

Adbaston Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 11th September 2024 at 8.00pm, The Jubilee Room, Adbaston Church, Adbaston

Present: Cllr K Hanlon, Cllr P Drownicki, Cllr P Nicholson, Cllr S Harvey, Clerk A Horton, County and Borough Councillor J Pert

Item 1 Chairman's Welcome

The Chairman welcomed all present. The meeting was quorate.

Item 2 Apologies

Apologies received from Borough Cllr P Jones, Cllr L Barnes, Cllr P Byrd, Cllr J Mansell, PCSO representative

Item 3 Public Participation

1 member of the public

Item 4 Minutes of the previous meeting held on 9th September 2024

The minutes of the previous meeting were signed by the Chairman as a true record.

Item 5 Ongoing Items

A Rural Isolation

The article submitted by the Parish Council to the Parish magazine is now displayed on the website.

B Floods, immediate and longer term

An email was received from the Cabinet Member for Highways, Staffordshire County Council on 11th November 2024. This stated that further work is planned for Lerridge Lane and Cash Lane/Offley Marsh as and when resources allow.

On 22nd September 2024 the Clerk was advised that Lerridge Lane was flooded again and this to date, has not been cleared. Cllr Pert agreed to raise this with Highways.

C Footpaths and Bridleways

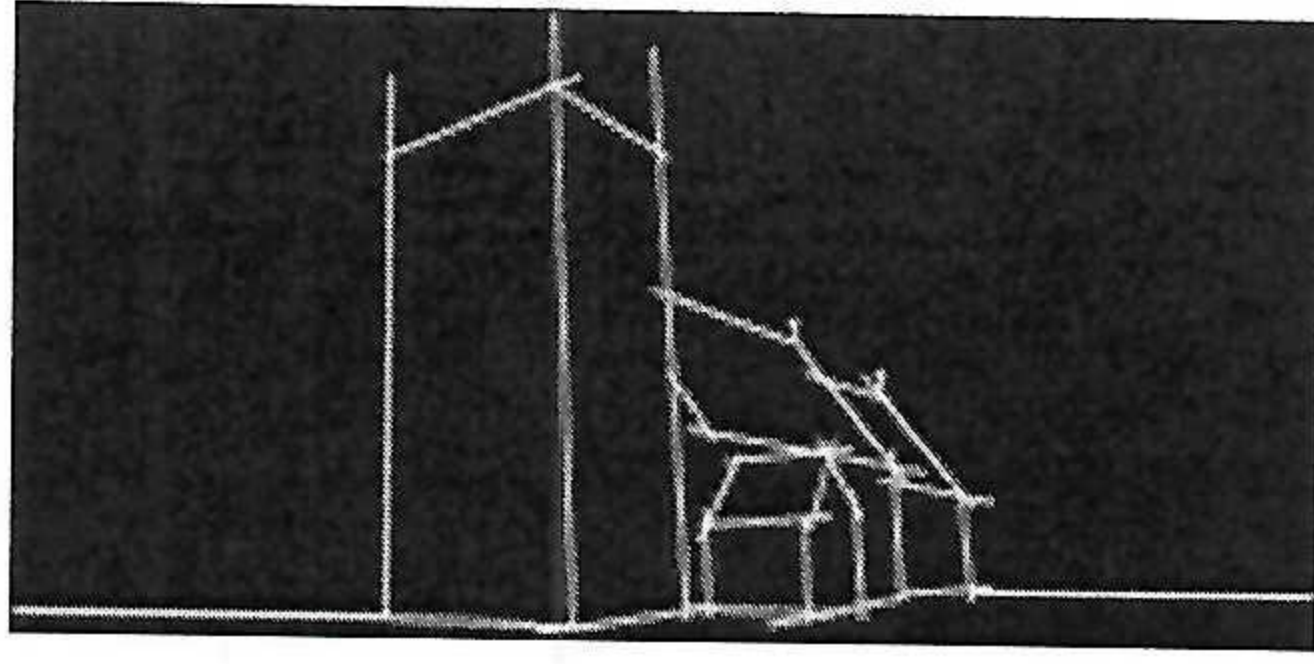
A member of the public had contacted the Clerk regarding the poor state of Footpaths Adbaston 29 and 37. Chairman to inspect these footpaths.

D Noticeboards

Carried forward to next meeting.

Item 6 Utilities

Clerk received an email on 18th September from National Grid (Western Power) advising that the project is actively progressing. Clerk to continue to chase.



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Item 7 Offley Marsh – Maintenance

Grant application to fund work on the Marsh delayed until the summer as project has to commence promptly if the application is successful (if submitted Winter, work would commence spring which is bird nesting time).

All the brash and timber collected through the year was put on the bonfire of the Millennium Green at the end of October. Local broom seeds were broadcast over an area in the Marsh.

Two trees have fallen into the Pond and a volunteer has offered to remove them.

Item 8 Defibrillator

The application to Henry Angell-James Memorial Trust (HAJMT) for a defibrillator was successful. The installation costs have been paid for by Swinnerton Transport.

Sally Angell-James from HAJMT visited Swinnerton Transport on 11th November 2024 and made a short film of the defibrillator for their promotional material.

Excelsior Foods, new owners of the Knighton Food factory have purchased a new defibrillator for the site at Knighton Foods, leaving the Parish Council with a defibrillator to re-site and a cabinet to purchase. A discussion was held for a potential site, and the community around Lea Hall was felt to be suitable. Cllr Harvey to investigate further.

The new hosts for the Knighton defibrillator are not yet in a position to host the defibrillator.

Item 9 Correspondence and Attendance at Meetings

Correspondence

Cllr member for Highways, Staffordshire CC a response to our letter

HAJMT – response to our defibrillator grant application

Lerridge Lane flooding

Sakura Cherry Tree Project

Winter Fuel Allowance

Attendance at Meetings

Knighton Foods, Remembrance service 11th November, Chair attended

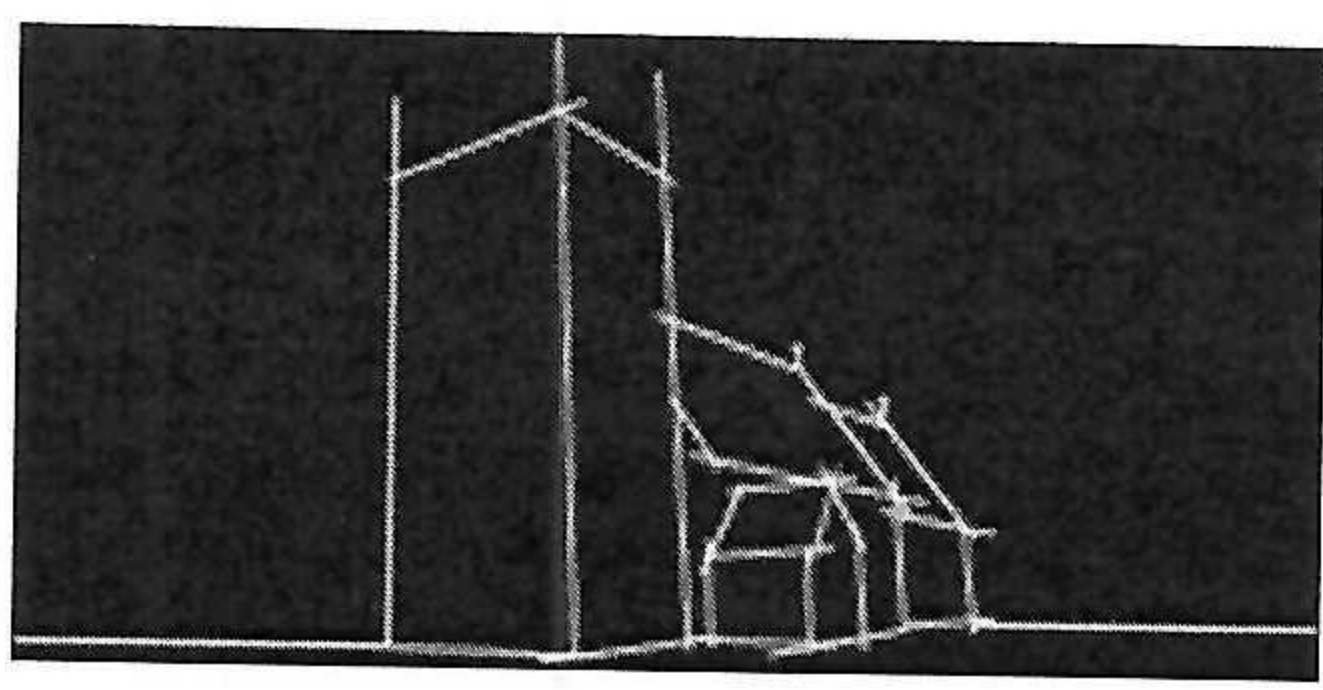
Swinnerton Transport, HAJMT, 11th November, Chair, Cllr Nicholson, Clerk defibrillator

Knighton Solar Factory Action Group, Jubilee room (10th Sep, 22nd Oct 2024) Chair, Vice Chair, members from KSFAG.

Item 10 Finance

A Payments made since September meeting

Clerk's Salary and Expenses Cheque 100429 £712.18



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Statutory Increase. Clerk's salary – Notification was received by SPCA on 23rd October 2024, advising that the Clerk's salary of SCP11 had been increased from £13.50 to £14.13 with effect from 1st April 2024.

- Item 11 Planning Applications**
21 35158 FUL – Withdrawn, Lea Hall, Tunstall Lane

24 39673 HOU – Marsh Villa, Cash Lane air source heat pump

- Item 12 To review and adopt Council policies as below**
A Safeguarding Policy
This policy was agreed and adopted

- Item 13 Precept – a discussion**
The Clerk had prepared a draft budget keeping the precept at current levels. Following a discussion, the general feeling was to keep the precept at 2024/25 level, no change.

- Item 14 Items for Consideration at next meeting**
Approval of precept for 2025/26

Date of next meeting

Monday 13th January 2025 to be held at Jubilee Room, Adbaston

The meeting was closed at 9.51pm

Dates of forthcoming meetings

2025

13th January

10th March

12th May

14th July

8th September

10th November