## **Atcham Annual Parish Meeting**

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Annual Parish Meeting Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2021

## **MINUTES**

- 1. Chairman's welcome The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting
- Present Councillor C Wildblood-Chairman, Councillor S Shedden, Councillor R Trow, Councillor S Cook, Shropshire Councillor C Wild, LPardoe clerk to the council and 4 members of the public. Apologies were received from Councillor J Caswell who was unwell and unable to attend the meeting.
- Approval of the minutes from Annual Meeting May 2019, there being no Annual Parish Meeting in 2020 due to the COVID19 Coronavirus Pandemic. It was agreed that these were a true and accurate record of the meeting, Proposed by Councillor S Shedden, seconded by Councillor S Cook and agreed by everyone present.
- 4. Matters arising from those minutes. There were no matters arising from the minutes.
- 5. Public session No one wished to speak.
- 6. Finance Report -Please see attached report
- 7. Chairman's Report. The Chairman reported that it had been a very challenging year for everyone. There was no Annual meeting in 2020 due to the Coronavirus COVID19 pandemic. From May Parish Council were able to meet virtually following the introduction of legislation to allow such meetings to take place. This legislation was not renewed in May 2021 and Parish Councils now have to meet face to face. The Council had met virtually to sign of the annual accounts and complete the financial paperwork for the External Audit.

The council met regularly to conduct its routine business as required. The Chairman thanked all members for their continuing hard work. He thanked Shropshire Councillor C Wild for her hard work on behalf of the Council throughout the year. He also thanked the clerk for her work in keeping the council running smoothly throughout the year.

- 8. Shropshire Councillors Report See report.
- 9. Reports from other organisations
  - Village Hall-Councillor Caswell not being present the clerk read the following report.
    The Village Hall has been closed since February 2020 so there very little to report.
    During lockdown the Management Committee has made a few improvements to the hall. The major one being the replacement of the central heating system. They have

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also repainted the ladies toilet cubicles, fitted new modern taps on the washbasins in all the toilets.

They are also in the process of having a new emergency door fitted in the Berwick room. The Committee has also sanctioned the replacement of the concertina door that is due to be fitted in the next few weeks. The Wall by the rear door has been stripped of plaster in order that we can see whether the problem damp is coming from the roof or from the drains. They hope to have the hall open when hopefully all restrictions are lifted on 21st June and we have got a number of bookings for birthdays, anniversaries and wedding receptions through the summer dependent on what restrictions are in place at the time.

- Bowling Club. No sporting activities have been taking place during t hast 12 months.
  The members have been maintaining the green as much as they can. It is hoped that bowling will be able to resume at the beginning of next month (June)
- 10. Highways. The damage to the old bridge is being repaired by Shropshire Council. The parish continues to have many potholes which we report to Shropshire Council for repair.
- 11. Other matters There were no other matters
- 12. Date and time of next meeting; Wednesday 11th May 2022
- 13. The Chairman thanked all for attending and closed the meeting at 7.15pm