote – response fund.

Dianne Dorrell – Newsletter March 30th.

NALC – revised dates for external audit.

Western Power Distributers.

Russ Currie & Jenny Jarvis – Defibrillator checks.

Dianne Dorrell – Parish Online Training.

Police Commissioner – Newsletter.

NALC – CEOs bulletin.

Dianne Dorrell – News bulletin – (May).

Gail Power – VE Day celebrations.

Severn Trent – River Roden Assessment.

Gail Power – Small Grants Programme.

Cllr C. Kirkup – Shawbury F.C. loss of income.

Astley Parish Council – motor cycle noise problem.

Gail Matthews – letter of thanks.

Philip Moore – Football Club application.

Cllr. A. Brown – report of crime incidents.

Cllr J. Vernon – report of sewerage waste leakage into the stream behind the school.

Dianne Dorrell – High Sheriff Introduction.

Shropshire Council Street Works Team – road closure.

Residents – Letter of thanks re. action over a development in Bridgeway.

Cllr S. McIntosh and other Members - possible invitation to the High Sheriff.

Dianne Dorrell – May Bulletin No.2.

John Campion, Police Commissioner – newsletter.

NALC CEO Newsletter.