

NASH PARISH COUNCIL

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Attendees: Bob Young, Clare Morris, Louise Roberts, Peter Stubbs, Charlie Pinckney, Jane Harris.
Also Present, Stuart Lapper and Val Smith

1. Apologies:

Councillor Richard Huffer (by-election duties); Sue Jones (sick leave)

2. Declarations of Interest:

None

3. Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 27th June 2019.

The minutes of the meeting held on 27th June were approved. Proposed by Peter Stubbs,
Seconded by Louise Roberts.

4. Matters arising:

Item 7 Parish Council Maps

Stuart Lapper explained that the Clerk had applied for an Ordnance Survey public sector mapping agreement (PSM) and once received, Stuart will proceed with obtaining this free to access mapping service to acquire hard copy maps of a sufficient scale to identify all buildings in the Parish to support the proposed Parish Plan consultation process.

Item 9 – Use of Knowle Sports Notice Board

Audrey Taylor has approved use of Knowle Sports Notice Board by the Parish Council.
It was agreed that we would make a small contribution to its maintenance.

Item 10 – Planning

Planning Application 19/02565/FUL has been withdrawn

Item 11 – CIL Release of infrastructure Funds

Our priorities for such investment as might become available are to be determined through our Parish Plan process.

Item 12 – Highway Items (and Burford Planning Meeting 08/07/2019) .

It was agreed that the Chair should write to Steve Davenport, Shropshire Council Portfolio Holder for Highways re the ongoing problems with the B4214 Clee Hill Road, in particular surface condition, drainage, traffic speed and the need for major works to the Knowle hairpin bends.

Charlie Pinckney was commended for providing the Chair of Burford PC with his critique of the Sanctuary Housing Association proposals for 33 homes adjacent to the Aspire Centre in Burford. The planning application has yet to be resolved but the issues raised underline the need for the proposed Tenbury/Burford Neighbourhood Plan to be speedily progressed and adopted.

Item 13 - Housing Survey and Parish Survey

The Chair reported that he and the Clerk had been seeking to get Shropshire's agreement to print and dispatch the Nash Parish Survey along with the Shropshire Housing Needs Survey with both being returned to the same address but with separately labelled returned postage paid envelopes; on the basis that we are recharged for the printing and postage.

The meeting endorsed the Chair's action.

5. Chairman's Items:

Meeting with Vicky Turner at Shire Hall, Shrewsbury, 5th August 2019

The Parish Survey and Housing Needs Survey mail out was discussed (see item 13 above)

We were advised that Malvern Hills District Council should have consulted Nash in 2015 in connection with the initiation of the Tenbury/Burford Neighbourhood Plan though Shropshire's attachment of Nash to the Cleobury Place Plan area rather than the Ludlow/Burford Place Plan area is equally unhelpful.

We have already indicated to Shropshire Council the geographical incongruity of attaching Nash to the Cleobury Mortimer Place Plan area rather than to the Ludlow/Burford Place Plan area.

It was agreed that the Parish Council should make a formal representation to Shropshire Council to have Nash transferred to the Ludlow Place Plan area to reflect that fact that Nash residents look to Tenbury Wells/Burford and Ludlow rather than Cleobury Mortimer for their shopping, services, schools and employment.

South Shropshire Area Committee, Craven Arms, 5th September 2019

The minutes will be produced in due course however the main item of business was a presentation by Councillor Gwilym Butler, portfolio holder for Communities, Place Planning and Regulatory Services which focussed on the rural investment deficit vis a vis the resources available to cities and towns and the need for the House of Lord's Committee's Rural Strategy recommendations (rejected by the May government) to be adopted and incorporated in the next local government 4 year spending round. The recently published "Village Survival Guide" was commended to Parish Councils and we received a presentation from APT, an arm's length agency of Telford and Wrekin Council which offers a range of services to local councils.

Tenbury Town Council Meeting, Tenbury Wells, 9th September 2019

A very full agenda with a comprehensive update from WM Constabulary on vandalism, arson, joyriding and brawling in Tenbury and the range of successful interventions including Section 59 impounding of boy racers vehicles.

Concerns were expressed about delays in pavement reinstatement by utilities and dangerous parking around the Tesco access but on a positive note a major refurbishment of the Pavilion was approved and a meeting to move the Neighbourhood Plan forward was agreed.

6. Financial Items

No financial items this month.

7. Parish Website and Facebook Page

There was a discussion on the utility of the website and on feedback that had been received together with proposals for improvement. The shorter url link www.nashpc.org.uk is now operational.

Stuart Lapper will create parish email addresses for each councillor to publish on the website: this will save the need to personal addresses to be published.

Our use of social media behoves us to adopt an appropriate social media policy in line with the responsibilities of a Parish Council and the requirements of General Data Protection Regulation. The draft model policy document supplied by SALC for our consideration was discussed.

It was agreed to adopt the SALC model Social Media Policy; Proposed by Jane Harris; Seconded by Charlie Pinckney.

It was agreed that new images are needed for the website so a Nash Parish Council photo competition was proposed.

It was agreed that Clare Morris would organise the competition and Charlie Pinckney offered a bottle of Pinckney's Gin as a prize for the overall winner.

Charlie Pinckney repeated his call for the creation of a local vision which would be presented on the website. In his view the local enterprise economy is very buoyant around the drinks industry ie, local breweries, gin distilleries etc – such as Chase Drinks, Ludlow Brewery. This could make the area more attractive to visitors, and businesses, which in turn will bring more jobs. This should be encapsulated and presented in the vision for Nash/Tenbury/Ludlow.

8. Parish Plan

The Questionnaire commissioned at the Parish Council meeting on 27th June and developed in consultation with Parish Councillors and with the consultees who came forward at the Annual Parish Meeting and which can be viewed online at survey.nashpc.org.uk. was discussed.

It was agreed that there should be no age limit for the survey and that the survey as drafted be approved for printing and on line access subject to a new introduction being drafted by the Chair and the Parish Survey's printing and distribution along with the Shropshire Housing Needs Survey.

It was agreed that a report on the survey's findings be prepared for posting on the Parish Council's website and the report and feedback form the basis of a report to the November 21st Parish Council meeting recommending a programme of community engagement to commence early in the New Year in line with the Shropshire Council "Community – Led Planning Guide".

9. Planning Items

No new planning applications had been received:

10. Unitary Councillor Report

In Richard Huffer's absence, there was no report.

11. Highway Items

Louise Roberts was concerned that some workmen were filling in the sides of the road near the hall recently – not exactly clear what they were doing. The tarmac surface has completely deteriorated between Whatmore Court and the turn to Tilsop. When Louise had driven around with Richard Huffer they noticed that the last heavy rain had left a lot of water lying on the road, especially near the turn to Hartall and it was clear that ditches need clearing. Could the Parish

Council commission local contractors, such as the Beaumonts to clear the ditches? We understood that we had both the powers and budgetary scope to undertake such work but should first approach Shropshire Highways to deal with the matter as the issues concerned their adopted highways.

It was agreed that a detailed schedule of our highway and ditch concerns be drawn up together with photographs and sent to Shropshire Highways with a request that they put in hand the necessary work before the winter.

12. AOB

- In the ongoing absence of the Parish Clerk on sick leave, Bob Young will hand over to Peter Stubbs this weekend. In Peter's absence the nominated recipient of council enquiries will be Charlie Pinckney (phone number and contact details to be put on website).
- Shropshire Association of Local Councils had invited responses on the following:

Should permitted development rights apply to an increase in the width of ground based masts and the height of new masts? Whilst recognising the need to enhance communications in rural areas in particular, **it was agreed** that each application should require planning approval and be dealt with on its merits.

- Councillor Richard Huffer had offered to stand down from the Parish Council in order to allow the appointment of a further local resident whilst continuing to attend meetings as our local Shropshire Councillor. It was proposed by Charlie Pinckney and seconded by Louise Roberts that upon receipt of Richard's resignation, Stuart Lapper be co-opted to serve as a Parish Councillor from the November meeting of the Council. **This was agreed** unanimously.

The Council approved a vote of thanks to Stuart Lapper for his sterling work on the website, survey and Face Book page.

The Council wished the Chair to convey their very good wishes to our Clerk, Sue Jones, for a speedy recovery.

13. Date of Next Meeting - 21st November 2019