

**Withington Parish Council Meeting**  
**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2019**  
**at 7.30pm in the Parish Room**

**Minutes**

**14/2019 Present:**

Councillors Phil Heath (Chair) Neil Maxwell, Lesley Stone, Martin Timmis, Alan Williams, Cllr Lezley Picton (Shropshire Councillor for Tern Ward), Denise Roscoe (Clerk), Jason Jordan (Sundorne Estate Manager) and 9 members of the public

**15/2019 Welcome:** Councillor Heath welcomed everyone

**16/2019 Apologies:** No apologies received.

**17/2019 Declaration of Interest:** None to declare

**18/2019 Approval of the Minutes of 8<sup>th</sup> May 2019**

Resolved to accept the minutes as a correct record. They were signed by the Chairman

**19/2019 Introduction to Cllr Steve Davenport Portfolio Holder for Highways/Transport Shropshire Council.** Cllr Davenport did not attend the meeting. Action: Clerk to contact and make arrangements for the future.

**20/2019 Roads & Rights of Way**

Community Led Concern: Submitted to Shropshire Council February 2018 (see below) put on hold for 2 years.

- HGV's from C J Wildbird Foods and using Withington as a short cut to Upton Magna.
- Agricultural Contractors Vehicles using Withington as a "rat run" to Upton Magna Farms.
- Excessive number of field accesses onto the highway from Sandy Lane to Upton Magna causing mud to be spread along the road.

In order to solve the problems with the HGV's visiting CJ's a proposal has been put forward to Upton Magna PC asking their opinion on making the junction on Sandy Lane wider on one side thus allowing HGV's to turn right to CJ's instead of them travelling into Withington. Upton Magna PC are not in favour of this proposal as they think that the HGV's will end up in Upton Magna. Jason Jordan reported that the Sundorne Estate is willing to donate the land and work with Shropshire Council to resolve the problem.

**21/2019 Action Updates from Previous Meetings**

- Removal of field hedges in Barkers Square: Planners are looking into this.
- Damage to road verges on the Walcot Lees to Rodington Heath road. Nothing to report
- Road Signs etc. Nothing to report
- Defibrillator Awareness Sessions  
3 Awareness sessions were held in April approx. 30 attended. Looking to hold more later in year.
- Parish Plan 2018  
Cllr Gwilym Butler Portfolio holder place planning etc. After receiving a copy of our Parish Plan said in an email:  
"I am particularly impressed by the illustrative nature of the document and how it is an interesting easy read with great photography" and is using our plan as an example. Thanks to Nick Williams

**22/2019 Public Forum**

Cllr Picton said how much she had enjoyed the Summer fete. The new highways repair reporting system is being revised to ensure the correct action taken is recorded against each repair.

Minutes confirmed as correct 11<sup>th</sup> September 2019 \_\_\_\_\_

Chairman

Cllr Timmis reported that he had investigated the use and supply of “Smart Water” after seeing an article in the parish magazine. There is a scheme supplying kits via Parish Councils at a reduced price of approx. £10.95 per kit. The kits are usually £25 + Vat. Further funding may be awarded by the Police Crime Commissioner bringing the price down to £8.90 per kit. If more than 80% of residents in a village have used smart water signs saying “we don’t buy crime” are supplied to be displayed in the area. Action: Cllr Timmis and Clerk: a letter will be sent out to all parishioners in order to gauge the level of interest.

Joe Ford brought up the problems some families are having getting their children enrolled at their chosen Secondary School: Action: Joe to contact Clerk with details/

Cllr Stone mentioned that the Whitehall Medical Practice is set to be closed in September. This means that there will be only one practice in Shrewsbury that includes Withington in its catchment area that practice being Severn Fields.

## 23/2019 Finance Report

Accounts to date for the Parish Council and the Village Green

### WITHINGTON PARISH COUNCIL FINANCIAL STATEMENT As at 3 July 2019

Parish Council (Incl Defibrillator Funds)		Village Green	
Brought Forward from 08/05/2019	£8,901.86	Brought Forward from 03/07/2019	£5,961.82
Receipts since 08/05/19	£0.00	Receipts since 08/05/2019	£505.73
None	£0.00	Friends of the Green (2019/20)	£243.00
		Gift Aid Refund	£262.73
Payments Approved - 08/05/2019	£892.41	Payments Approved - 08/05/2019	£0.00
Room Hire (08/05)	£12.00	None	£0.00
Internal Audit	£30.00		
SALC Membership	£121.98		
Zurich Municipal Insurance	£257.60		
Clerk's Salary (June-19)	£470.83		
Payments made since 08/05/2019 for approval	£0.00	Payments made since 08/05/2019 for approval	£0.00
None		None	£0.00
<b>Balance Carried Forward to 08/05/2019</b>	<b>£8,009.45</b>	<b>Balance Carried Forward to 08/05/2019</b>	<b>£6,467.55</b>
Payments for approval - 08/05/2019		Payments for approval - 08/05/2019	
Room Hire (03/07)	£12.00	None	£0.00
Data Protection Fee	£40.00		
Authorisation to pay the following if within budget amount:		Authorisation to pay the following if within budget amount:	
Shropshire Council Loan Repayment	£3,470.00	Lawn Mower Maintenance	
		Hedge Cutting	

### Payments Approved at the Meeting for Both Accounts

#### All payments made since 08/05/2019

None

#### Payments to be made

£12.00 Room Hire (03/07)

£40.00 Data Protection Fee

Please note that the data protection fee may reduce to £35 as we pay by direct debit.

## 24/2019 Planning

The Rea Broiler Sheds, Upton Magna Ref 16/04965/EIA: No update. Cllr Picton reported that following the recent appeal court decision regarding the planning application for a Poultry Farm at Tasley (Bridgnorth). Shropshire Council are having to revise their consideration given to Poultry Farms and this will have a bearing on current and future Poultry Farm planning application.

**25/2019 Village Green Committee Report**

The paths will be sprayed with weed killer in the next few weeks. The Summer Fete was a great success.

**26/2019 Correspondence Received**

Assets of Community Value.

The Village Green has been accepted as an Asset of Community Value. We are waiting to hear about the Parish Room, The Church and the Hare and Hounds

**27/2019 Reports on Meetings**

In May Cllr Heath attended a meeting regarding the Shropshire Council Place Plan. Withington has been included in the Shrewsbury Rural South group. Parish Councils have been asked to update their contributions to the Place Plan. Withington submission has been revised to include concerns raised in from the Parish Plan and the "Community Led Concern". Councillors resolved to accept the changes made in the new document. Action Clerk to send to Shropshire Council.

**28/2019 Forthcoming Meetings: None**

**29/2019 Date of Next Parish Council Meeting –**

The Chairman asked to change the date of the meeting September from the 4<sup>th</sup> to the 11<sup>th</sup>. Councillors to confirm.

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Chairman