

SHAWBURY PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL
ON TUESDAY MARCH 11TH. 2025 at 7.00pm.

Public Session:

There were no members of the public present.

Present:

Mr. P. Sharp (Chairman)

Mr. M. Roberts

Mr. A. Foster

Mr. K. Pickering

Mr. J. Vernon

Mrs. Jill Manley

Mrs. J. Herbert

Mr. R. Pinches

In Attendance:

Shropshire Councillor Mr. S. Jones.

Flt. Lt. D. Hewitt (RAF Shawbury).

The Parish Clerk.

Mr. D. Evans

24/139 Apologies:

Apologies were received from Councillors Mr. A. Brown and Mr. C. Forshaw.

24/140 Disclosure of Personal or Prejudicial Interests.

No interests were declared.

24/141 Minutes of Meeting held on February 11th.2025

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

24/142 Matters Arising

(a) Burial Ground Maintenance:

Cllr K. Pickering stated that he had met with Mr. Matt Thorpe who had stated that he could undertake the work starting on April 14th. and it would take 3-4 days. Clerk stated that he needed a copy of Mr. Thorpe's 3rd. party insurance, a risk assessment and an estimate of the overall cost before work began and was assured this was in hand.

(b) Scrambling Events:

There had been no further complaints received and after consideration it was decided to keep the activity under constant review.

(c) Council Election:

There was a good deal of discussion about the forth coming Election and Members were encouraged to speak to friends and neighbours and encourage them to consider standing for election. The Chairman passed out copies of a printed leaflet which could be delivered to households or put on display.

(d) RAF Shawbury Airplay

Following a question from a member of the Parish Council RAF Shawbury has kindly identified that a small number of places are available at the Airplay (Behind the Station Gym). The Airplay is a Youth Centre (Funded by the RAF Benevolent Fund) that provides Youth Club type activities to the children of Service Families. There are currently a limited number of places that are being offered to the Youth of Shawbury Village timings as follows:

Juniors (8-11 yrs): Tuesdays 1800 – 1945

Inters and Seniors (11-18 yrs) Thursdays 1800 – 1945

These may change after Easter!

All young people must be registered prior to attending at www.airplayconnect.org.

They should arrive for their first session with a parent/carer.

24/ 143 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 or were being taken and responses made.

4/144 Accounts and Financial Statement:

(a)) Payment of the following accounts was approved:

Mr. J. Wilson	Salary (March)	£536.77
Inland Revenue	PAYE & NI March)	£375.96
Mr. J. Wilson	Expenses (Feb)	£72.75
Mr. J. Wilson	Office Rent (Sept. – March incl.)	£250.00
Mr. M. Varndell	Litter collection and disposal (March)	£500.00
Hope House	Grant	£250.00
The Severn Hospice	Grant	£250.00
Shawbury Scouts/Guides	Grant	£500.00
Shawbury Football Club	Grant for ‘Fun Day’	£500.00
Simply Shredding	Shredding old documents etc.	£11.00
JST Services	Footpath Clearance work (50 hours)	£900.00
Mr. Richard Bailey	Floral Gateways – Spring Planting	£151.00
Interactive Information	Website Hosting (14/03/25 – 14/03/26)	£180.00

(b) Financial Statement.

The financial statement was tabled and approved.

24/145 Exchange of Information.

(a)Additional Items for inclusion on the next Agenda.

It was decided that as the next meeting was the last one before the election no new major projects should be identified.

(b) Urgent issues regarding the following:

(i) Highways:

It was noted that no action had been taken to repair some pot holes which had been reported on ‘Fix My Street’

(ii) Streetlights:

Councillor A. Foster asked if the lights on the Council car park should have been converted to Led lighting but it was decided to take no action until a fault occurred.

(iii) Other:

Councillor K. Pickering raise concerns about a car being parked permanently in the small car park by the shops, limiting access for people wishing to use the shops. It was noted that there was no time limit notice and it was suggested that the new Council might like to investigate the possibility of introducing one.

24/146 Reports from:

(a)Police:

No reports had been received.

(b) RAF Shawbury:

Flt. Lt. Hewitt reported that

Night Flying would continue until 15th. May

Land Owners Day was being held on 22nd. May

The latest report of the Helicopter Liaison Group had been published.

The next edition of Aries magazine would be published in May

(c) Shropshire Council:

Shropshire Councillor S. Jones reported that:

(a) He had received a response from Shropshire Councils Highways Department regarding signage on the A53 close to the roundabout:

Keir had placed stickers on the 40mph roundels and it was believed they met the necessary requirements and the Divisional Manager would investigate why Multiva had not replaced the road markings after carrying out patching work.

(b) He had raised concerns about the closure of the Post Office which had been operating from the Village Hall

(c) Shropshire Council's Local Housing Plan had been rejected by the Inspectors which could lead to ramifications in housing development across the County.

24/147 Planning:**A. The following application has been listed:**

9, Birch Drive, Shawbury – Certificate of Lawfulness for the erection of a single storey extension and garage conversion.

B. The following applications have been received for consideration:

1. 38, Poynton Road, - Two storey side extension and porch to front elevation (25/00568/FUL).

No objections raised.

2. 1, Pool House Cottages, Butlers Bank, Shawbury, SY4 4HH – Single storey side extension after the removal of a garden room (25/00632/FUL) *No objections raised.*

C. The following application has been approved:

Heal Farms, Butlers Bank, Shawbury – Change of use of former farm office to specialized affordable housing (24/01902/FUL).

24/148 Committee and Other Reports.

The Vice Chairman reported that he had attended meetings of the SALC Executive and The Devolved Services Working Group where a range of issues had been discussed. Details had been passed to the Chairman and the Clerk and Members who wished to see them were advised to contact the Clerk.

24/149 Press Matters.

The Chairman and Clerk will co-ordinate reports to the Parish Newsletter and the local Facebook page.

24/150 Date of Next Council Meeting:

Tuesday April 8th. 2025 at 7.00pm

Approved as a true record of the Meeting.

Signed: P. Sharp (Chairman) **Date: 9th. April 2025**

Correspondence received since the February Meeting:

Gail Power – Training Events.

John Campion – PCC Newsletter.

Shrewsbury & Telford Hospital Trust – Get Involved.

Tracie Howells – Thanks for Fun Day Grant.

Dianne Dorrell Weekly Briefing.
Chris Mellings – Emergency Planning Survey.
Heather Ford – Thanks for grant for Scouts/Guides.
Project Gigabit – Update.
Chris Mellings – Local Nature Recovery.
Richard Dowman – Spring Wreath Workshop.
Dianne Dorrell – Weekly Briefing.
Chris Mellings – Election Briefing.
Parish Newsletter.
Robin Henderson – VE Day Flags.
Radio Shropshire – Make a Difference.
Chris Mellings – Overview & Scrutiny Committee.
David Hewitt – Airplay Centre.
Rev. P. Cawthorne – Hadnall Sewerage and Flooding.
Freedom Fibre - Closure of Muckleton Road 6-11 May.
Cllr. Simon Jones - Closure of Post Office.
Chris Mellings – International Women’s Day.
Cllr. S. Jones – ‘Fix my Street’ response.
PCSO Jamie Robinson – Newsletter.
Dianne Dorrell – Weekly Briefing.
Elections Office – Access to Register of Electors.
Cllr. K Pickering – Burial Ground work.
Chris Mellings – V-Day Celebrations.
Chris Mellings – Election Up-dates.