

**DRAFT MINUTES OF THE SHAWBURY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN  
SHAWBURY VILLAGE HALL ON NOVEMBER 9<sup>TH</sup>. 2021 at 7.00pm.**

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**Public Session:**

There were no members of the public present but the Chairman welcomed Community Support Officer Jamie Robinson who gave a brief report. He stated that the team at Wem is currently reduced to two officers – himself and P.C. Heathcote and they were doing their utmost to maintain a service over the whole area. He was aware of the continued problems and concerns related to speeding traffic in the Parish but there appeared to be no other major current issues but he would welcome comments.

Councillor P. Sharp stated that there appeared to be evidence of an increase in the use of drugs at locations on the playing field and Jamie promised to try and arrange some patrols of the area.

The Council Chairman asked him to investigate the possibility of the Parish setting up a Community Speed Watch Programme and he promised to forward details to the Clerk.

The Vice Chairman felt that action needed to be taken against drivers who constantly failed to observe red traffic lights at the cross roads and the pedestrian crossing by the shops.

The Chairman thanked Jamie for attending the meeting.

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**Present:**

Mr. C. Kennedy (Chairman)

Mr. B. Lyon.

Mr. R. Pinches

Mr. A. Foster

Mr. K. Pickering

Mr. P. Sharp

Mr. J. Vernon

Mr. C. Kirkup

Mr. M. Roberts

Mr. A. Brown.

Mrs. J. Herbert

**In Attendance:**

Shropshire Councillor S. Jones.

Lt. M. Peters (RAF Shawbury).

The Parish Clerk.

**21/112 Apologies:**

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor Ms. S. McIntosh.

**21/113 Disclosure of Personal or Prejudicial Interests.**

No interests were declared.

**21/114 Minutes of Meeting held on October 12<sup>th</sup>. 2021.**

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

**21/115 Matters Arising.**

**(a) Allotment – purchase of land (21/102(a)).**

It was noted that the solicitor representing the Housing Association had advised the Council's solicitor that a full contract package would be delivered in early November.

**(b) Carradine Lane streetlights (21/102(b)).**

Mr. Garry Johnson from Eon had sent a full apology for having to notify the Council that an inability to obtain necessary parts meant there would be a delay in carrying out any work in the near future.

(c) Replacement of playing field perimeter posts (21/109).

Councillor Mr. P. Sharp stated that he had carried out a review of the posts around the Playing Field and currently eleven posts were missing, creating gaps which could allow vehicular access. Many other posts were rotting away and he felt it was essential that the Council made a decision to either replace posts as they were removed or to seek a quotation for replacing all the posts.

After discussion and consideration, it was decided that it was necessary to replace all the posts but to consider what type of posts should be used. In the meantime, £1,000 would be made available to enable similar posts as those already in place to be installed at sites where there was a possibility of vehicles gaining access to the field.

(d) Pavement Clearance (21/105(bi))

The Clerk reported that he had received a response from Victoria Doran (Shropshire Council's Highways Officer) indicating that it was unlikely that the Council's contractors would be able to do the work and suggested that the Parish should undertake the clearance by using part of the Community Environment Project grant.

It was agreed to accept this proposal and to make an immediate start on priority paths.

(e) Bridgeway and Millbrook – streetlight replacement (21/105{ii}).

A further delay in completing the project had now been caused by E.ON being unable to resource the required units.

**21/116 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.

**21/117 Accounts for Payment and Financial Statement.**(a) It was resolved to pay the following accounts:

Mr. J. Wilson	Salary (November)	£611.81
Mr. J. Wilson	Expenses (October)	£49.11
Inland Revenue	PAYE/N.I. (November)	£156.61
Mr. T. Creber	Litter collection (October)	£340.00
Mr. M. Varndell	Litter Collection (Moat/Glebe/ Oct.)	£193.00
Scottish Power	Electricity charges (30/06 –30/09)	£847.81
Mr. A. P. Sharp	Expenses (Moat & Parish Paths)	£48.87
Mr. D. Wood	Housing defibrillator for 12 months	£25.00

(b) The financial statement for November was tabled and approved.**21/118 Exchange of Information.**(a) Agenda Items for next meeting:

Replacement of playing field fence posts.

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(b) Other Issues:i. Highways:

(a) It was reported that the VAS signal by the bridge on the A53 was still not working.

*Clerk to report and ask for urgent action.*

ii. Streetlights:

No reports tabled.

iii. Other Reports:(a) Sports Ground Development:

Councillor C. Kirkup gave an up-date on a meeting between representatives of the Sports and Recreation Steering Committee and Mr. & Mrs. Cook, Mr. Verdino and Mr Thorns. The Steering Committee were awaiting a formal response to the concerns that had been discussed.

**(b) Allotment Hedge:**

It was reported that the height of the hedge needed cutting back and Councillor Mr. R. Pinches offered to do the work.

**(c) Local Services:**

Concerns were expressed over the numerous public complaints about the current postal service and the delay in getting prescriptions from Shawbury Medical Practice.

**(d) Lord Lieutenant's Garden Party:**

The Parish had been asked to nominate two people who had been very involved in giving support during the Coronavirus crisis to attend the event. It was decided to seek nominations from residents.

**(e) Children's Play Area**

Councillor Mr. P Sharp stated that the new spinner in the children's play area had been installed by Ray Parry Playgrounds Ltd.

**21/119 Reports from:****(a) Police:**

The following incidents were recorded in September:

Violence – 9 (Hazeldine Crescent – 2; McKinley Way – 1; White Lodge Park – 1; Glebelands – 1; Muckleton (open space) – 4.

Burglary – 1 (Wytheford Road).

Other theft -1 (Wytheford Road)

Public Order -1 (Church Close).

**(b) RAF Shawbury:**

Lt. M. Peters reported that Night Flying would commence on November 15<sup>th</sup>. and continue until the Christmas break and that representatives from RAF Shawbury would be taking part in the Armistice Day Parade in Shrewsbury.

**(c) Shropshire Council:**

Shropshire Councillor S. Jones stated that Shropshire Council were:

1. Aware of an outbreak of Avian Flu in parts of Wales with movement restrictions covering parts of North Shropshire. All residents were being advised not to handle any dead birds they found but to notify RSPB who would arrange collection and disposal.
2. Urging everyone to get the relevant injections for protection against coronavirus.

**21/120 Planning Applications:**

A. The following application had been received:

1. Shrewsbury Road –proposed erection of a 17metre high ground based Phase 8 steel pole plus associated apparatus (21/04800/TEL). *No objections raised.*

B. The following applications had been approved:

1. 4, The Meadows – erection of rear and side extensions – (21/04304/FUL).
2. 13, Aries Drive, Shawbury – single storey rear extension (21/04255/FUL).
- 15, Mytton Lane, Shawbury – single storey extension (21/01881/FUL).

**21/121 Committee and Other Reports.**

North Shropshire Area Committee:

Councillor Mr. P Sharp had already circulated a report to Members outlining details of the meeting which had included a report from the Community Ambulance Service pointing out the problems faced by increased demand and difficulties in delivering patients into hospitals. A second report from Mr. Eddie West had given an up-date on Shropshire Council's housing plans for the next fifteen years.

**21/122 Car Park – white lining.**

After considering various options it was decided to carry out a self-help project to repaint the lines using appropriate paint which the Chairman would obtain.

**21/123 Budget 2022-2023.**

It was noted that the Clerk would be meeting with the Chairman and Vice Chairman to prepare for consideration a draft budget for 2022 – 2023.

**21/124 Press Matters.**

Clerk to produce a brief report.

**21/125 Date of Next Council Meeting:**

Tuesday, December 14<sup>th</sup>. at 7.00pm.

**Approved as a true record of the Meeting.**

**Signed:** \_\_\_\_\_ **(Chairman)**      **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED SINCE OCTOBER MEETING:**

Dave Richards – letter to Nigel Thorns.  
 Victoria Doran – Local pavements.  
 Dianne Dorrell – News in Brief.  
 Dianne Dorrell – Tree Scheme contacts.  
 Tim Lever – Safer Neighbourhood Team Sergeant.  
 Dianne Dorrell – Death of Sir David Amess.  
 Kim Leach – Battle of Taranto Commemoration.  
 Cllr P. Sharp – report from N.S. Area Committee.  
 Shropshire Council – Latest coronavirus news.  
 NALC – CEO’s Newsletter.  
 Jamie Robinson – Halloween.  
 Police Commissioner – News Up-date.  
 Gail Power – Climate/Energy letters.  
 Nicole Beddall – Allotment.  
 NALC- CEO’S Bulletin.  
 Dianne Dorrell – Examination of Shropshire Council’s Local Plan.  
 Dianne Dorrell News in Brief.  
 Kim Leach – Maintenance Work on the Base.  
 Shropshire Council – Latest coronavirus news.  
 Dianne Dorrell – Examination of Shropshire Local Plan.  
 Dianne Dorrell – News in Brief.  
 Russ Currie – request for new defibrillator operatives.  
 Gail Power – Winter Support Services.  
 Dianne Dorrell – Shropshire Garden Party.  
 Church Close resident – query regarding frontage.  
 Dianne Dorrell - News in Brief.  
 Gary Johnson (Eon) – street light replacement problems.  
 Austin Vaughan – monthly inspections.  
 Andrew Higson – Parish Sleigh.  
 Cllr S. McIntosh – suggestion re. above.  
 Shropshire Council – Latest Coronavirus News.  
 NALC CEO – Newsletter.  
 Russ Currie – request for new defibrillator pads.  
 Dianne Dorrell – Carbon Literacy.  
 Dianne Dorrell – Newsletter.  
 Dianne Dorrell – News in Brief.

