

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SHAWBURY PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE  
VILLAGE HALL ON TUESDAY AUGUST 11<sup>th</sup>. 2015 at 7.00pm.**

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**Public Session:**

There were three members of the public present and concerns were raised about the placement of speed cushions on the Wem Road and the lack of consultation before the project was carried out. Councillor Simon Jones explained the process behind the development and promised to discuss possible changes with the Highways Officer concerned with the project.

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**Present:**

Mr. D. Roberts (Chairman).

Ms. S. McIntosh

Mrs. J. Manley

Mr. J. Kennedy

Mrs. F. Medley

Miss R. Wall

Mr. A. G. Foster

Mr. P. Sharp

**In Attendance:**

Shropshire Councillor S. Jones.

The Parish Clerk.

One member of the public.

**Apologies:**

Apologies were presented and accepted from Councillor Mrs. G. Matthews and Lt. M. McArdle R.N.

**15/60 Declaration of Personal or Prejudicial Interests:**

There were no declarations.

**15/61 Minutes of Meeting held on July 14<sup>th</sup>. 2015:**

The minutes of the meeting, having been circulated, were approved and signed by the Chairman as a true record. *Councillor Mrs. J. Manley abstained from supporting the motion to approve.*

**15/62 Matters Arising:**

**(a)Highways (15/50(a)):**

All the issues raised had been reported to the Highways Department and responses had been forwarded to Members.

The Vice Chairman raised major concerns about the lack of response to the report about the signs on the A53 which had been removed leaving bare cables. Councillor Jones stated he would take immediate action.

**(b) Litter Collection (15/50(b)):**

Chairman reported that he had clarified this with Veolia and had told Mr. Creber to contact him if there were further problems. However it appeared that the problem had not been resolved and the waste was only being collected once a fortnight.

Chairman stated that he would seek an alternative solution to the problem.

**(c) Fitness Area (15/50(h)):**

Chairman and Clerk gave details of a meeting held with a representative of Proludic, when they had viewed a selection of possible sites before suggesting that the most suitable area was the triangular section of the playing field adjacent to the burial ground. The company had produced a detailed plan of suitable equipment with a quoted price of £14,402.00 (+VAT), which was considered by Members. It was unanimously agreed that the proposed site was a suitable location but that a second quotation was needed and also a need to seek grant aid to go ahead with the project.

Councillor Sharp offered to begin the process of seeking grant aid and this was readily accepted by Members.

(d) White Lodge Park – Pedestrian Access from A53 (15/50(j)):

Councillor Jones confirmed that it was not possible to have the area lit but was arranging for a T barrier to be installed.

(e) Youth Club provision (15/50(f)):

Clerk stated that he had been in contact with Sue Thomas, who had confirmed that the consortium led by Wem Youth Club had secured the contract to deliver Youth Services in the area served by Wem and Shawbury LJC. She anticipated that they would make a request to attend the September meeting of the Council to discuss the provision of a youth club in Shawbury.

Members agreed to this and asked the Clerk to ensure that Councillor Howells was advised of this and that the volunteers were invited to attend.

(f) Anaerobic Digester, Park House (15/public session)

Clerk reported that he had received responses from Shropshire Council's planning department, the Environment Agency and Mr. Pinches. The planning department had not recorded any complaints and the Environment Agency had received nine from three people but mainly from one address. All had been investigated but no evidence of unpleasant odours could be identified outside the boundary of the site.

It was agreed that a letter should be sent to Mr. Affleck giving him details of the responses that had been received.

Clerk to action.

(g) Dog Orders (15/57)

Victoria Doran had informed the Clerk that it was not possible to get the Dog Warden or a representative to attend the meeting and in spite of numerous attempts by the Clerk and Shropshire Councillor Simon Jones, there had been no response from the relevant department at Shirehall.

(h) Shawbury Library (15/50(j)):

Chairman and Clerk both reported that they had attended the open meeting held in the library. Attendance had been limited and it appeared that no new proposals had been tabled.

A petition objecting to the closure of the library, signed by 1,000 people, had been sent to Shropshire Council and Councillor Jones confirmed that it would be considered at the next full Council meeting.

(i) Grove Farm – complaint about noise level (15/54(biii))

Clerk reported that he and Mr. Darnell, who had also made a written complaint, had both received an immediate response from Matthew Clarke, Public Protection Officer at Shropshire Council. The issue had been discussed with the owners of the site and there would be close monitoring of the next two planned events. Any future concerns should be reported directly to the Out of Hours Team on 03456 789 000 who should be able to take action.

**15/63 Correspondence:**

Members considered the following correspondence received by the Clerk since the last meeting, most of which had already been sent to them:

EM North East – response to issues raised at last meeting.

Matthew Clarke – Noise from Grove Farm.

Sian Jenkins – telephone call re loose dogs.

Diane Dorrell – Weekly newsletter July 20<sup>th</sup>.

NALC – Information Document July 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Andy Wilson – road works notification.

K. Isaaks – wheely bin stickers.

RoSPA – play area inspection reports.

*Clerk informed Members that there had been relatively few issues raised and that he had forwarded a copy of the reports to Richard Bailey who had promised to carry out the necessary repairs.*

Richard Ayton – copy of correspondence with Mrs. Bayliss.

Robert Allmark – rotten bollards.

*Clerk has discussed the replacement of the bollards with Mr. Allmark and he had agreed to quote for replacing them with Oak ones.*

Victoria Doran – dog warden, etc.

NALC – Newsletter (July 27<sup>th</sup>).

Police Commissioner (July 27<sup>th</sup>).

NHS – Health and well- being newsletter.

EM North East – Dogs

Gethin Bowley (Environment Agency) re. Anaerobic Digester.

Graham French (Shropshire Council, Principal Planner) re. Anaerobic Digester.

Mr. Bob Compton – complaint about state of gutters and paths on Mytton Estate.

*Details had been sent to the Highways Department who had promised to respond.*

Shropshire Council – Health & Well Being

W. M. Police – Commissioner’s Newsletter (Aug. 8<sup>th</sup>.)

Dianne Dorrell – Public Health funding cuts.

Annual Police Survey.

*Response to be considered at the next Council meeting.*

Dianne Dorrell – SALC Newsletter (Aug. 6<sup>th</sup>.)

Shropshire Council – High Court Judgement on affordable housing and CIL money.

*Council to be congratulated on the stance they had taken.*

#### **15/64 Accounts for Payment:**

It was resolved to pay the following invoices:

Mr. J. Wilson	Salary (August)	£655.46
Mr. J. Wilson	Expenses (July)	£66.12
Inland Revenue	Tax/NI (August)	£33.04
Mr. T. Creber	Village Work (July)	£300.00
Mr. R. Bailey	Maintenance (July)	£445.00
Mr. R. Bailey	Sign for cycle track	£187.00
SALC	Training fee (Clerk)	£20.00
Interactive Information	Setting up new email address	£63.00*
Playsafety	Play area inspections	£286.80
EON	Replacement lights (Wytheford Rd.	£1,200.00

\*50% to be re-claimed from Myddle and Broughton P.C.

#### **15/65 Financial Statement:**

A financial statement was tabled and approved.

#### **15/66 Exchange of Information:**

(a) Agenda Items for the next meeting:

Youth Club Provision.

Review of risk assessment documentation.

Annual Firework Display.

(b) The following items were reported:

(i) Highways:

Clerk was asked to remind the Highways Department of the following problems which needed urgent attention:

Traffic Light Area – overhanging tree blocking one of the lights; blocked drain causing flooding as soon as there is any rain and the very untidy state of the small area where an ash tree is now several feet high

(ii) Street Lighting:

No issues raised.

(iii) Other:

Clerk reported that:

- (a) He had written to the companies that sponsor the Floral Gateways and to date three of the four had agreed to continue with the sponsorship for a further year.
- (b) As the Vicar was retiring and currently on leave, it would be necessary to contact his replacement regarding the oversight of the burial ground and hope that she would be prepared to continue with the current arrangements.

Councillor Mrs. Manley asked the Clerk to ensure that he obtained a copy of the United Charities Constitution for future reference. It was suggested that he contact Mrs. Cath Mason who would be able to help.

**15/67 Reports from:****(a) Police:**

The following incidents had been recorded on the web site for June:

Anti-Social Behaviour – 2 (Glebelands and near A53)

Theft – 1 (Beech Grove) *No suspect identified*

Criminal Damage – 1 (Oak Drive) *No suspect identified*

Shop Lifting – 5 (near River Gardens) *No suspect identified*

Violence – 4 (near River Gardens; Hazeldine; McKinley Drive – 2) *Unable to prosecute.*

Burglary – 1 (Muckleton Road) *No suspect identified.*

Clerk pointed out that these are reported incidents and frequently will not be recorded as crimes.

**(b) RAF Shawbury:**

1. Chairman reported that he had received a formal complaint about the noise from the Motor Cycle event. However, Members felt that the noise was not excessive but that the base needed to give better publicity to the event so that the public were aware that it was taking place.
2. Clerk reported that he had written to the Commanding Officer asking for the base to continue to sponsor the Community Service Awards.
3. Councillor Kennedy reported that Group Captain Jason Appleton was taking over command of the base.

**(c) Shropshire Council:**

Councillor Jones stated that he had no further information to add to what had already been discussed.

**15/68 Planning:**A. The following applications were considered:

1. Field House, Wytheford Road, Shawbury extensions to existing property to provide additional living space and a swimming pool.

*No objections raised.*

2. Storage Hangar, Wem Road, Shawbury – construction of an Anaerobic Digester

*Objected to on the grounds that it would create additional excessive heavy goods vehicle movements to and from the site, along the A53 and Wem Road through Shawbury Village.*

B. Approved Application:

Meadowcroft, Shrewsbury Road, Shawbury – erection of one dwelling.

**15/69 Committee Reports:**

No reports tabled.

**15/70 Press Matters:**

No issues to report.

**15/71 Date and Time of next meeting:**

The next meeting will be on September 8<sup>th</sup>. 2015 at 7.00pm in Shawbury Village Hall.

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

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