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MINUTES

1. Chairman's welcome the chairman welcomed all to the meeting.
2. Present Councillor C Wildblood-Chairman, Councillor L Dixon, Councillor S Shedden, Councillor S Adney, Shropshire Councillor C Wild L Pardoe, clerk to the council, three members of the public. Apologies were received from Councillor S Cook who had a prior commitment, Councillor R Trow who had tested positive for Covid19 Councillor J Caswell who was preparing for an operation. These were accepted by the council.
3. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest. There were none declared at this point.
4. Public Session. *Standing Orders were suspended to allow the members of public to speak*
One member of the public spoke on the amendment to application 21/04331/FUL. The applicants were proposing to resite the proposed dog walking area. He still has the same concerns as for the previous siting of the dog walking area. Members were concerned that with the new site being adjacent to the highway the floodlights would be a dangerous distraction to drivers on the B4380.

Second member of the public spoke on the CIL monies that Atcham Parish Council are receiving from Shropshire Council. He believes that Atcham Parish Council is not receiving enough from the CIL Pot. He said that Berrington Parish Council had half the number of houses but had received much more in CIL monies. He had asked the question at Shropshire Council but they had not replied to him. He was going to return to the meeting in January for answers to these questions. The clerk will follow this matter up.

Standing Orders were reinstated.

5. Confirmation and acceptance of the minutes of the meeting in September & October 2021. It was agreed that these were a true and accurate record of the meetings. Proposed by Councillor S Shedden, seconded by Councillor L Dixon.
6. Clerk to report on matters arising not covered on the agenda, The clerk had received an e-mail from a resident who had been the victim of a Road Traffic Accident within the village. She was concerned that the white lines had worn so much they were no longer visible. She asked the council to report this to Shropshire Council. Members agreed but were reluctant for Shropshire Council to re paint the white lines when the roads were in such a poor state or repair. They wanted the road repaired first. The Chairman had spoken to the lady in question and they thought that it may have been someone "casing" the area due to the speed at which it drove off. The incident was captured on CCTV and has been reported to the Police.
7. The clerk went on to explain a new initiative being launched by The West Midlands Police Force as part of the new Policing Charter. This initiative is called Neighbourhood matters and can access via the Neighbourhood matters website. It is for everyone who wishes to sign up to it, you then receive alerts direct to your phone on for example break-ins, mobile phone scams etc. For more information, please check out the <https://www.neighbourhoodmatters.co.uk/> website
8. Shropshire Councillors report. Councillor Wild reported that The National Trust in conjunction with Alastair Home Roberts is intending to plant a Community Orchard at Brompton. It will be planted with 100 Cider Apple Trees. They have arranged for children from Conover School and also Cressage School to plant some these trees on 9/10 February 2022. They are also hoping to have a community day for residents to assist with the planting. The clerk to contact Bob Thurston to ask if he would allow the details and map to be posted on the Parish Councils website.
9. Council to discuss the merits of a defibrillator within the village. After a discussion members agreed that they would like to progress this matter and asked the clerk to write to the Malthouse Committee for permission to put the defibrillator in the porch where it would be accessible 24/7. Proposed by Councillor

S Shedden, seconded by Councillor L Dixon and agreed by all members present. The clerk was asked to see what if any grants are available for this.

10. Council to discuss the Queens Platinum Jubilee 2022. Members discussed possible ways of commemorating this historic event. The Charman suggested that we look into the possibility of naming the road between Crosshouses and Atcham Queen Elizabeth Road/Way. They also spoke of placing a bench on the grassy area at the end of the lane with a plaque on it. Members were also asked to think what else they thought that the residents might like to do between now and the January meeting in 2022

11. Highways Matters;

- Council Lights on Atcham bridge. The clerk and Shropshire Councillor have chased this matter up and are waiting more information.
- Council to discuss the footpath clearing from Emstrey roundabout to The Homestead Farm and from Attingham Park through to Tern Bridge Clerk to request a date when this may be done.
- Road repairs in Atcham still not complete, Clerk & Shropshire Councillor Wild to chase these up
- Road repairs locally are not being done. Clerk and Shropshire Councillor to chase these up.
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12. Planning Matters;

a) Clerk to report on previous applications to report on previous applications

- Reference: 21/03784/FUL (validated: 03/08/2021)
Address: Berwick New House Barns, Berwick Wharf, Shrewsbury, Shropshire
Proposal: Construction of an accessible gravel access path from the new barn conversions at Berwick New House into Attingham park woodland Permission Granted
- Reference: 21/03320/FUL (validated: 05/07/2021)
Address: 30 Easthope Way, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY2 6JG
Proposal: Erection of two storey front extension to provide ground floor bedroom and wet room Permission Granted.
- Reference:21/04309/FUL (Validated 6th September 2021)
Address: Proposed Residential Barn Conversions East of Atcham Grange, Atcham, Shrewsbury, Shropshire
Proposal: Conversion of traditional barns into 5 dwellings, demolition of stables, erection of recycling / refuse store, and re-siting of agricultural building Application *Withdrawn 2 November 2021*
- Reference: 21/04470/VAR
Address: Proposed Residential Development Land to the East of Passey Close, Shrewsbury
Proposal: Variation of Condition 2 attached to planning permission 19/02720/Ful dated 26 March 2021 Application withdrawn 14th October 2021 Pending Consideration
- Reference: 21/04331/FUL (validated: 28/09/2021)
Address: Proposed Dog Walking Facility at Emstrey Bank, Emstrey, Atcham, Shropshire
Proposal: Installation of a fenced, safe dog walking facility with car parking area including change of use of land Pending Consideration
- Reference: 21/21/04641/FUL (validated: 08/10/2021)
Address: Poppy Cottage, Emstrey Bank, Emstrey, Atcham, SY5 6QP
Proposal: Erection of single storey side and rear extensions Pending Consideration

b) Council to consider new applications.

At this time there are no new applications

However, it was brought to the Councils attention that an amended siting had been added to application 21/04331/FUL.

This was now to be considered in a different place altogether and the Parish Council had received no official notification of this change of siting.

The Parish Council agreed that even with the amended siting they still opposed the application for the reasons already given plus they were concerned that the floodlights on the area would cause a dangerous distraction to the drivers of vehicles along the B4380. Proposed Councillor L Dixon, seconded by Councillor C Wildblood and agreed by all members present

13. Finance

- a) Council to pay the accounts as presented by the clerk It was agreed to pay the accounts as presented by the clerk. Proposed by Councillor S Shedden seconded by Councillor S Adney and agreed by all members present.

S/O	Staff	Salary	302.30
BGC	R Hutchinson	Grass cutting	165.00
BGC	HMRC	PAYE	73.20
BGC	Staff	Expenses	98.57
	total payment for the month		639.07

- b) Council to accept the Bank Reconciliation for October 2021 as presented by the clerk It was agreed to accept the Bank reconciliation as presented by the clerk. Proposed by Councillor S Adney, seconded by Councillor S Shedden and agreed by all members present.
- c) Members agreed to pay an additional invoice for the solar light that had been erected on The Glebe which came in after the financial papers had been sent out to members. It was agreed to pay this invoice of £2,818.80p
- d) Councillors to receive financial paperwork in preparation for Budget setting in January 2022. This was not yet available and would be sent to members before January.

14. Parish Matters

- Councillors to report any matters not covered on agenda for discussion only.
- Councillor Wildblood reported that the tree at the end of The Glebe needed trimming. Clerk to ask the Groundsman to do this.

15. Date and time of next meeting; It was agreed that this would be held on Wednesday 12th January 2022

16. The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 8.20pm