

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 14th November 2022 at 7.30pm at Hadnall Village Hall

22/080 REGISTER OF ATTENDANCE and APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Present: Cllrs John Harrison (Chairman), Barry Bell, Harmesh Jassel, Andrew Marston, Sarah Parker. Cllr Andy Brisbourne arrived at 8pm, after attending the RAF Shawbury Noise Liaison Meeting on behalf of HPC.

Apologies: Cllr Nigel Clifford (accepted), Cllr Neil Duxbury (accepted).

Minutes: JH took minutes, in the absence of the Clerk.

Also: 7 members of the public.

22/081 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

A resident living on Wedgefields noted that minutes from a previous PC meeting stated that the PC had consulted with most residents living on Wedgefields about the issue of adoption of the land and future maintenance. He stated that he had spoken to several residents and he and they had had no communication or consultation over the matter. He felt that the statement in previous meetings was inaccurate. This was noted by councillors present.

The PC was asked what progress had been made in identifying ownership and a decision on future maintenance. A discussion was had on actions and progress on this matter to date and that a decision would come onto a future agenda.

The issue with large quantities of leaves falling and gathering on the land in question was raised by a Wedgefields resident. He informed the meeting that he and his wife currently gathered and cleared these up. The PC thanked them for their efforts with this matter.

Another resident from Wedgefields stated that he had done some research in the County archives of documents relating to 1984 and 1985 which he believed indicated that a decision on future maintenance of the land in question had been established at that time. An envelope containing this new information and a letter to the PC was presented to the Chair. The resident was thanked by the Chair for his endeavours in

this regard and asked for time to circulate to council members and consider the contents.

The state of the two Bus Shelters in the village was brought to the attention of the PC. Both needed cleaning. The chair agreed and said the PC would investigate responsibilities in this regard. A maintenance report prepared in 2019, which included this suggestion, would be forwarded to the Clerk for circulation to all councillors.

Another resident pointed out that the speed camera at the south side of the village did not operate until drivers were very close. The PC would investigate if this was a line-of-sight issue caused by foliage from hedges in the area.

A light on Chapel Road was reported as not working. BB to investigate and if required AU to report on SC 'fixmystreet'.

22/082 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – None.

22/083 MINUTES

It was agreed that the Chairman should sign the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 26th September 2022 as a true and correct record.

22/084 PROGRESS REPORT

- a) **Installation of vehicle-activated speed sign** (40 mph area)
SJP gave a verbal update. Post has been installed but in wrong place. SJP to continue to liaise with Shropshire Council Highways.

- b) **Jubilee tree planting and time capsules**
Verbal report from JH: All preparations in place, looking forward to a successful event.

- c) **Grounds maintenance 2023**
Verbal report AM: Contractors to be asked for 2023 price. Councillors agreed that they were happy with the work from the new contractors and would seek to establish terms for an extended period.

- d) **RoSPA inspection**
No report received to date. Clerk to chase.

- e) **SC Local Plan**
BB updated the meeting on the local Plan and stated that an adoption date was still not clear.

- f) **Haston Road surface repairs**
Scheduled for April – August 2023.

22/085 OTHER REPORTS

- a) **RAF Shawbury** - AB updated meeting on RAF liaison meeting that took place earlier that evening. RAF Shawbury had received some 130 complaints this year which is down on last year. Some complaints had been received from the towing Plane for Gliders. A discussion took place and concluded that no issues had been reported in the Hadnall area
- b) There were no other reports.

22/086 MEETING DATES 2023 – It was agreed to reschedule the annual meeting from Monday 8th to Monday 15th May (due to extra Bank Holiday).

22/087 POLICY AND LEGAL MATTERS

- a) Council voted to **adopt the following policies:**
- Complaints Procedure
 - Data Protection Policy
 - Digital Communication Policy
 - Dignity at Work, Bullying and Harassment policy
 - Equality and Diversity Policy
 - Freedom of Information
 - Grant Awarding Policy
 - Grievance and Discipline Policy
 - Vexatious Complaints Policy
- b) Council voted to **cancel** any previous policies superseded by the above.
- c) Council voted to **cancel** the addendum to Standing Orders (SOadd080620/onlinemeetings), adopted June 2020.
- d) It was noted that the **External Audit (AGAR)** for 2021-22 is now complete, with no matters requiring attention. The chair thanked the Clerk in her absence for her diligence in this regard.

22/088 CIVILITY AND RESPECT

Council voted to sign the Civility and Respect Pledge (NALC/SLCC).

By signing the Pledge, Council agreed that councillors, clerks, members of the public, and representatives of partner organisations and volunteers will be treated with civility and respect in their roles and that it:

- Has put in place a training programme for councillors and staff.
- Has signed up to the Code of Conduct for councillors.
- Has good governance arrangements in place including staff contracts and a dignity at work policy.
- Will seek professional help at the early stages should civility and respect issues arise.
- Will commit to calling out bullying and harassment if and when it happens.
- Will continue to learn from best practices in the sector and aspire to be a role model/champion council.
- Supports the continued lobbying for change in legislation to support the Civility and Respect Pledge including sanctions for elected members where appropriate.

22/089 PLANNING

- a) Council noted the following planning applications:
- 22/03828/EIA Painsbrook Farm* Construction of two free range poultry houses with feed bins and ancillary equipment. HPC supports, as per 21/05985/FUL and 21/03061/FUL.
- 22/05501/CPL 31 Blacksmiths Views* Application for Lawful Development Certificate for the proposed single storey rear extension. For information only – not a formal consultation.
- b) No further **planning applications** were received in advance of this meeting.
- c) No further **planning decisions** were published by Shropshire Council in advance of this meeting.

22/090 FINANCE

- a) Council noted the following **payments** made in October 2022:

Amount	Details	Power to spend
18.00	Bank charges	LGA 1972 s111
278.40	Clerk's salary (Sept)	LGA 1972 s112
374.81	Electricity for street lighting (Jul-Sept)	Parish Councils Act 1957, s.3; Highways Act 1980, s.301
35.00	Data Protection Fee (ICO)	Data Protection Act 2018

Council agreed to make the following **payments**:

Amount	Details	Power to spend
497.15	Clerk's salary & expenses	LGA 1972 s112 LGA (financial provisions) 1963 s5.
175.20	PAYE (months 6 and 7)	LGA 1972 s112
36.51	Church floodlighting (Jul-Sept))	Parish Councils Act 1957, s.3; Highways Act 1980, s.301
550.00	Grounds maintenance 4th quarter	Open Spaces Act 1906, ss.9 and 10
933.00	Jubilee trees, stakes etc.	Open Spaces Act 1906, ss.9 and 10
140.40	Room hire (Apr-Sept)	LGA 1972, s134 (1-3)
360.00	External audit fee	Audit and Accounts Regulation 2015

- b) Council received and approved the **accounts** and **bank reconciliation** to date.
- c) Council noted the NJC/ALC salary increase, to be backdated to 1st April 2022.

22/091 CORRESPONDENCE

Rural Services Network – Free broadband available for village halls.

Shropshire Council – Tenancy Strategy and Tenancy Policy – consultation.

Shropshire Council – Cost of living support pages on website. Have share on FB and will link on our website.

Highways – We were not kept informed on the situation with the emergency closure of the A49. Clerk has contacted the new Highways liaison officer in the hope that communication will be improved if ever something like this happens again.

22/079 PARISH MATTERS – None.

The meeting closed at 8.40pm. Chair thanked everyone for their attendance.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Next meeting – Monday 9th January 2023

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