

THE MINUTES OF A MEETING OF RUSHBURY PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 24 AUGUST 2020 AT 8:15PM VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS VIRTUAL REMOTE PLATFORM

2568. APOLOGIES

Apologies received from Councillors T Flashman, G Gough and Shropshire Councillor Mrs C Motley.

2569. PRESENT

Councillor M McFarland - Chairman, Councillors P Bodimeade, Mrs S Madeley, M Pye, A Richards, Mrs V Smith and Dr C Stevenson. Clerk C Maclean.

2570. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

None declared.

2571. MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING ON 20 JULY 2020

Councillor Dr C Stevenson proposed and Councillor M Pye seconded that the minutes of the meeting held on 20 July 2020 be adopted and it was resolved that the Chairman sign these as a true record.

2572. SHROPSHIRE COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

In the absence of Councillor Mrs C Motley, Councillor M McFarland advised Councillors of an incident of alleged unwelcome behaviour from a representative of Shropshire Council with the owners of a local business.

2573. DRAFT LOCAL PLAN

Councillor Dr C Stevenson noted with Councillors the draft local plan issued by Shropshire Council contained no issues of concern in relation to the parish. No further action considered necessary.

Councillors also noted the publication of the Government White Paper on the new Planning Consultation which closes in October. It was agreed this should be considered at the next meeting to identify whether any comment is required.

Whilst there was some concern over the potential delegation of responsibilities to Town and Parish Councils it was noted that this does not appear to apply in relation to planning matters. Concerns were also noted about the future of planning consultations and the lack of affordable housing allocations, especially in developments, and how these may be funded in the future.

Councillors shared continued concerns over the development of single site exception affordable homes in the parish and Councillors considered it appropriate that some recent developments be reviewed.

2574. FINANCE

2574a. Banking

Community Account at 02.082020	£92.15
Deposit Account at 01.08.2020	£6,745.81

2574b. Invoices to pay August

Sodexo (9900556221)	£135.26
Jason Gough Computing Services Ltd (115012)	£108.00

Jason Gough Computing Services Ltd (115182) £116.40

Jason Gough Computing Services Ltd (115193) £3.60

Resolved: Councillor P Bodimeade proposed and Councillor A Richards seconded that the payments be made.

2575. PARISH MATTERS

2575a. Councillor M McFarland noted the continued drainage issues outside Hotel Cottage in Longville. It was agreed the Clerk report this to Shropshire Council to have this addressed.

Action 1: Clerk to contact Shropshire Council.

2575b. Councillor M Pye advised that the Rushbury School minibus had been stolen from the school grounds. It had subsequently been found in the canal at Dudley with its engine removed. Security around the school grounds is being reviewed.

2575c. The Clerk advised of recent contact from a parishioner who was interested to learn whether it was possible to drive down a track at the top of Roman Bank towards the Millichope Estate. It was noted that access was only possible for the properties situated in the area but that clear access is available to cyclists, walkers and horse riders.

2575d. Councillor Mrs S Madeley advised that a footpath sign had been placed in the grounds close to the house at Wenlock Edge Farm to assist walkers.

2575e. Councillor Mrs V Smith advised that the Village Hall Committee were selling off the unused stock from the pop-up pub events. Details to be circulated.

2576. ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING'S AGENDA

Government White Paper on Planning Consultation

Update on road repairs at Hotel Cottage, Longville

Further items to be advised to Clerk in advance of next meeting.

2577. DATES OF 2020 MEETINGS

21 September; 19 October; 16 November

Meeting closed at 9:00pm.