
**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SHAWBURY PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE
VILLAGE HALL ON TUESDAY 9th. OCTOBER 2018 at 7.00pm.**

Public Session:

There were no members of the public present.

Present:

Mr. A. G. Foster (Chairman)

Mr. J. Kennedy

Mr. B. Lyon

Mrs. J. Manley

Mr. R. Pinches

Mr. D. Roberts

Mrs. J. Herbert

Mr. J. Vernon

Mr. P. Sharp

In Attendance:

The Parish Clerk.

One member of the public – Mr. R. Bailey - for part of the meeting.

18/110 Apologies.

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillors Mr. A. Brown and Ms. S. McIntosh; Shropshire Councillor Mr. S. Jones and Sgt. C. Greenaway.

18/112 Personal or Prejudicial Interests.

There were no interests declared.

18/113 Parish Paths Partnership.

Mr. Bailey outlined the work he had been undertaking in a voluntary role for a number of years, acting as the local representative for Shropshire Council for overseeing the various footpaths and bridleways in the Parish. He had been supported by a small team of volunteers and Shropshire Council made a small grant each year to cover incidental expenses and this was handled by the Clerk. He had reluctantly decided that it was time to hand over the responsibility to a younger person and he would be relinquishing the post at the end of the year.

It was agreed that the Council would take efforts to find a replacement volunteer and on behalf of the Council the Chairman thanked Richard for the excellent work he had carried out in the Parish.

18/114 Minutes of Meeting held on September 18th. 2018.

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

18/115 Matters Arising.

(a) Smartwater (18/95(a))

Clerk reported that Rachael Oakley had suggested the following sessions for arranging the delivery of packs of Smartwater to households who had not already collected one – Thursday October 25th. 4.00 - 6.30pm and Thursday November 1st. 10.00am – 12.30pm. She would try and arrange for helpers to join her and the Clerk would approach the Housing Association for assistance. It was hoped that some Members would join the team.

(b) Car Park Fencing (18/95(b))

The Chairman, Vice Chairman and the Clerk had met with Luke Wilson to assess the repairs needed to the fencing round the car park, where posts were continuing to rot away. Luke pointed out that the new posts being put in would only have a limited life and there would be a need to continue replacing them. He had suggested that a better option would be to erect a metal fence similar to the one round the burial ground.

After consideration Members decided they needed more time to consider this option and in the meantime the Clerk was asked to get an estimate of the cost.

(c) Hazeldine Crescent (18/95(c)).

The Clerk reported that there had been no further response from the residents who had attended the last meeting or from Shropshire Council, trying to confirm the information the Council had been given. He had approached Nobridge to ascertain how much they charged for cutting that area of grass and it was decided to take no action until that was known.

(d) Streetlight (18/95(g)).

The Clerk stated that he had written to the resident concerned, outlining the conditions the Council needed to have confirmed prior to any action being taken to move the streetlight on his property. To date there had been no response from the resident.

(e) Firework Event (18/105):

Clerk stated that he had written to Mrs. Tracie Howells, pointing out that Members appreciated the Football Club's desire to arrange a firework display but from past experience felt that there was insufficient time to make all the necessary arrangements to hold an event this year. Some Members were keen to work with representatives of the Club to investigate the possibility of running an event in 2019 but so far there had been no further response from the Club.

(f) SOC Lighting:

Clerk reminded Members that they had been informed that there was a need to change all the SOC lighting units to LED ones by the end of 2019. Discussions held with Garry Johnson at EON indicated that the current price they are charging is £200 per light (+VAT). However, if it was decided to replace all the existing lights at the same time, a discount of 15% would be offered and the overall cost would be £7,140.00 (+ VAT) with the VAT reclaimable at the end of the financial year.

Councillor P. Sharp questioned the need for this action and stated that SALC were not aware that this was a requirement. He felt that the regulation applied to new lights or the replacement of failed lights. It was agreed to seek confirmation of the Government Order before taking any action.

18/116 Correspondence.

Details of the correspondence received since the last meeting had been forwarded to Members and these were considered and where necessary appropriate responses were noted or made.

18/117 Accounts for Payment.

It was resolved to pay the following accounts:

Mr. J. Wilson	Salary (October)		£572.76
Mr. J. Wilson	Expenses (September)		£49.91
Inland Revenue	PAYE (October)	£143.20	
	N.I. (October)	£1.95	£145.35
Mr. R. Bailey	Maintenance (September)		£250.00
Mr. T. Creber	Litter collection (September)		£330.00
Mr. L. Wilson	Play Area grass cutting etc. (September)		£167.00
Mr. A. Brown	Materials for grave yard project		£17.99
PFK Littlejohn	External audit		£360.00
Mr. A. Brown	Materials for grave yard project		£12.00
Nobridge Ltd	Ground maintenance		£1,358.36

18/118 Financial Statement.

A financial statement was tabled and approved.

18/119 External Auditor's Report.

Members considered and adopted the report from the external auditor, which had not raised any concerns regarding the management of the Council and its accounts.

18/120 Exchange of Information:(a) Agenda Items for next meeting:

Additional project items for inclusion in next year's budget.

(b) The following items of concern were recorded:(i) Highways:

No issues raised.

(ii) Street Lighting:

No issues raised.

(iii) Other:

No issues raised.

18/121 Reports from:**(a) Police:**

Incidents recorded in August:

Harcourt Close – Violence 2 (One under investigation; one unable to prosecute).

Muckleton Road – Burglary 1 (No suspect identified).

Poynton Road - Anti Social Behaviour 1; Violence 1 (Unable to prosecute).

Beech Grove – Anti Social Behaviour -1

Near A53 – Anti Social Behaviour 2; Criminal damage 1 (No suspect identified).

Church Close – Criminal damage 1 (Unable to prosecute).

Near parking area – Burglary 1 (Under investigation).

(b) RAF Shawbury.

No report tabled.

(c) Shropshire Council.

No report tabled.

18/122 Section 106 Projects.

The Clerk reported that in spite of repeated requests the outstanding money had not been transferred into the Council's account and as such it was impossible to proceed with any of the planned projects.

Projects:(a) School Crossing:

A response from Shropshire Councillor S. Jones indicated that Shropshire Council had not carried out a detailed assessment of the work and the cost involved.

(b) Street Lights:

Discussions were on-going between Shropshire Council Street Lighting Officer, Councillor A. Brown and the Clerk.

(c) CCTV Camera:

Councillor P. Sharp stated that placing the camera on the suggested alternative site would incur considerably more expenditure with a need to provide power to the site.

18/123 Planning:The following application had been received and was considered:

Edgebolton Farm. Edgebolton – erection of a steel portal frame building (18/04063/FUL). A no comment response was made.

The following application had been approved by Shropshire Council:

Wytheford Grange – rendering of external walls of a Grade II listed building.

8/124 Committee and Other Reports.SALC Executive Committee:

Councillor P. Sharp reported that the Committee had considered the following:

1. Difficulties experienced in the Telford area in finding volunteers to assist with the various charitable organisations.

2. The Improvements in Highways Maintenance since the appointment of Kier as the official contractors for Shropshire Council.
3. Issues related to the future use of CIL money, which has since been deferred to a later date.

18/125 Road Name Plates:

The Chairman reminded Members that he had raised this issue at a previous meeting as he had noted that many of the name plates were in a very poor condition and it seemed unlikely that Shropshire Council would take any action. He had approached the Highways Department to see what the implications would be if the Parish Council carried out the work and once that was resolved it would be possible to work out the overall cost of doing the work.

18/126 Press Matters.

Clerk to compile a detailed report.

18/127 Date and time of next meeting.

The next meeting will be on November 13th. 2018 at 7.00pm in Shawbury Village Hall.

Approved as a true record of the Meeting.

Signed: A. G. Foster (Chairman) Date: 13th. November 2018

Correspondence received since last meeting – September.

Daniel Hazell – burial ground soil in the Glebe area.

Madge Shingleton – DAAT newsletter.*

Nikki Cheek – Local Transport Policy consultation.*

John Martin – letter of thanks.*

EM North East – warning road signs .

Jason Hughes Mytton Estate streetlight

Cllr. R. Macey – CIL.*

Dianne Dorrell – Newsletter September 24th.*

Dianne Dorrell – G.P. services.*

Martin Mee – Play Area inspections