

Wistanstow Parish Council

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**The Parish Council meeting held at the Village Hall , Green Room 7pm
Wednesday 23rd September 2026**

Parish Council meetings are open to the public and they may address the Council to raise any issues in the public session at the start of each meeting. 15 mins is allowed for this session.

**Simon D'Vali Traffic and Highways Delivery Manager Shropshire Council.
Will attend in the public session to answer highway/transport related questions.**

Simon D'Vali was due to attend but did not attend.

MINUTES

Present ; Andrew Carney (Chair) Andrea Minton-Beddoes , Janet Woodroffe ,Owen Jones , John Morris , Phil Powell , Paul Alderson.

**Josh Dickin Unitary Cllr
Clive Leworthy Clerk.**

23 Members of the public.

Members of the public expressed their concerns at the changes made to the 435 Bus service by operator Minsterley Motors. The service to Bushmoor /Wistanstow had been reduced drastically making it very difficult for users to access the service getting to Doctors,Hospital ,shopping etc. It presented difficulties to people of all age groups including younger people trying to access work or education etc. Walking to the A49 to catch the bus presented difficulties for some residents with safety concerns expressed about crossing the road and no proper bus shelters in place.

The Chair expressed his strong support for residents views and confirmed he had met with Minsterley Motors on two occasions to try and ensure the service was maintained without success.

Unitary Ward Cllr Josh Dickin had also met with Minsterley Motors and Shropshire Council transport team and was due to meet them again shortly where he would continue to fight for residents. He confirmed that the 435 route was a commercially operated route and therefore the operator could in fact

make changes to the timetable. He urged people to continue to email him and he would update them with any news.

Other residents raised their ongoing concerns over the Marshbrook/Horderley road following subsidence last winter some work had been done but the continued use of the road by HGV's was making the problem much worse and presenting a very real problem for houses along the route. They felt a weight limit should be put in place to prevent HGV's using the road.

Cllr Dickin advised that he had met Highways a number of times on site and would continue to press them for a better solution and appreciated the concerns of residents and other road users. He would update following more meetings with Highways.

Simon D'Vali Highways Delivery Manager had accepted an invitation to attend this meeting but did not attend.

The Chair thanked residents for attending and assured them the PC would continue to support efforts to try and resolve both issues and would support Cllr Dickin in his efforts.

- 1. Welcome - Chair**
- 2. Apologies – Nicky Kershaw Mike White**
- 3. Declaration of Interests;** Members are reminded that they must not participate in the discussion or voting on any matter in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest and should leave the room prior to the commencement of the debate. (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012 (SI 2012/1464)
NONE
- 4. Minutes – To approve the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 22nd^t July 2026.**
Prop Phil Powell 2nd John Morris APPROVED
- 5. Matters Arising from the minutes that are not included on the Agenda**
NONE
- 6. Reports -**
 - (a) Chair - Report Circulated.**
 - (b) Ward Cllr – Joshua Dickin**
Cllr Dickin reported that the drainage works had been completed in Bushmoor.
He was reporting the former Travellers Rest site to Environmental Health team.

He was in the process of setting up an online forum group for Councils along the A49 to gather concerns/issues and take them to National Highways.

7. Planning Items

(a) PLANNING REFERENCE: 26/03032/FUL DEVELOPMENT PROPOSED: Proposed agricultural portal frame building to store manure.

LOCATION: Woolston Farm, Woolston, Church Stretton, Shropshire, SY6 6QD. OS

REFERENCE: 342502 - 287169 APPLICANT: Miss L Brereton

There is also a footpath diversion Wistanstow 10 associated with the above planning application.

APPROVED.

8. Highway /Amenity /Footpath Items

a. Request for additional Mirror Woolston/Roman Rd – Shropshire Council will not fund an additional mirror. **The Clerk had requested that SAS Utilities supply and fit a new mirror.**

b. Review any Highway Issues

c. 435 Bus Service

The PC would continue to support Cllr Dickin in his efforts to resolve these issues.

9. Financial Items ;

To receive the finance reports

a. Accounts to Date – Circulated

b .Bank Balance £34,953.52

c. C.Leworthy Salary £287.58
HMRC PAYE £72.00

d. To note the national NJC Pay agreement 3.3% Increase 1st April

Prop Andrew Carney 2nd John Morris APPROVED

11. To consider any items for next meeting (not for discussion)
435 Bus Route and Horderley/Marshbrook Road would both remain on future
agendas.

Meeting Dates for 2026

Wednesday 18th November

All 7pm.

Meeting Closed 8pm.

**Clive Leworthy
Clerk to the Council.**