

THE MINUTES OF A MEETING OF RUSHBURY PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 15 NOVEMBER 2021 AT 7:30PM IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM, RUSHBURY VILLAGE HALL

2750. PLANNING

Councillors noted the Declarations of Interest received in advance of the meeting from Councillors T Flashman and A Richards in relation to application 21/04954/FUL proposing the barn conversion west of The Manor, East Wall. In the absence of Councillors T Flashman and A Richards, Councillors considered the application.

Following consideration of the proposal Councillors in attendance raised no objections to the application.

At 7:45pm, Councillors T Flashman and A Richards joined the meeting.

There being no parishioners present the meeting commenced at 7:50pm.

2751. APOLOGIES

Apologies received from Councillors G Gough (vacation), M McFarland (ill health) and M Pye (work commitment). Apologies noted and accepted.

2752. PRESENT

Councillor Dr C Stevenson - Chairman, Councillors P Bodimeade, A Dixon, T Flashman, Ms A Henderson, A Richards, and Shropshire Councillor Mrs C Motley (part).

Clerk C Maclean.

2753. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Prior Declarations of Interest received and noted from Councillors T Flashman and A Richards in relation to Agenda item 9i. (21/04594/FUL)

2754. MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING ON 18 OCTOBER 2021

Councillor P Bodimeade proposed and Councillor A Dixon seconded that the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 18 October 2021 be adopted and it was resolved that the Chairman sign these as a true record.

2755. CHAIRMAN'S/CLERK'S NOTES

Councillor Dr C Stevenson advised Councillors that there was no information or updates to report from the Chair. No items had been referred by Councillor M McFarland for the attention of the Councillors.

The Clerk advised Councillors that the topics of Speed Indicator Devices and Smartwater kits had been included in the Agenda.

Councillors noted the discussions at the previous meeting where the opportunities to enhance working relationships with adjoining parish councils were considered. Councillors agreed that opportunities should be considered and further progress on these should be encouraged on the return of Councillor M McFarland.

Councillor T Flashman expressed his concerns over the increasing evidence of potholes within the parish.

2756. **CORRESPONDENCE**

None received.

2757. **COUNCILLOR CODE OF CONDUCT**

Councillors considered the terms of the Local Government Association Model Councillor Code of Conduct 2020. It was noted that these were being adopted by Councillors of both Shropshire Council and Telford & Wrekin Council.

Councillor P Bodimeade proposed and Councillor Dr C Stevenson seconded that the LGA Councillor Code of Conduct be adopted and it was resolved that this be adopted as of this meeting.

At 8:19pm, Shropshire Councillor Mrs C Motley joined the meeting.

2758. **SHROPSHIRE COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

Shropshire Councillor Mrs C Motley advised Councillors of the following:

- 2758a. **Central Budget:** Uncertainty remains over the allocations possible due to the lack of detail from Central Government, Latest advice had been received that the numbers would be available from Central Government following the North Shropshire bye election.
- 2758b. **Parish and Town Council Boundary Review:** The reviews required in relation to towns and parish boundaries alongside ward boundaries show a level of interlinks. A cross party team of Councillors within Shropshire Council is considering potential recommendations to be made to the Local Boundary Review Office.
- 2758c. **Communities Budget:** Shropshire Council was considering cuts to the Community Budget but negotiations are ongoing to prevent this.
- 2758d. **Enhanced Working Relationships Between Parishes:** It was understood that some discussions had been taking place between the Chairmen of Rushbury and Eaton Under Heywood/Hope Bowdler Parish Councils.
- 2758e. **South Shropshire Remembrance Park:** It was noted that whilst a grant decision had been provided by the Southern Planning Committee to the proposed extension of the remembrance park, no formal decision had been communicated by Shropshire Council. The Clerk agreed he would make enquiries.

2759. **TOWNS AND PARISH GOVERNANCE AND BOUNDARY REVIEWS**

Councillors noted that this topic had been covered within the points raised by Shropshire Councillor Mrs C Motley.

2760. **PLANNING**

Planning Application received for:

- 2760a. 21/04954/FUL (validated 28/10/2021): Proposed Barn Conversion West of The Manor, East Wall, Shropshire

Proposal: Conversion of existing barn into 1no dwelling including demolition of redundant agricultural buildings and alterations to existing access

Decision: No objections raised by Councillors

- 2760b. **Planning Decisions**

Ref:21/04321/TPO: Stanway Manor, Rushbury, Church Stretton, Shrops, SY6 7EF

Proposal: To sectional fell 1no Ash tree protected by The Council of the South Shropshire District Council, (Stanway Manor & Estate Rushbury) TPO 1978
Decision: Grant Permission

2761. FINANCIAL REPORT

2761a. **Current Finances:** Councillors noted the balances on the Council's account.

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| Community Account at 02.11.2021 | £489.68 |
| Deposit Account at 01.11.2021 | £7,550.67 |

2761b. **Invoices to Pay November**

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| Tivoli Group Limited (SLINV/00032438) | £139.32 |
| Jason Gough Computing Services Ltd (118225) | £3.60 |
| Clerk Salary | £250.00 |

2761c. **Invoices to Pay December**

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| Tivoli Group Limited (TBA) | £139.32 |
| Jason Gough Computing Services Ltd (TBA) | £3.60 |
| Clerk Salary | £250.00 |

Councillor A Dixon proposed, Councillor P Bodimeade seconded and it was resolved that the November payments be made and the December payments made when due.

2761d. **Millennium Green and Playground Insurance**

Councillors noted that the insurance cover was due for renewal end December and that details of this would follow when received.

2762. 2022/2023 EXPENDITURE AND PRECEPT

The Clerk advised Councillors that details were still being finalised for presentation. Proposals would be provided to Councillors to enable agreement to be made on the level of Precept at the next meeting.

2763. COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

2763a. **Village Hall Update**

Councillors noted that a meeting of the Village Hall Committee was expected early in the next month.

2763b. **Millennium Green and Playground Update**

No update provided. Councillors noted that the tennis net was still in place in the Ball Court but was expected to be removed in the near future for the winter period.

2764. PARISH MATTERS

2764a. **Parish Plan and Home Survey**

Councillors considered the merits of refreshing the Parish Plan and Home Survey. Following discussion, Councillors agreed that these should be formally considered in the coming months and that a sub-group of Councillors could discuss the options to kick start the initiative. .

2764b. **Website**

The Clerk confirmed that this would be reviewed to ensure it was fully up to date to reflect recent changes in Council membership.

2765. ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING'S AGENDA

- a) Budget and Precept
- b) Parish Plan

- c) Items to be advised to Clerk in advance of meeting.

2766. **DATES OF FURTHER MEETINGS**

17 January 2022

21 March 2022

17 March 2022

Meeting closed at 9:22pm.