

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SHAWBURY PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE
VILLAGE HALL ON TUESDAY 9th. JULY 2019 at 7.00pm.**

Public Session

There were no members of the public present but the Chairman welcomed PCSO E. Walmsley and PCSO M. Davies to the meeting, who outlined work they were undertaking highlighting some minor problems in the Glebelands and Church Close areas.

They stated that speed enforcement teams had been operating in the Parish but had not identified any major problems and felt that many concerns were due to a conception of speed, particularly with large vehicles. They stated that Shawbury was still a low crime area.

They confirmed that the mobile police station would be on the car park on July 16th. between 9.30am and 1.30pm. Members pointed out that it would be helpful for the public to get advance notice of this and that in future visits should be published in the Parish Newsletter well before the date of the event.

The Chairman thanked them for attending.

Present:

Mr. A. G. Foster (Chairman)

Mr. J. Kennedy

Mrs. J. Herbert

Mr. B. Lyon

Mr. R. Pinches

Mr. D. Roberts

Mr. P. Sharp

Ms. S. McIntosh

Mr. A. Brown

In Attendance:

The Parish Clerk.

Shropshire Councillor S. Jones

Flt. Lt. M. McArdle (RAF Shawbury).

19/52 Apologies:

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillors Mrs. J. Manley and Mr. C. Kirkup.

19/53 Personal or Prejudicial Interests.

There were no interests declared.

19/54 Minutes of Meeting held on June 11th. 2019.

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

19/55 Matters Arising.

(a) Road Sign repairs (19/36(a)).

Chairman reported that a start had been made on repairing and painting the signs and some had been removed to be dealt with off site.

(b) Church Close (19/36(b)).

Clerk reported that this had been discussed with Garry Johnson from EON, who had promised to raise it with Scottish Power but felt that as it was cabling to a streetlight, the right of access to the property would be with whoever installed the light.

(c) VAS Signals (19/36(c)).

Clerk reported that following consultation with Mr. David Gradwell (Shropshire Council) and Mr. Garry Johnson (EON) quotations had been obtained for units to be placed at five locations in the Parish, where frequent concerns had been raised about speeding traffic.

Councillor Ms. S. McIntosh pointed out that at the last meeting it had been agreed to consider three units and therefore further discussion was needed regarding any additional signs. The Clerk stated that

no commitment had been made but it had been felt that it was prudent to get advice about additional sites.

Councillor P. Sharp proposed that initially a decision should be made on the three locations agreed at the last meeting and that the Council should go ahead and accept the quotation for erecting a 20mph mains powered signal at the junction of Poynton Road and Chantry Close; a 40mph solar powered signal on the A53 close to the Nursery and a 30mph mains powered signal on the A53 entering the village opposite River Gardens. The proposal was seconded and then approved by eight votes to one.

The additional sites were then considered and it was proposed and seconded that an additional 40mph mains powered signal should be placed on the A53 approaching the junction with Mytton Estate from the Market Drayton direction. This proposal was approved by eight votes to one. It was decided not to proceed with erecting a signal on Wytheford Road.

(d) Replacement streetlights (19/45)

A site meeting had been held with Garry Johnson from EON and he had subsequently forwarded a quote of £9,256.50 (+VAT) to replace five concrete lights on Poynton Road; three in Hazeldine Crescent and one in Beech Grove. Following the decision made at the last meeting the Chairman and Vice-Chairman had agreed the quote, with finance coming from the Poynton Road grant and the budget for replacement lights.

The acceptance of the quotations was accepted by eight votes to one.

(e) Speed restriction notices on waste bins (19/36(e)).

Members accepted Councillor P. Sharp's offer to order a number of notices and deliver them to relevant properties with an accompanying explanatory letter.

(f) Unresolved Highways Issues (19/36(d)).

Clerk reported that following the re-organisation of Shropshire Council's Highways Department, Shawbury had been placed in the Central division and the responsible officer would be Mr. Ian Walshaw. Details of the unresolved issues had been passed to him for consideration.

(g) A53 Roundabout and Church Street (19/43(i)).

Concerns raised regarding both these issues had been sent to Mr. Steve Brown (Shropshire Council's Highways, Transport and Environment Manager), who had promised to carry out a full review of the problems.

(h) Burial Ground:

The Vice Chairman reported that he had completed the construction of the new cremation internment area and he was thanked for the excellent work he had carried out.

19/56 Correspondence.

Members considered the correspondence which had been received by the Clerk since the last meeting and where necessary responses were made.

19/57 Accounts for Payment.

It was resolved to pay the following accounts:

Mr. J. Wilson	Salary (July)		£595.60
Mr. J. Wilson	Expenses (June)		£81.54
Inland Revenue	PAYE (July)	£148.80	
	N.I. (July)	£ 3.50	£152.30
Mr. R. Bailey	Maintenance (June)		£250.00
Mr. T. Creber	Litter collection (June)		£330.00
Mr. J. Kennedy	Gravel for burial ground and bin bags		£59.70
Safelincs	Defibrillator battery etc.		£73.80
Ray Parry Playgrounds	Play area - replacement unit		£820.00
Mr. M. Sheehy	Internal Audit		£340.00

19/58 Financial Statement:

A financial statement was tabled and approved.

19/59 Exchange of Information.(a) Agenda Items for next meeting:

No new items raised.

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

Continued and general concern about the state of the drainage system close to the traffic lights where the road surface was subsiding and unless remedial action was taken damage was likely to occur to adjacent residential properties.

(ii) Street Lighting:

No issues raised.

(iii) Oher:

1. Concern raised about water running onto the A53 close to its junction with River Gardens. It was noted that this had been reported to Severn Trent and staff had carried out some remedial work but this had not resolved the problem.

Shropshire Councillor S. Jones's offer to discuss this with Severn Trent and the Highways Department was accepted with thanks.

2. Clerk was asked to arrange the village entry flower displays sponsorship deals for a further year.

3. Mr. M. Sheehy was re-appointed as the Internal Auditor.

19/60 Reports from:**(a) Police:**

Incidents recorded by the police in May:

Anti-Social Behaviour 7:

Erdington Close; Willow Place; White Lodge Park; Millbrook Drive; A53; Glebelands (2)

Violence: 5:

Muckleton Lane (Awaiting Court outcome); Mytton Lane (2) (Under Investigation); Poynton Road (Under investigation); Hazeldine Crescent (Under investigation).

Criminal Damage 2:

Oak Drive (under investigation); Coppice Close (no suspect identified).

Theft 1:

Carradine Close (Unable to prosecute).

(b) RAF Shawbury:

Clerk circulated a letter received from the Commanding Officer in response to the concerns raised about the construction of a new Youth Activity Centre.

Flt. Lt. M. McArdle:

Gave an up-date on various activities planned for the next two months – details of which had been circulated earlier in the year. The track event was planned for August 10th. together with a Motor Cycle Activity Day in conjunction with the local police.

Building work was continuing.

(c) Shropshire Council:Shropshire Councillor S. Jones:

(a) Confirmed details of the changes to the organisation of the Highways work in the County, however, Mr. David Gradwell was still having to cover the whole County as Shropshire Council had been unable to recruit additional staff.

(b) Reported that Open Reach had responded quickly when accidental damage had been caused to equipment in Church Street.

(c) Stated that he would try and get action taken over the problem with the drains by the traffic lights.

18/61 Poynton Road Housing Development Grant:Projects:(a) School Crossing:

Shropshire Councillor S. Jones stated that he was still chasing staff at Shirehall to get this completed and had emailed a strong complaint about the situation.

(b) Streetlights and VAS:

Clerk reported financing these two projects would use all the grant with the exception of the £10,000 being held in reserve for a possible junior football pitch.

9/62 Planning:

It was noted that an appeal had been made against Shropshire Council's decision to insist on the removal of a surfaced access track on land adjacent to Bridgeway.

19/63 Committee and Other Reports.North Shropshire Area Committee of SALC

Councillor P. Sharp reported on a meeting held in Wem on June 17th. when Mr. M. Docherty, Director of Clinical Commissioning and Strategic Development gave an excellent presentation on the West Midlands Ambulance Service.

This was followed by an up-date on SALC activities from Dianne Dorrell the County Secretary.

Mr. Whittle had been re-elected as Chairman and Mr. Aldcroft as Vice Chairman. Together with Mr. Goulborne he had been re-appointed as an Area Committee Representative.

The next meeting would be held on November 18th.

Shawbury Medical Practice – Patients Participation Meeting.

Councillor A. Brown reported that he had attended a recent meeting and would forward a report to the Clerk for circulation.

19/64 Press Matters.

Details of streetlight replacements and new VAS units.

19/65 Date and time of next meeting.

The next meeting will be on August 13th. 2019 at 7.00pm in Shawbury Village Hall.

Approved as a true record of the Meeting.

Signed: A. Foster (Chairman) **Date:** August 13th.2019

Correspondence received since the June meeting:

Dianne Dorrell – Shropshire Care Closer to Home.

Dianne Dorrell – Highways and Transport Briefing note.

Gail Power – New Web Accessibility Guidelines.

Mike Jeffrey – Skate Boarding on August 4th.

John Campion – police newsletter.

Fiona Howe – review of polling district and places.

Simon Jones – planning concern.

Shropshire Council - Local Plan review.

Resident – speeding traffic.

D. Wise – SALC North Area Committee

Dianne Dorrell – letter from Gemma Davies re. CIL