

Atcham Parish Council

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MINUTES

1. Chairman's welcome, the chairman welcomed all to the meeting
2. Present; Councillor C Wildblood –Chairman; Councillor C Morris-Vice-Chairman; Councillor J Caswell, Councillor A Home-Roberts, Shropshire Councillor C Wild, and L Pardoe clerk to the council. Apologies were received from Councillor R Trow who had a prior commitment, Councillor S Shedden who was recovering from an operation. These were approved by the Council.
3. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest. Councillor C Morris declared an interest in application 19/05568/FUL
4. Public Session. There were no members of the public present
5. Confirmation and acceptance of the minutes of the meeting on Wednesday 8th January 2020. It was agreed that these were a true and accurate record of the meeting. Proposed by Councillor J Caswell, seconded by Councillor C Wild and agreed by all members present.
6. Clerk had nothing to report all items were covered on the agenda
7. Shropshire Councillors report. Councillor C Wild reported that the Coronavirus would probably get worse before it gets better. Hand washing is important .She gave out some posters from Shropshire Council to display on public notice boards. In the cases of the recent flooding the National Trust and Shropshire Council worked well to alleviate the situation at Atcham and Berwick Wharf.
8. Police Report; circulated to members electronically.
 - Councillor Shedden to report on Community Speedwatch. Councillor S Shedden was unable to be present and report to members.
9. Highways Matters;
 - Clerk to update on trees on the side of the B4380. The clerk has followed this up and been assured that the trees will be dealt with. Councillor C Morris reported that during the recent floods and storms more had broken off one of the trees and fortunately had not fall onto the road.
 - Clerk & Chairman had met with Jason Hughes from Shropshire Council to talk about the re-instating of the lights on the Atcham Bridge. Jason assured the Chairman and Clerk that this was Shropshire Councils responsibility and as such they would be looking at getting it done. He explained that they would need to drill some trial holes to see if the bolts that were holding the lights were still sound .Regulations state that lights have to be filled in between lighting sections over a certain length. He thought that the gap would mean that they would need to be re-instated. However if the cost would be prohibitive he would then have to make a report to the Cabinet to get agreement for the lights to be re-instated.
 - The footpath that the Parish Council is trying to get cleared of grass overgrowing and restricting its width is part of the Severn Way and needs to be kept free from weeds and available for walkers and cyclists .Clerk to chase this up with Steve Brown.
10. Planning Matters;
 - a) Clerk to report on previous applications
 - Reference: 19/02720/FUL; Land east of Passey Close; Awaiting decision
 - b) Council to consider new applications. At the time of writing the agenda there are no new applications.
 - Reference: 20/00372/VAR
 - Address: Whitecroft, Weeping Cross ,Crosshouses
 - Proposal: Variation of Conditions2 (approved plans) attached to Planning Application Reference:19/03926/FUL dated 7November 2019.After discussion it was agreed that

the Parish Council would offer no comment to this application. Proposed by Councillor C Morris, seconded by Councillor J Caswell and agreed by all members present.

Councillor C Morris left the room at this point

- Reference:19/05568/FUL
- Address: Berwick New House Farm, Berwick Wharf, Shrewsbury
- Proposal: Conversion of redundant Farm Buildings into 5 Holiday accommodation Units to include landscaping. After discussion it was agreed that the Parish Council would offer no comment to this application. Proposed by councillor C Wildblood, seconded by Councillor A Home-Roberts and agreed by all members present.

Councillor C Morris returned to the meeting at this point

11. 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 A Home-Roberts .seconded by Councillor C Morris and agreed by all members present

760	HMRC	PAYE	57.40
761	Atcham Memorial Hall	Rent	30.00
762	Staff	Administration	83.05
S/O	Staff	Salary	186.21
763	Staff	office supplies	30.77
		total	387.43

- b) Council to accept the Bank Reconciliation for February 2020 as presented by the clerk. It was agreed to accept the Bank reconciliation as presented by the clerk. Proposed by Councillor A Home-Roberts .seconded by Councillor C Morris and agreed by all members present.
- c) Council to consider any grant applications received. There were no applications for grants to consider.

12. Correspondence-to be circulated to members

13. Parish Matters

- Councillor C Wildblood asked Councillor C Wild if it would be possible to have wheelie bins for the recycling instead of the bins which leave stuff blowing around.

14. Date and time of next meeting; it was agreed that this would be held on Wednesday 11th May 2020.starting at 7.30pm at the Old Malthouse Memorial Hall.

15. Date and time of Annual Parish Meeting: It was agreed that this would be held on Wednesday 11th May 2020 starting at 7.00pm at The Old Malthouse Memorial Hall.

16. The chairman thanked all for attending and closed the meeting at 20.30pm