

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 9th May 2022 at 7.30pm in Hadnall Village Hall.

22/030 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN – Cllr John Harrison was elected (prop: BB, sec: AB, unanimous).

22/031 ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN – Cllr Barry Bell was elected (prop: AB, sec: ND, unanimous).

22/032 REGISTER OF ATTENDANCE and APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Present: Cllrs John Harrison (Chairman), Barry Bell, Andy Brisbourne, Neil Duxbury, Harmesh Jassel, Andrew Marston, Sarah Parker.

Apologies: Cllr Nigel Clifford.

Clerk: Alison Utting

Also: 3 members of the public.

22/033 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

The residents present thanked the Council, and Cllr Marston in particular, for the work done in sourcing the new grounds maintenance company. The groundsmen from KS Landscapes have been working around the village since the beginning of the cutting season and are very friendly and approachable, and they are doing a great job. (See also item 22/038e).

A resident enquired as to what construction work is being carried out to the rear of the Village Hall by the stone wall. No planning application has been submitted. Cllrs will monitor the situation and report if necessary.

Cllr Duxbury's retirement from the Village Hall Committee was mentioned, and thanks expressed for his unflagging service in that role for many years.

22/034 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – None.

The next item was moved up the agenda:

22/035 JUBILEE TREES – JH reported that a suitable site had been identified on the west side of the Moat, along the footpath from the Bowling Club car park to the church. Permission in principle has been given by Sansaw Estate. Nearby residents have been consulted and are in favour. Arthur Amos shared his expertise on the matter and, as a result, the following proposal was passed unanimously:

That the Council should purchase two oak trees and five flowering cherry trees, to be planted either side of the footpath to create an avenue. The planting to take place in the autumn, with the involvement of local groups, children, etc. Expenditure of up to £700.

ACTION: Arthur Amos to research suppliers and liaise with the Council.

The Chairman thanked Arthur for his work on this.

22/036 MINUTES

It was agreed that the Chairman should sign the minutes of the meeting held on 14th March 2022 as a true and correct record.

22/037 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Cllr John Harrison presented his report to the meeting (published separately).

22/038 PROGRESS REPORT

- a) **Installation of additional vehicle-activated speed sign (VAS)** – Still waiting for Keir to install the post.
- b) **Play area** – Negotiations still ongoing with installer regarding surfacing issue.
- c) **Painsbrook Lane/A49 traffic concerns** – Reply received from Traffic Engineering. Unfortunately, this location is not on the current list of accident cluster sites and

therefore they are unable to consider a scheme for further speed reduction measures at the present time.

- d) **Abbot Drive and Blacksmiths View, adoption by Shropshire Council** – SC have confirmed that Blacksmiths View development has been formally adopted, including street lighting. Hoping to complete the S38 adoption agreement for Abbot Drive development in the immediate future.
- e) **Village maintenance contract** – The new contractors are doing a great job. The Chairman thanked Cllr Marston for all his work in this. One or two tweaks to the schedule are needed. **ACTION:** AM to liaise.
- f) **Community Led Plan** – To be launched at the Annual Community Meeting.
- g) **Haston Road potholes and flooding** – No news. **ACTION:** Clerk to report again.
- h) **Faulty traffic lights** – Fixed.
- i) **Streetlight repairs** – Most have been fixed. **ACTION:** Clerk to chase outstanding faults.
- j) **Damaged road sign by school** – Has been fixed.

22/039 OTHER REPORTS – None.

22/040 ELECTION OF COMMITTEES and REPRESENTATIVES

Council unanimously resolved to appoint the following:

- a) Planning committee members – BB, AB, ND, AM, SP.
- b) Staffing Committee members – NC, JH, SP.
- c) Planning Advisory Group – BB, AB, SP.
- d) SALC representatives – ND, HJ.
- e) Village Hall representative – JH.
- f) RAF Shawbury Noise Liaison Group representative – AB.
- g) Highways liaison – ND, AM.
- h) Internal checker (finance) – SP.

22/041 MISSION STATEMENT – Council resolved to adopt the following as its mission statement / motto: "Working to sustain and grow a successful, safe and caring community". **ACTION:** Motto to go on all Council correspondence, publications, etc.

22/042 MAINTENANCE MATTERS

- a) Proposal from NC: To consider whether the parish council should take on responsibility for **tree maintenance** (land adjacent to Wedgefields/A49 junction;

22 trees). Council decided that it had insufficient information to come to a decision on this matter. **ACTION:** NC to be asked to submit information on the estimated cost of immediate work needed and some idea of ongoing financial burden to the Council. Item deferred to a future agenda when NC could be present.

- b) To decide how to manage **grass/weed overgrowth on new footpaths**. Council resolved to add this to the KS Landscapes contract. **ACTION:** AM to action.

22/043 PLANNING

- a) Council noted the minutes of the **Planning Committee meeting** held on 26th April 2022.

- b) Council considered the following **planning applications:**

22/01114/FUL Saracens, Shrewsbury Road, Hadnall SY4 4AG

Proposal: Change of use from former pub/restaurant/B&B to private residential dwelling to include the erection of single storey extension with loft accommodation; internal alterations. Decision: The Parish Council agreed to support the application with the following comment: 'On the condition that that, as per previous application, the property is intended to be used as a single-family dwelling, Hadnall Parish Council has no objection to this application.'

22/01115/LBC Saracens, Shrewsbury Road, Hadnall SY4 4AG

Proposal: Works to Listed building to facilitate the change of use of former pub/restaurant/B&B to private residential dwelling to include internal alterations and some demolition to allow for the erection of single storey rear extension with loft accommodation. Decision: The Parish Council agreed to support with comment as above.

There were no further planning applications or planning decisions received.

22/044 FINANCE

a) **Payments and receipts**

Council noted the following **payments** made in April 2022:

Amount	Details	Power to spend
880.20	Clerk's salary (February, March, April)	LGA 1972 s112

Council agreed to make the following **payments**:

Amount	Details	Power to spend
26.50	Clerk's refundable expenses	LGA (financial provisions) 1963 s5.
149.00	PAYE (months 22/12 and 23/01)	LGA 1972 s112
9.40	Microsoft365	LGA 1972 s142
410.04	SALC affiliation fee	LGA 1972 s111
64.93	Church floodlighting 01/01/2022 – 31/03/2022	Parish Councils Act 1957, s.3; Highways Act 1980, s.301
239.51	Website charges	LGA 1972 s142
193.20	Electricity for street lighting 31/12/2021 – 31/03/2022	Parish Councils Act 1957, s.3; Highways Act 1980, s.301
458.40	Streetlight repairs (Col 8, 19 and 34)	Parish Councils Act 1957, s.3; Highways Act 1980, s.301
450.00	K&S Plantscapes (mowing etc.)	Open Spaces Act 1906, ss.9 and 10

- b) Council received and approved the **accounts** and **bank reconciliation** for year ending March 2022.
- c) Council reviewed **automated payments** on the Unity account. They resolved to leave the Scottish Power direct debit in place and to set up a new Standing Order for the Clerk's salary (no expiry date).
- d) Council agreed that Harmesh Jassel should be added as a further **bank signatory** for the Unity account. **ACTION:** Clerk/HJ to action.
- e) Council noted the renewal of its **insurance** for 2022/23 at £475.09 (final year of 3 Year policy).
- f) Council resolved to earmark £2000 for the **installation of a footpath** at Wedgefields (see also 21/093a 12/07/2021 and 21/117a 08/11/2021).

22/045 ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

- a) Council reviewed **meeting frequency**. It was decided to continue to hold bi-monthly Council meetings, using the Planning Policy and working groups to progress matters between meetings. To be reviewed next May unless problems arise before then.
- b) Council resolved to adopt the revised **Code of Conduct** for councillors.

22/046 ANNUAL COMMUNITY MEETING AND AWARDS NIGHT

Council reviewed the current plan and arranged to meet on Wednesday to finalise the details. Helen Morgan MP has been invited. SC Cllr Simon Jones will attend. Nominations close Friday 13th May.

22/047 CORRESPONDENCE

Shropshire Council – Inviting applications from local schools, voluntary and community organisations and childcare providers to apply for grant funding, to run exciting and high-quality programmes of activity, during the summer and winter school holidays 2022. Must commit to both. Details from Clerk.

Resident – Limb hanging on oak tree on the west side of the attenuation pool (behind 32 Chapel Road). Reported to James Thompson.

RAF Shawbury – Events calendar for year. Forwarded to Cllrs.

20's Plenty – Free presentation 6th April. Forwarded to Cllrs.

Steve Jenkins – Request to continue using the Village Green for outdoor fitness sessions April till July. Monday 6.30pm-7.30pm. Also possibly Tuesday 6.30pm-7.30pm. Approval previously given by Council, so consent was given.

Highways - Road Closure: 31st May to 7th June Ladymas Road junction to Haston Road junction, Hadnall. Monday - Friday 8am – 3.30pm. (Carriageway repairs).

Village Hall – Formal thanks for the grant. Information about work done to date and future fundraising projects. Fete has been moved to 11th September 12-4pm. Notification of increase in charges for room hire.

22/048 PARISH MATTERS

*Residents are reminded that **fixmystreet.com** is the best way of reporting maintenance issues.*

Spare sets of keys for the HPC notice boards (Village Hall and pond) were distributed. Keyholders are now JH, SP and ND.

BB reported that we are still waiting to have a meeting with the Inspector with regard to the Regulation 19 examination of Shropshire Council's **Local Plan**. While we have been waiting, a revised 'hierarchy of settlements' statement has been published, effectively moving the goalposts and making it more likely than ever that Hadnall will become a 'hub'.

22/049 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

There will be a short finance meeting on Monday 27th June at 7.30pm.

The next Parish Council meeting will be on Monday 11th July at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 9.40pm.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Future meeting dates – 11th July, 12th September, 14th November.

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