

## SHRAWLEY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of the Shrawley Parish Council held in Shrawley Village Hall on **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2016 commencing at 7.45pm.**

**Present:** Councillors Mr P Benkwitz (Chairman)  
Mr M Partridge  
Mr R Tesh  
Mrs A Dorrell  
Mrs N Thomas

**In attendance:** Mr S Clee Clerk, County Cllr P Grove, District Cllr P Cumming. Dr Richard Pumphrey (Parish Footpath Officer) & 7 members of the public.

**Apologies:** Cllrs P Armstrong & C Norris

### **123 Confirmation of the Minutes**

The minutes of the last meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> May 2016 as previously circulated were approved and signed by the Chairman following minor amendments.

### **124 Declaration of Interest for a) The Meeting and b) Any Changes to be notified to the Registers of Interests and Gifts & Hospitality;**

a) There were none. b) There were none.

### **125 Parish Path Warden:**

Following Dr Richard Pumphrey's appointment on 17<sup>th</sup> March 2016, he gave a presentation to all members present on the responsibilities Worcestershire County Council had relating to a range of issues from footpaths, bridges, gates and a dam. Dr Pumphrey was thanked for his presentation and asked to return to a future date of the Council should an issue arise that the Parish Council's support would assisted in resolving.

### **126 Planning Matters:**

007 16/00915/HOU Glazenbridge Lodge, Shrawley, Worcestershire, WR6 6TQ  
Conservatory/porch

It was RESOLVED to support this application.

### **127 County & District Councillor's Report**

District Councillor Cumming informed Council MHDC was carrying out a review of their Enforcement Policy & Review Procedures.

County Councillor Phil Grove stated a week in politics is a long time especially after the recent Brexit vote nationally. New Prime Minister, soon to be new Cabinet and possible different direction to national policy.

Councillor Grove said the Chief Constable had recently retired and a replacement would be one of his first appointments. He stated the Commissioner currently holds three elected positions, at County, District and his Commissioner role and he had decided to remain in those positions until the next subsequent elections to save the County Council from an expensive by-election cost likely to be around £25,000. He had recently appointed Mrs Tracey Onslow-Fage as his Deputy which had received considerable criticism as she was a serving Councillor with Mr Campion on WFDC.

Councillor Grove was informed the recent closure of the B4196 was a complete shambles and he agreed to take away the issues and report back at a subsequent meeting.

### **128 Deeds for Village Hall and Millennium Green**

Councillor Partridge confirmed Morton Fisher Solicitors were proceeding with the new deeds for the village hall and there was a likely cost of £250.00. Council agreed that Cllr Partridge be authorised to contact the Law Society as it was felt they should not pay for any fees associated one of their former members.

### **129 Parish Plan**

Councillor Partridge informed Council that the working group looking at the Parish Plan had met and a draft report and survey will be brought forward at a subsequent meeting of this Council.

### **130 Planning Report**

Cllr Tesh presented a detailed report relating to the extended time-scale performance of MHDC in determining planning applications within the Parish. Councillor Grove, as Leader of MHDC, agreed to host a meeting at Malvern with representatives from this Council and MHDC Planners.

### **131 Shrawley War Memorial**

The Clerk had received a quotation from Independent Memorial Inspection for the cleansing and minor restoration of the War Memorial. A second quotation was awaited from Davis Memorials and this will be looked at again at a subsequent meeting.

### **132 Bus Shelter Shrawley**

Council noted the quotation for a new bus shelter opposite the Village Hall. It was stated we had a local company namely Malvern Timber Framed Buildings in Nutcross Lane. It was agreed a quotation would be sought from them prior to a subsequent resolution being made.

### **133 Village Defibrillator**

The Chairman informed Council a defibrillator donated for the benefit of the Parish was going to be refurbished by the Ambulance Trust and then located within the lobby of the Village Hall.

### **134 New Inn Shrawley**

Council was informed that the tenants at the New Inn had signed a 5 year contract with the brewery and it was hoped an intensive refurbishment package will shortly take place. Council RESOLVED to support this matter and wish the New Inn tenants great success in their programmed works.

### **135 Accounts for Payment**

- a) *Three payments were authorised retrospectively:*
- \* TSB Cheque # 61 - £108.00 - CS Gardening Services – (Lengthsman – April & May)*
  - \* TSB Cheque # 62 - £4,650.00 – From Lloyds Bank to Barclays Account*
  - \* TSB Cheque # 63 - £43.60 – From Lloyds Bank to Barclays Account*

*The following payments were authorised during the meeting:*

- \* Barclays Cheque # 001 - £445.10 – Clerk's Salary & Expenses for (April & May 2016)*
- \* Barclays Cheque # 002 - £89.40 - HMRC*

These transactions enable the TSB accounts to be closed and a letter of authorisation was signed. Council noted the signatures on the Barclays Current Account were Councillors Armstrong, Partridge & Tesh whilst all seven Councillors are signatures of the Barclays Savings Account.

### **136 Date of the next Meeting**

There being no other business the meeting ended at 22.00pm. The next meeting will take place on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2016 commencing at 7.45pm.

Chairman.....  
12<sup>th</sup> September 2016

Items discussed under public participation included:

- Anonymous letters to the Parish Council
- Heavy lorries along Church Lane
- Results of speed monitoring along Church Lane
- Overgrown foliage around the Post Box at the corner of Church Lane
- Refurbishment of the Telephone Box
- State of the footpath between Glazen Bridge and former Rose & Crown
- Detail of comments on planning applications