
Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Thursday, 9th May 2019 at Cockshutt Millennium Hall starting at 7.30pm

Present:

Councillors: Julian Bowers, John Cooling (Chair), Ian Morris (Vice Chair) & Ian Webb
Clerk: Lynda McCormack
Shropshire Councillor B Williams
Members of the Public: 3

67/19 Election of Chairman for the coming year and declaration of acceptance of office

Cllr. John Cooling was proposed and seconded. There being no other nominations Cllr Cooling was elected unanimously as Chair for coming year and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

68/19 Election of Vice Chairman for the coming year

Cllr. Ian Morris was proposed and seconded. There being no other nominations Cllr. Morris was elected unanimously as Vice Chair for the coming year

69/19 Public Participation Period

An opportunity for members of the public to make representations to the Parish Council on matters on the agenda or public interest.

The Save our Pub Group thanked the Parish Council in securing the listing of the Leaking Tap as an Asset of Community Value. The group has approached the Plunkett Foundation for advice and guidance; inclusion of a village shop also needs to be investigated. A steering group of volunteers is required and consideration be given to including ACVs in the parish plan.

70/19 Apologies for absence

None

71/19 Minutes of the last meeting

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 11th April 2019 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

72/19 Disclosable Pecuniary Interests:

Members were reminded that they were required to leave the room during the discussion and voting on matters in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest, whether or not the Interest is entered in the Register of Members' Interests maintained by the Monitoring Officer.

a. **DPI's :**

None

b. **To consider any requests for Dispensations:**

None

73/19 Co-Option of Councillors

One Expression of Interest was received from Mr Simon Lewis who introduced himself to the Parish Council. It was proposed, seconded and all in agreement that he be co-opted.

RESOLVED: Mr Lewis be co-opted onto the Parish Council

Cllr. Lewis duly signed the Declaration Acceptance

74/19 Appointment of officers and representatives to the following outside bodies

- a. Shropshire Association of Local Councils : Cllr. Morris
- b. Local Joint Committee: As this committee rarely meets members will nominate a representative in the event of a meeting being called.
- c. Emergency Planning Officer – deferred
- d. Helicopter Noise Liaison Group – delete
- e. Cockshutt Millennium Hall Management Committee: Cllr. Cooling
- f. Wood Lane Quarry Liaison Group: Cllr. Webb

75/19 Planning:

- a. Decisions Received: None
- b. Applications Received since 11th April – None
- c. Applications received after 3rd May -None

76/19 Financial Matters:

a. Balances for Information

End of Year balances for 2018/19 (attached) were received and noted

b. Accounts

Outstanding accounts were approved and signed

P Birch for grass cutting	145.00
SALC affiliation fees	330.93
Came & Co. Insurance	720.79

Cllr. Webb reported that the next spend, on printing the Parish Plan document, should fall within the remaining budget.

c. Annual Returns

- (i) Members considered the criteria for exemption
RESOLVED: unanimously that the Parish Council met the exemption criteria and the certificate be signed by the Clerk and Chairman accordingly
- (ii) The Internal Audit Report was received and noted.
- (iii) Members considered the Annual Governance Statement
RESOLVED: members agreed completion of the responses and that the Governance Statement be signed by the Chairman & Clerk
- (iv) Members considered the Accounting Statement signed by the Clerk
RESOLVED: unanimously that the Accounting Statements be signed by the Chairman as a correct record
- (v) The approved Annual Returns were signed accordingly

d. Pensions Regulator review

Clerk explained that the 3-year review of pension arrangements is due on 1st August; re-enrolment to be completed by 31st October 2019.

77/19 Jubilee Field - Grounds Maintenance Contract

Two tenders for grass cutting on the Jubilee Field and Football Ground were received. It was proposed and seconded, all in favour to appoint Groundforce Landscapes Ltd.
RESOLVED: To award the contract to Groundforce Landscapes Ltd.

78/19 Community-Led Planning

The Steering Group are progressing well with the Parish Plan. One more meeting is planned to finalise the document after which it will be circulate to members for review and adoption in June

79/19 Councillor Reports on meetings attended

- a. Cllr. Cooling attended the Village Hall committee; the Chairman position is still vacant.
- b. Cllrs. Cooling & Webb attended the Place Plan Meeting. The last Place Plan update was in 2015/16. Cllr. Webb went through items for Cockshutt area and commented on items to be considered for deletion/amendment

80/19 Parish Matters

Cllr. Cooling reported the ongoing issue with the lattice tower for Petton. Cllr. Cooling has contacted the supplier again : no work has been issued for this.

81/19 Highways

a. The Meadows

Some work has been done near roundabout & the lights on the development are improved.

b. Willowbrook Manor

Nothing further to report

b. VAS northern

Shropshire Council has done a site visit in respect of power supply for the sign.

d. Installation of Road Name Signs

Deferred

e. Parklands

The parish council met with a resident, councillors and highways inspector for Cockshutt – information has been forwarded to drainage section at Shropshire Council.

f. Flooding at Frankton Grange

Cllr. Webb will monitor with a view to reporting this next time there is an issue

g. Requests under SC Road Safety Policy

None

82/19 Consultations

None

83/19 Date of next meeting and to consider future agenda items:

- a. Next Meeting of the Parish Council - Thursday, 13th June 2019 @ 7:30 pm
- b. Other dates for the diary:

SALC Area Committee - Monday 17 June 2019 at 7.15 p.m. at Edinburgh House, Wem
SALC Training dates forwarded with the April bulletin

The Chairman, Cllr. Cooling declared the meeting closed at 8:32 pm

Signed...(by the Chairman).....

Date....13th June 2019.....