

Atcham Parish Council

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Parish Council Meeting
held on Wednesday 13th July 2022

MINUTES

1. Chairman's welcome. The Chairman opened the meeting and welcomed all present.
2. Present Councillor C Wildblood-Chairman, Councillor S Cook, Councillor L Dixon, Councillor S Adney; Councillor R Trow and Councillor M Ruston, also present C Higgins, locum clerk to the council, Shropshire Councillor C Wild and one member of the public.
Apologies Councillor S Sheddon; The Council unanimously approved a six month leave of absence for Councillor S Sheddon who is receiving treatment for a health condition. The Council sent their best wishes for a rapid recovery.
3. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest. None were declared.
4. Minutes. It was unanimously resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting dated 11th May 2022 and the Chairman signed them as a true record.
5. Clerk to report on matters arising not covered on the agenda. The Locum Clerk gave an update on the health of the Parish Clerk who is unlikely to return to work before the end of the year. It was agreed by the Council that the Locum Clerk be given access to the online bank accounts to make management of the accounts more efficient. She gave an update from the Memorial Hall Committee which is minded to support the installation of a defibrillator, subject to formal approval at their next meeting. Styles and costs of benches were presented and a traditional style requiring low maintenance was preferred should the memorial bench require replacement. The Locum Clerk recommended that the Council appoint a Data Protection Officer and suggested Councillor Ruston be appointed if he is willing as he has a data protection background.
6. Shropshire Councillors' Report. Claire Wild reported on the condition of the Old Bridge at Atcham, which belongs to Shropshire Council but is overseen by English Heritage. Routine maintenance is not presently programmed so Cllr Wild has requested a grant for tidying the bridge and indicated that the parish council may be asked to take some responsibility for mowing the grassed areas in future. Trees growing out of the bridge are causing damage. All works will require the approval of English Heritage so this will take some time. The new streetlights on the new bridge will require cables to be re-laid. This will require a permit which has been applied for.
7. Public session. *Standing Orders were suspended to allow the public to speak.*
A member of the public expressed concerns about inconsiderate parking associated with the Mytton & Mermaid PH which he felt would get worse following the redevelopment of the premises causing problems for residents. He asked the Parish Council to request parking restrictions within the village. It was agreed to write to Shropshire Council Highways to request a review prior to the completion of the redevelopment.

Standing orders were reinstated and the meeting continued.

8. Jubilee Tree. Various locations were suggested for tree planting, including the foot of the Old Bridge at the corner of Cross Houses Lane and the green space in front of the Mytton and Mermaid. Cllr L Dixon will liaise with Salop Leisure to confirm the tree species and planting date before recommending a final location.
9. Community Facebook Group. The Council generally supported a Facebook group to be moderated by the Community rather than the Parish Council. Cllr Dixon will take this forward in a personal capacity.
10. Defibrillator. Councillor Martin Ruston confirmed the positive attitude of the Village Hall Committee but suggested the Council considers hiring a defibrillator, to include a maintenance plan. It was agreed to bring comparative costs for hire or purchase to the next meeting for consideration.
11. Memorial Bench. It was agreed to try to contact the family of the person commemorated on the existing bench to discuss maintenance or replacement options.
12. Footpaths. It was noted that despite the beauty of the countryside around Atcham, footpath access was limited. Councillor M Ruston proposed a new permissive footpath be requested. It was resolved to contact the larger landowners with a view to reviewing existing and identifying potential new footpaths. Cllr Ruston to work with the Clerk to write to the relevant land agents.
13. Atcham Old Bridge. See Shropshire Councillor's report on bridge maintenance responsibilities
14. Highways Matters. The poor state of white lining in Atcham, particularly at the junction of B4380 and Malthouse Lane will be reported on FixMyStreet. The new highways technician is Andy Oliver. The Councillors expressed ongoing concerns about the confused lining at Emstrey Roundabout but it was noted that this is the responsibility of Highways England over which Shropshire Council has limited influence.
15. Planning Matters.
 - a) The Clerk reported on previous applications
 - Reference: 22/00036/LBC
Address: Attingham Hall, Attingham Park
Proposal: Installation of a ramp to facilitate inclusive access to mansion tearooms affecting a Grade 1 Listed Building. Permission granted
 - Reference: 22/00017/LBC (validated: 05/01/2022)
Address: Attingham Hall, Attingham Park, Atcham, Shrewsbury, Shropshire
Proposal: Listed Building Consent for the removal of former boiler flue chimney to rear of mansion. Permission granted
 - Reference: 21/06018/LBC (validated: 04/01/2022)
Address: Attingham Hall, Attingham Park, Atcham, Shrewsbury, Shropshire
Proposal: Works to facilitate the re-roofing of the East Colonnade to include re-plastering of the ceiling beneath re-submission of previously approved 15/05592/LBC Permission granted
 - Reference: 22/00364/FUL
Address: Proposed Residential Barns Conversions East of Atcham Grange
Proposal: Conversion of traditional barns into 5 dwellings, demolition of stables, erection of recycling /refuse store, and re-siting of agricultural building – Permission granted
 - Reference: 22/00365/LBC

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- Reference:22/01538/LBC

Address: Mytton & Mermaid, Atcham, Shrewsbury

Proposal: Proposed Internal & External alterations. – Permission granted

- Reference: 22/01537/FUL

Address: Mytton & Mermaid Hotel, Atcham, Shrewsbury

Proposal: Elevational alterations, removal of various elements and demolition of garage block, formation of access steps, installation of 3 car charging points and cycle racks, formation of walled garden and landscaping scheme and fencing, installation of roof mounted solar panels. – Pending consideration. The Council resolved to invite the developers to attend an informal meeting with the Council at the start of the September meeting to enable them to discuss the concerns about parking and consider any workable solutions. The request for a donation of any unwanted furniture will also be reiterated to the new owners.

b) The Council considered the following planning applications

- Reference:22/02487/HHE

Address: Severn View, Emstrey, Atcham, Shrewsbury, SY5 6QS

Proposal: Erection of a single storey, flat roofed, rear extension – No comments

- Reference:22/02624/FUL

Address: 14 The Glebe, Atcham, Shrewsbury, SY5 6QL

Proposal: Erection of conservatory with dwarf wall to the side of dwelling-No comments

- Reference:22/02389/FUL

Address: Proposed industrial development land south of Thieves Lane, Shrewsbury

Proposal: Erection of 7 no units within Class E(G) 2/3 and or B2/B8 with ancillary offices and associated development

The Council resolved to OBJECT on the grounds that the proposed bakery will operate on a 24/7 basis and cause an unacceptable nuisance (noise and smells) to the residents of the neighbouring houses despite the minor improvements to screening. This outweighed the benefits of the employment opportunities generated. Concerns were also expressed about the number and access route for deliveries due to the proximity of the access road to the Emstrey Roundabout.

- Reference: 22/02647/FUL

Address: Love2stay Touring And Glamping, Caravan And Leisure Park, Salop Leisure Ltd, Emstrey, Atcham, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY5 6QS

Proposal: Installation of 2No. CHP units within maintenance building producing 100kw of heat and 40kw of electric and all associated works. No comments

- Reference:22/0266/FUL

Address: The Old Vicarage, Atcham, Shrewsbury, SY5 6QE

Proposal: Conversion of existing garage into annexe for family member. No comments

- Reference 22/02868/FUL
Address: Emstrey Farmhouse, Emstrey, Atcham, Shrewsbury, SY5 6QP
Proposal: Erection of a two storey self contained annexe ancillary to main dwelling. No comments
- Reference: 22/02869/LBC
Address: Emstrey Farmhouse, Emstrey, Atcham, Shrewsbury, SY5 6QP
Proposal: Erection of a two storey, self-contained annexe ancillary to main dwelling. No comments
- Reference: 22/02803/ADV
Address: Thieves Lane/Emstrey Island, Shrewsbury, Shropshire
Proposal: Installation of 1no. non-illuminated 8m totem sign. No objections

16) Finance

- a) Council to pay the accounts as presented by the clerk. It was resolved to pay the accounts as presented by the clerk. Proposed by Councillor C Wildblood, seconded by Councillor S Cook and agreed by all members present.

Councillors Wildblood and Cook signed the following cheques

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| S/O | Staff | Salary | 302.00 |
| Cheque 773 | Shropshire Council | Election fees | 100.00 |
| Cheque 774 | E.ON Energy Solutions | Street light maintenance | 27.82 |
| Cheque 775 | Shropshire Council | Joint energy costs | 74.52 |
| Cheque 776 | Staff | Salary | 666.58 |
| Cheque 777 | HMRC | Deductions | 252.99 |
| S/O | Staff | Salary | 302.00 |
| Cheque 778 | Staff | Salary | 292.10 |
| Cheque 779 | HMRC | Deductions | 146.40 |

- b) Council to approve the Bank Reconciliation. This was not available as the bank statements were not received in time. Deferred
- c) To approve and sign the Annual Monitoring Form for CIL Receipts. Councillor Wild signed on behalf of Shropshire Council. Councillor Wildblood signed on behalf of the Parish Council

19. Parish Matters

- Councillors to report any matters not covered on agenda for discussion only.
- Councillor S Cook asked about Speedwatch. Volunteers have submitted their forms but have not heard about training. It was noted that a minimum of four volunteers were required for a viable scheme. Cllr Cook to follow up with police contact.

20. Date and time of next meeting; it was agreed that this would be held on Wednesday 14th September 2022 starting at 7.30pm.

21. The Chairman thanked all for attending and closed the meeting for the public at 9.02.pm