

**THE MINUTES OF A MEETING OF RUSHBURY PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 20 MAY 2019 FOLLOWING THE AGM IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM, RUSHBURY VILLAGE HALL**

1 parishioner attended.

**2403. APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Councillors G Gough, M Pye, A Richards and Shropshire Councillor Mrs C Motley.

**2404. PRESENT**

Councillor M McFarland - Chairman, Councillors P Bodimeade, T Flashman, Mrs S Madeley, Dr C Stevenson.

**2405. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

None.

**2406. MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING ON 18 MARCH 2019**

**Councillor Mrs S Madeley proposed and Councillor Dr C Stevenson seconded that the minutes of the meeting held on 18 March 2019 be adopted and it was resolved that the Chairman sign these as a true record.**

**2407. MINUTES OF ANNUAL PARISH MEETING ON 15 APRIL 2019**

Following discussion, it was agreed to defer approval of these minutes to a later meeting.

**2408. CO-OPTION OF NEW COUNCILLOR**

It was agreed to extend invitation to Victoria Smith to join the council as a co-opted member.

**2409. CHAIRMAN'S/CLERK'S NOTES**

2409a. **Longville Arms:** No update or response received from Shropshire Council.

2409b. **Wall-under-Heywood Speed Limits:** The Chairman is in contact with Shropshire Council seeking the removal of the original 30mph sign following the installation of new signs in different locations.

2409c. **Great British Spring Clean:** The efforts of the Young Farmers in their clean up exercise on 27 March was noted and much appreciated.

**Action 1: Clerk to send note of thanks to Young Farmers.**

2409d. **Shropshire Council Bring Bank Withdrawal:** It was noted that the bring banks had been removed from outside the Village Hall. There had been a recent case of fly-tipping and Ms Lippitt's efforts in the removal of the rubbish were appreciated. Future cases of fly-tipping to be reported to Shropshire Council.

2409e. **Parish Council Policies and Procedures:** The Clerk advised councillors that further documents would be presented at future meetings to ensure that the Council were fully up to date with documentation requirements.

2409f. **London Bridge Protocol:** The Clerk advised that a couple of actions remained outstanding to ensure all communications were covered. These would be addressed prior to the next meeting.

2409g. **Shropshire Council Consultation on Proposed Changes to Travel Assistance for SEND Nursery and Post16 Students:** No responses had been provided to Shropshire Council and the consultation period now closed.

2409h. **Healthwatch Shropshire campaign to help local people have their say in the future of the NHS in Shropshire:** The notices previously put up on the Notice Boards have been removed.

## 2410. **CORRESPONDENCE**

### **Items Requiring A Decision**

2410a. **Helicopter Noise Liaison Group:** Shropshire Council had contacted the Clerk to check on the level of interest in the meetings and minutes produced from this group. Councillors agreed that interest be maintained with attendance at meetings as appropriate.

### **Action 2: Clerk to reply to Shropshire Council.**

2410b. **Environmental Maintenance Grant Review:** SALC have been requested by Mark Barrow of Shropshire Council to check on satisfaction levels with the current system and to receive improvement ideas. Councillors had shared previous concerns with Shropshire Council when their grant monies were returned due to health and safety and liability concerns and it was agreed that no further views be expressed at this time. The Clerk will monitor developments and update the Councillors as appropriate.

2410c. **Broadband Concerns:** Councillor Dr C Stevenson advised that he raised concerns at the Church Stretton Place Plan meeting on 30 April leading to the letter from Shropshire Council seeking details. Views expressed on differing levels of performance across the parish and cases where parishioners had switched to SWS to seek improvement. Performance level expectations were not clear to enable considered feedback. The Clerk will contact Shropshire Council to seek more guidance on provision of service.

### **Action 3: Clerk to respond to Shropshire Council.**

2410d. **'Do Not Knock' Stickers Offer:** The offer of free stickers from Able Community Care was considered. It was agreed that the offer should not be taken up at this time.

2410e. **'We Don't Buy Crime' – Leading From the Front Initiative:** The merits of the initiative being led by the Police & Crime Commissioner for West Mercia were considered. It was agreed that this initiative should not be followed up at this time.

2410f. **Rural Crime Prevention Evenings:** Advice of the organisation of two Rural Crime Prevention Evenings with the attendance of West Mercia Police was noted. Meetings scheduled for 25 June at Shipton Village Hall and 27 June at Church Preen Village Hall with 7:30pm starts. It was noted that attendance at these meetings was important and the Clerk to provide reminders of these dates and locations nearer the time.

### **Action 4: Clerk to issue reminders of the two meetings nearer the time.**

2410g. **VE Day 75 – 8 May 2020:** Advice of the planned events in May 2020 by the Armed Forces Charity was considered. Invitation to register interest was noted but it was agreed to defer this for further discussion at a future meeting.

### **Other Correspondence**

2410h. **Telford Auto Club Rally Through Rushbury:** The Clerk updated councillors on the feedback to safety concerns raised by a parishioner on the event held on 23/24 March. Whilst these were noted the general feedback had been positive towards the rally and that no issues had to date occurred that necessitated concerns being raised with the organisers.

2410i. **Community Infrastructure Levy – Local Fund:** The Clerk noted the recent amount of correspondence from Shropshire Council on the Levy and potential scope for change. These would continue to be monitored.

2411. **COUNCILLORS REPORTS**

Due to apologies from Shropshire Councillor Mrs C Motley no report was available.

2412. **PLANNING**

**Details of following Planning Applications have been received:**

2412a. 19/01617/FUL: Rose Cottage, Stoneacton, Church Stretton, Shropshire, SY6 7HL

Proposal: Erection of extensions and alterations to existing dwelling

**Decision: Councillors have no objection to this application. Previously confirmed by email as response time period closed prior to meeting.**

2412b. 19/01773/FUL: Longville Farm, Longville In The Dale, Much Wenlock, Shropshire, TF13 6DS

Proposal: Erection of a Fodder and Storage Building

**Decision: Councillors have no objection to this application.**

2412c. 19/02034/FUL: Upper Stanway, Rushbury, Church Stretton, Shropshire, SY6 7EF

Proposal: Change of Use of first floor storage space into holiday accommodation

**Decision: Councillors have no objection to this application.**

**Planning Permission has been granted to:**

2412d. 18/05850/FUL: Sycamores, Wall Under Heywood, Church Stretton, Shropshire, SY6 7DR

Proposal: Erection of two storey extension to side elevation

2412e. 18/05872/FUL: Gilberries Grove, Gilberries Lane, Wall Under Heywood, Church Stretton, Shropshire, SY6 7HZ

Proposal: Erection of two storey rear extensions, single storey rear extension, single storey end extension, internal alterations and 2NO porches

2413. **PARISH COUNCIL INSURANCE REVIEW**

The Clerk advised councillors of the outcome of the parish council insurance review. Contact had been made with BHIB Insurance Brokers identified through NALC. Whilst the existing insurers, Zurich Municipal, had advised a renewal premium of £555.17 BHIB sourced an alternative quote from Aviva of £454.64. It was also noted that use of the three-year long-term agreement would reduce the premium to £431.91.

Councillor P Bodimeade proposed and Councillor Dr C Stevenson seconded that the cover be switched to Aviva with the utilisation of the three-year long-term agreement and payment made by 1 June.

**Resolved: The Council accept the BHIB quote from Aviva and take up the three-year long-term agreement.**

**Action 5: Clerk to implement the switch of cover and effect payment by 1 June.**

2414. **FINANCIAL REPORT**

2414a. **Banking**

Community Account at 02.05.19 £7,748.60

Deposit Account on 01.05.19 £1,634.90

Transfer of £6,000 made from Community Account to Deposit Account on 5 May resulting in Community Account balance of £1,748.60 and Deposit Account balance of £7,634.90.

2414b. **To pay**

Cardiac Science	£228.00 (Ratification)
Sodexo (9900461592)	£126.26 (Ratification)
SALC (196 – Training)	£70.00 (Ratification)
SALC (199 – Membership)	£282.15 (Ratification)
Crucial Crew	£40.00
Rushbury Village Hall (March 2019)	£13.00
Rushbury Village Hall (April 2019)	£13.00
Sodexo (9900467712)	£130.06
Grahame Hurst (Internal Audit)	£75.00
Jason Gough Computing Services Ltd	£3.60

**Resolved: Councillor P Bodimeade proposed and Councillor T Flashman seconded that these payments be noted and made.**

2415. **PARISH PLAN UPDATE**

Councillor Dr C Stevenson advised councillors of his attendance at the Church Stretton Place Plan meeting on 30 April. The notes to the meeting are awaited and it was agreed that discussion be deferred to the next meeting.

Dr C Stevenson summarised the key elements that should be considered in the preparation and execution of a parish plan update and housing needs survey. The question of capacity within the council was considered as well as funding. It was agreed that time should be allowed to ensure delivery of an effective plan update. The Clerk recalled that Ms Vicky Turner is assisting Mrs C Motley in the initiatives across the parishes for plan updates to be in place and he would contact her to see if any guidance could be provided from experiences to date.

The Clerk proposed to contact Ms Maria Howell at Shropshire Council to identify the scope for funding and support.

**Action 6: Clerk to contact Ms Vicky Turner.**

**Action 7: Clerk to contact Ms Maria Howell.**

2416. **FOOTBRIDGE AT CHURCH FARM**

Councillor Mrs S Madeley shared photographs taken of the footbridge to identify potential scale of repairs. Repairs may not be as extensive as previously thought but further discussions will continue with landowners and structural engineer to identify repairs required and how best to implement these.

2417. **VILLAGE HALL**

The Chairman advised that he awaits feedback from Shropshire Council on the potential for tied housing linked to the Hall to support case for housing full time caretaker. No issues have been raised in relation to the discussion points between the councillors and Village Hall Committee on 5 April.

It was noted that the replacement to Councillor Mrs S Madeley on the Village Hall Committee requires to be in place for the Hall AGM on 25 June. Clarity on the role

requirements is required and the Clerk will work with Councillor Mrs S Madeley to document these in advance of next meeting.

**Action 8: Clerk to document role responsibilities for Village Hall Committee representative.**

**2418. MILLENNIUM GREEN AND PLAYGROUND**

Councillor Mrs S Madeley advised councillors of the application for grant monies from Calor Gas Rural Community Fund. It was noted that at least £14,000 is required within next one to two years to enable the playground equipment to be maintained.

**2419. ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING'S AGENDA**

Councillor Responsibilities

Meeting closed at 10:30pm.

2019 Further Meeting Dates

17 June, 15 July, 16 September, 21 October, 18 November