

## Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday, 10<sup>th</sup> October 2024 Millennium Hall, Cockshutt at 7.30pm

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**Present:**

Councillors: J. Bowers, Mrs. P. Edwards, P. Griffiths, Ms. J. Harrison & I. Webb  
Members of the Public: None  
Shropshire Councillor: Cllr. Brian Williams  
Clerk: Mrs. L. McCormack

**125/24 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs. Ms. P. Inglis, R. Hadley and S. Lewis

**126/24 Public Participation:** None

**127/24 Approval of minutes of the last meeting.**

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 12<sup>th</sup> September 2024 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

**128/24 Disclosable Pecuniary Interests:**

- a. Members were reminded that they are 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.  
None Declared
- b. Other Registrable Interests: None
- c. To consider any requests for Dispensations: None

**129/24 Planning:**

- a. **Decisions Received for information:** None
- b. **Applications for Consideration received since the September meeting:** None
- c. **Applications Received after 4<sup>th</sup> October:** None

**d. Place Plan and Parish Plan**

No new projects to add to the Place Plan currently. Members queried the entry for 30mph at Willowbrook Manor. It was understood that the extension of the speed limit area is included in the LTP but has not been completed to date. Clerk to contact the Place Plan officer.

**130/24 Financial Matters:**

- a. Balances for information circulated to members were noted and accepted

- b. Payments were approved:

<b>August:</b>	
J Harrison	£144.00
D Bywater	£45.00
JD Goddard	£480.00
Audlem Printers	£125.00
Silver Mables	£126.00
<b>October:</b>	
JD Goddard	£805.00
The Poppy Shop	£44.48
	<b>£1,769.48</b>

**131/24 Property Maintenance Update:** None

**132/24 Environmental Maintenance:**

A resident had contacted the Parish Council regarding the need for additional gravel surfacing on the footpath to the Church. Cllrs. Griffiths & Bowers to inspect.

**133/24 Jubilee Field**

- a. With regard to water pooling on Jubilee Field Cllr. Bowers is in contact with drainage engineers who will, when available, clear the silting from the drains. Cllrs. Bowers & Webb to check whether the flood control chamber to the rear of the Meadows is accessible

- b. The Parish Council considered the public procurement requirements in respect of the parking solution for Jubilee Field  
Members researched suitable companies and sought 3 quotes by means of specific invitation to firms who specialise in provision of sustainable permeable car parking options commensurate with the recreational needs of the users and the planning consent; the cost of which has emerged as in excess of £30,000. Given the expected value of the contract the procurement rules do not require the Council to re-start the contract process. The nature of the contract is in accordance with light touch arrangements and the provisions of the Financial Regulations the advice on .gov.uk that the contract does not require advertisement on Contract Finder Public Contracts Regulations 2015, Reg. 110(5)(b)) but would require eventual publication of the award of the contract.

RESOLVED: Updated price to be sought with a view to commencing work in spring 2025 and after the current flooding issue on the field has been resolved.

- c. Dog Park  
Members considered the suggestion regarding a dog park. After discussion regarding the implications of such a scheme members were not minded to progress a project which reserves limited public space available to all for a restricted use.

**134/24 Highways**

Members queried the situation with potholes and overgrown hedges on Park Lane. Clerk to check Fix My Street reports.

**135/24 Reports of Meetings Attended:** None

**136/24 Correspondence for information:**

Cllr. Webb has ordered wreaths for Remembrance and will check service arrangements and organised wreath laying on behalf of the PC.

Clerk has received communication from the current auditor that they will not be in a position to carry out 2024/25 audit next year.

**137/24 Consultations**

a. **Local Policing Charter –**

Members agreed the quarterly priorities of drug related issues and speeding

b. **Shropshire Council Consultations**

Nature Recovery Strategy Partnership - three surveys:

- Landowners and land managers
- Town and Parish councils
- General public.

The surveys are open until 16 October.

<https://next.shropshire.gov.uk/environment/ecology-and-biodiversity/shropshire-and-%20telford-wrekin-local-nature-recovery-strategy/>

Other surveys including Preparing for Adulthood and Waste Prevention Strategy -

<https://www.shropshire.gov.uk/get-involved/>

**138/24 Parish Matters & Items for the next agenda:**

- a. Consider items for Parish Matters
- b. Budget considerations

**139/24 Date of next meeting:**

Date of Next Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council: Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> November 2024 @ 7:30 pm

SALC's AGM on 30th October 2024, 4:00 pm in the Council Chamber, Shirehall, Shrewsbury (Agenda & information circulated 12/09/24)

The Chair, Cllr Webb, declared the meeting closed at 8: 45 p.m.

Signed.....

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