

SHAWBURY PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL
ON TUESDAY APRIL 11TH. 2023 at 7.00pm.

Public Session:

There were no members of the public in attendance.

Present:

Mr. B. Lyon (Chairman).

Mr. M. Roberts.

Mrs. J. Herbert.

Mr. K. Pickering.

Mr. A. Foster.

Mr. P. Sharp.

Mr. C. Kirkup.

Mr. C. Forshaw

In Attendance:

Shropshire Councillor S. Jones.

The Parish Clerk.

23/01 Apologies:

Apologies were received from Councillors Ms. S. McIntosh; Mr. R. Pinches and Mr. A. Brown and W/O M. Lingham (RAF Shawbury).

23/02 Disclosure of Personal or Prejudicial Interests.

No interests were declared.

23/03 Minutes of Meeting held on March 14th. 2023.

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

23/04 Matters Arising.

(a) Highways:

Clerk reported that there had been no further response from Shropshire Council but Helen Morgan had been in contact, stating that on a recent visit to the Parish local people had raised similar concerns to those outlined in my letter to her. She would like to arrange a public meeting to discuss the issues but was unable to attend the Annual Parish Meeting. She had offered to come to a meeting on Friday May 26th. but as this was the start of the Bank Holiday week Members felt that it would not be well supported.

Clerk to contact Helen to try and arrange an alternative date.

It was noted that some work had been carried out on the roundabout.

b) Street Lights:

The Clerk reported that Highline Electrical had signed the new contract for overseeing the Council's lights from May 1st. and E.ON had been notified that the Council would not be renewing its contract with them. Following discussions with Garry Johnson it had been confirmed that work on four of the lights in Millbrook had been completed and it was agreed to pay the invoice for that work.

It was also agreed that the Clerk should ask Highline to quote for undertaking the work which had been started by Eon in Bridgeway and the remaining two lights in Millbrook.

(c) Car Park Lining

It was noted that the work had been completed successfully.

(d) Rent Review

Members approved the new rates for the Playing Field; The Glebe and the Car Park, which had been suggested by Balfours on behalf of the Diocese.

(e) Annual Parish Meeting

The Clerk confirmed that Group Captain Andy Baron had agreed to attend and present the Community Service awards.

(f) Community Service Awards.

Two more nominations had been received and one was approved but it was felt that the second one did not match the required criteria, as it did not relate to the Parish. It was agreed that the Clerk should send a letter congratulating the person on his success.

Members also approved a group award for the Staff and Residents of River Meadows Nursing Home for their overall care and the splendid display of knitwear displayed in the Parish.

23/05 Correspondence.

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

It was agreed that the Clerk should contact Shropshire Homes and suggest that they arrange a public meeting to discuss proposals for possible housing development in the Parish and confirm that Members of the Council would be in attendance.

23/06 Accounts for Payment and Financial Statement.(a) Payment of the following accounts was approved:

Mr. J. Wilson	Salary (April)	£669.02
Mr. J. Wilson	Expenses (March)	£73.43
Mr. R. Bailey	Planting Floral Gateways	£126.85
Inland Revenue	PAYE + N.I (April)	£177.99
Mr. M. Varndell	Collection & disposal of litter (March)	£450.00
Printer Base	Ink Cartridges	£64.40
Balfours (Glebe)	Car Park, Playing Field & Glebe rent	£1,550.00
D.M. Payroll Services	Administration of payroll 2023-2024	£120.00
E.ON	Up-grade of lights in Millbrook	£4,989.64

(b) The financial statement for April was tabled and approved

23/07 Exchange of Information.(a) Additional Agenda items for the next meeting:

No additional items raised.

(b) Issues Needing Urgent Attention:(i) Highways:

No issues raised

(ii) Streetlights:

No issues raised.

(iii) Other Reports.Glebe Drainage Ditches:

Councillor Mrs. Herbert raised concerns about rubbish being deposited in the drainage ditch in the Glebe and queried what action could be taken. Councillor P. Sharp reminded Members that these ditches had been cleared last year and residents living adjacent to the area had been written to, asking them to refrain from depositing their waste in the ditch. It appeared that one resident was not prepared to stop doing this.

Community Fun Day:

Members fully supported the plan by the Football Club to re-instate the Annual Fun Day on the Playing Field, planned for Saturday 29th. July. It was unanimously agreed to make a grant of £500.00 to the organisers of the event.

23/08 Reports from:**(a) Police:****Crime report for February:**

Vehicle Crime -1 (A53 near shops).

Violence – 5 (Leasowes Park – 4; Park Avenue -1).

(b) RAF Shawbury:

No report tabled but the Chairman confirmed that RAF Shawbury would be open on Coronation Day as helicopters from the base would be involved in the celebrations.

(c) Shropshire Council:

No report tabled.

23/09 Planning Applications:

The following application had been refused:

Pool Cottage, Butlers Bank – Two storey extension and garage extensions (23/00537/FUL).

23/10 Committee and Other Reports.

Councillor M. Roberts stated that the next meeting of the SALC Area Committee would be taking place on 17th. April and the guest speakers would be Helen Morgan MP and the Police Commissioner

23/11 Press Matters.

Clerk to produce a report which would include details of the Annual Parish Meeting; The Planned Fun Day and the appointment of the new Street Light Contractor.

23/12 Date of Next Council Meeting (The AGM):

Tuesday May 9th. 2023 at 7.00pm in Shawbury Village Hall.

Approved as a true record of the Meeting.

Signed: B. Lyon (Chairman)

Date: May 9th. 2023

Details of correspondence received since the March meeting.

Richard Bailey - Summer planting of Floral Gateways.

Access2Trees – promise to provide two quotes.

Shropshire Council works team – Closure of Hazels Road for Severn Trent work.

John Campion – PCC Newsletter.

David Richards – Use of playing field for football presentations June 10th.

Cllr. P. Sharp – contact with Shropshire Radio.

PKF Littlejohn – Audit Documents.

Dianne Dorrell – Newsletter.

Highline Electrical – agreed contract.

Cllr. P. Sharp – Play Area inspection reports.

NALC – CEO's Bulletin.

Tracie Howells – River Meadows Knitting Display.

Tracie Howells – Fun Day

Royal Names Mailbox – still awaiting decision re naming items.

David Richards – Nomination for a Community Award.

PCSO S. Robinson – Police Community Charter.

Police Fraud advice.

Richard Bailey – Floral Gateways.

Brian Rapson- Health Watch report.

Dianne Dorrell CIL Up-date.

Helen Morgan – response to letter.

Amy Miles – PCC wishing to attend meetings.
Dianne Dorrell – Latest news from SALC.
Dianne Dorrell – Consultation on Infrastructure Levy.
NALC – CEO’s Bulletin.
Andrew Sheldon (Shropshire Homes) – seeking invite to meet with Councillors.
OPCC – Possible Newsletter to residents.
Cllr. A. Brown – Crime figures for February.
Liam Heathcote – Attendance at Annual Parish Meeting.
Alex Wagner – Meeting with Helen Morgan MP
Jon Ellis – Line Marking.
Gail Power – UK Shared Prosperity Fund.
Planning Department – Enforcement Case.