

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SHAWBURY PARISH COUNCIL HELD ONLINE ON
TUESDAY 9th. JUNE 2020 at 7.00pm.**

Public Session:

No members of the public accessed the meeting and no issues had been raised.

Present

Mr. C. Kennedy (Chairman)

Mr. B. Lyon

Mr. A. G. Foster

Mrs. J. Herbert

Mrs. J. Manley

Mr. A. Brown

Mr. C. Kirkup

Ms. S. McIntosh

Mr. P. Sharp

Mr. D. Roberts

In Attendance:

Mrs. D. Harris (High Sheriff for Shropshire)

Shropshire Councillor S. Jones.

The Parish Clerk.

20/15 Apologies:

Apologies had been received from Councillors Mr. R. Pinches and Mr. J. Vernon.

20/16 Personal or Prejudicial Interests.

There were no interests declared.

20/17 Mrs. Dean Harris (High Sheriff of Shropshire).

The Chairman welcomed Mrs. Harris to the meeting and thanked her for accepting the invitation to attend and meet up with Councillors. Mrs. Harris then gave an interesting and informative outline of her background, the role of the High Sheriff and the main causes she is keen to support which are domestic abuse; addiction to drugs and alcohol and child poverty.

The Chairman thanked her for her report and felt that she had a challenging time ahead of her but assured her of support from the Council.

20/18 Minutes of Meeting held on May 19th. 2020

The minutes of the meeting having been circulated, were approved and at an appropriate time would be signed by the Chairman as a true record.

20/19 Matters Arising.

(a) Church Close and Park Avenue New Lights (20/07/ (a)):

Clerk reported that work was under way although one of the residents had objected to the location of the new light but this had been resolved by Councillor P. Sharp and Mr. Garry Johnson from Eon.

Eon were now waiting for Scottish Power to do the cable connections so that the old lights could be removed and the project finalised.

(b) Motor Cycle Noise (20/11(a)):

It was noted that an enforcement order was being considered regarding an alleged breach of Planning Control at Wytheford Grange.

(c) Highways Issues (Various):

1. Repairs had been carried out to the Wem Road speed humps.
2. Some patching repairs had been carried out on the main roads.
3. It had been reported that neither of the two new housing estates had been adopted by Shropshire Council and the contractors would be responsible for the installation of 'No Through Road' signs.

(d) Repair of Street Signs:

Clerk reported that continued unsuccessful attempts had been made to contact the contractor responsible for carrying out the work but there was no way of finding where he was located during the current crises. Attempts would be continued over the next few weeks but a decision about the project would need to be made at the next meeting.

20/20 Correspondence.

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

Councillor A. Brown was thanked for circulating details of reported police incidents and producing a four month statistical report.

Councillor P. Sharp, The Chairman and Mr. R. Bailey were thanked for the prompt repair to fencing adjacent to the cycle track. Councillor Sharp indicated that there was still additional work needed.

20/21(a) Accounts for Payment.

It was resolved to pay the following accounts:

Mr. J. Wilson	Salary (June)		£595.40
Mr. J. Wilson	Expenses (May)		£44.69
Inland Revenue	PAYE (June)	£149.00	
	N.I. (June)	£ 1.71	£150.71
Mr. T. Creber	Litter collection (May)		£340.00
Mr. A. P. Sharp	Fence posts and concrete		£84.66
Mr. J. Kennedy	Zoom up-grade for the Council meeting		£14.39

20/21(b) Financial Statement:

A financial statement was tabled and approved.

20/22 Exchange of Information.(a) Agenda Item for next meeting:

Parish Online. Mapping

(b) Other Issues:

1. Highways:

No additional problems raised.

2. Streetlights:

No problems raised.

3. Other Reports:i. Car Park Lease:

Details of the new lease had been sent to Members for consideration and it was unanimously agreed to accept the new terms.

ii. Community Environment Grant:

It was noted that the Council had received a grant of £1,500.00 from Shropshire Council to enable it to carry out some minor work projects which would normally be done by Shropshire Council staff. The grant had to be match funded and could only be used to fund work for which Shropshire Council had responsibility. However, Parish Council work could be undertaken by the post holder and paid separately.

An application to undertake responsibility for undertaking the work had been received from Mr. John Tait who lived locally, was well qualified and known by several Members. The Clerk had outlined to him what was required and Members agreed that he should be offered the post on a self-employed basis. The Clerk would contact Mr. Tait and then provide him with a contract for the work.

Councillor A. Brown agreed to act as the liaison Councillor.

iii. Council Owned Seats:

The Clerk reported that he had received an email pointing out that a seat situated between Wytheford Road and the Mytton Estate was in a dangerous condition and the Chairman suggested that there were at least six seats that needed to be inspected.

It was suggested that Mr. Tait should be asked to inspect them and quote for necessary repairs or to suggest whether they needed to be replaced.

iv. Burial Ground:

Councillor A. Foster stated that he had received a complaint about the state of the Burial Ground.

The Chairman pointed out that it had not been possible to carry out planned maintenance because of the 'lock down' and the difficulty in purchasing the required materials because stores were not open.

He would carry out some work in the near future.

v. Shawbury United Sports and Recreation Centre:

Councillor C. Kirkup stated that no further progress could be made until a detailed soil test was carried out. This had been planned and would be done when the current regulations allowed it to take place and the crop growing on the field had been harvested.

vi. School Alarm.

The Vice Chairman reported that following complaints that the alarm was frequently being activated an inspection had taken place and necessary repairs carried out.

vii Canopy outside the Co-op Shop:

The Vice Chairman reported that he had spoken to the management team at the shop following concerns raised about the possibility of the canopy falling. They had agreed to discuss it with the company's safety team and ask for it to be removed.

viii Shawbury United:

Councillor C. Kirkup reported that a storage unit owned by the Club on the field in Poynton Road had been broken into but nothing appeared to have been stolen. He was advised to report it on 101 or direct to the local police beat officer.

ix Litter:

Councillor Mrs. J. Herbert raised concerns about the amount of litter on the lower part of the playing field and the Chairman promised to discuss this with Mr. Creber.

20/23 Reports from:

(a) Police

The following incidents had been recorded by the police in April:

Antic-Social Behaviour – 5 (Glebelands 2; Poynton Road; Leasowes Park; River Gardens).

Violence – 5 (Bridgeway; Leasowes Park 2; Church Close; Muckleton Lane).

Theft -1 (Playing Field

Other -1 (Muckleton Lane).

(b) RAF Shawbury

No report tabled.

(c) Shropshire Council.

Shropshire Councillor S. Jones reported that:

1. The Shopping Centres in Shrewsbury were re-opening for business on Monday June 15th.
2. The most successful way to get action by Shropshire Council was to report the issue on 'My Shropshire'.
3. He had reported concerns about the failure of Shropshire Council to empty the waste bins located in the Parish and action appeared to have been taken.

20/24 Planning.

1. The following application has been received and no objections were raised.

18, Erdington Close, Shawbury – single storey extension following the demolition of an existing conservatory (20/01951/FUL).

2. Planning Enforcement:

Shropshire Council were planning to issue an enforcement order on land at Wytheford Grange for the operation of Motor Cycle racing.

The Chairman reported that he had received complaints about excessive noise over the weekend which seemed to emanate from the authorised site and the situation would need to be monitored.

20/25 Committee and Other Reports.**SALC Executive Committee:**

Councillor P. Sharp reported on a meeting held on June 8th. where reports had been received from Telford and Wrekin Council; Area Committees; the President and the County Secretary.

A NALC representative had given an overview of the National situation for Councils, where funding was still a major issue and details were given of mapping software available to Councils and the plan to undertake a Parish Charter Review of Shropshire.

The full report would be circulated to Members.

20/26 Press Matters.

The Clerk stated that he would check when the issue of the Newsletter was planned to start again as there were a number of items that needed to be published.

20/27 Date of Next Meeting:

Tuesday July 14th. 2020

Approved as a true record of the Meeting.

Signed: C. J. Kennedy (Chairman) Date: July 16th. 2020

Correspondence received since May meeting:

Please note the following list does not include all the information received regarding the Coronavirus epidemic.

Gail Power – Crime prevention for horse owners.

Gail Power Interactive Maps newsletter.

Gail Parry – Jayroc Stables.

Helen Lewis – request for information for grant application (SURC).

Gail Power – Warmer homes in Shropshire.

Resident – issues relating to the up-grade of lighting in Church Close.

Resident - Wishing to reserve a plot for the burial of ashes.

Dianne Dorrell – Pay phone up-date.

Residents – streetlight not working (outside 49 Bridgeway).

Dianne Dorrell – News in Brief.

Undertaker – enquiry re the use of a casket to bury ashes.

Various – streetlight replacement in Church Close

Cllrs P. Sharp and J. Herbert – damaged fencing by cycle track.

Cllr P. Sharp – repairs to fencing.

Cllr B. Lyon – concern about revised bus time-table

Cllr A. Brown – police incidents March

Cllr A. Brown – Crime Statistics.

Resident – dispute with neighbour.

Police Commissioner – Newsletter.

Cllr A. Brown – issues related to Council web site; street nameplates; roundabout; traffic order; no through road signs; Co-op canopy and School parking

Gail Power – Severn Trent Community Fund.

Renee Wallace Marshes Community Led Housing.

Shropshire Council – enforcement order.

Simon Jones – re. enforcement order.

Gemma Lawley – ‘No Through Road’ signs.

Michael Watney – car park lease.

Eon – repair of light in Bridgeway.

Adam Davies – Car Park Lease.

Cllr. B. Lyon –Co-op canopy.

John Tait – application for Community Environment Post.