

Cockshutt cum Petton Parish Council

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on Thursday, 9th October 2025 Millennium Hall, Cockshutt at 7.30pm

Present:

Councillors: J. Bowers, P. Brewer, Mrs. P. Edwards, P. Griffiths & I. Webb
Members of the Public: One
Shropshire Councillor: Sarah Marston

133/25 Apologies for absence:

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr. R. Hadley

134/25 Declarations of acceptance:

All declarations have been completed.

135/25 Public Participation:

A resident attended and asked for clarification regarding maintenance of the Jubilee & football field; also thanked the Parish Council as light no 23 has now been fixed.

136/25 Shropshire Councillor Report

Members acknowledged receipt of Cllr. Marston's report.
Cllr. Marston attended Welshampton and Lyneal PC meeting (WLPC); WLPC are keen to form a cluster with neighbouring parishes to create wildlife corridors.

137/25 Approval of minutes of the last meeting.

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 11th September 2025 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

138/25 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

139/25 Planning:

- a. **Decisions Received for information:** None
- b. **Applications for Consideration received since the September meeting:** None
- c. **Applications Received after 2nd October:** None

140/25 Financial Matters:

- a. Balances for information as recorded on the bank reconciliation attached.
- b. Members received copy bank statements, payments and receipts for half yearly verification
RESOLVED: It was proposed and seconded, all in agreement, that the accounts be verified as a true record.
The Chairman signed the bank reconciliation & financial statement as a correct record.

c. **Outstanding invoices for approval**

J Goddard Grounds Maintenance	£330.00
SALC	£21.00
ICO	£35.00
Salaries	£485.90
	£871.90

d. **Review of Bank Details & Signatories:**

Newly authorised signatories have been completed however there are issues with TSB website accessing the accounts. Clerk to follow up.

e. **Pension provision update:**

Clerk confirmed with members the decision ref. minute no. 90/25(f) and informed members that this will be progressed.

141/25 Property Maintenance

Clerk has not received invoices recently for cleaning. Cllr. Griffiths will check with the contractor.

142/25 Environmental Maintenance

The sign at Kenwick Park has still not been fixed. Clerk to follow up.

143/25 Jubilee & Football Field

Chair to speak to the Village Hall Committee re impact of the football match season on the local area

144/25 Highways

a. **Requests under SC road safety policy.**

Members considered the issue of visibility & parking at the junction Crosemere Road with Shrewsbury Road. Members opinion is that issues may be resolved once the shop is open again which it is believed is imminent.

- b. Hedges are growing up around the road signs. Clerk to follow up.

145/25 Reports of Meetings attended – for information

- Shropshire Together Conference
- SALC area committee

Clerk reported that speakers at both meetings concentrated on devolution. There is increasing pressure on work level & funding for unitary council discretionary services given increasing costs of statutory functions such as social services.

Proposed review of CIL unspent funds and place plans.

Speaker at the Conference gave his experiences as a clerk of a large town council to whom some services were devolved from the unitary authority in Somerset.

146/25 Information & Correspondence

Shropshire Council/Towns & Parish Collaborative working (circulated 05/09/2025)
Members await further information towards the end of October.

Offer of advisory assistance on streetlights from Shropshire Council (circulated 29/09/25)
On behalf of the Parish Council the Clerk has expressed an interest in the advisory assistance from the Unitary Authority.

NALC nominations for national committees open until 31st October 2025
<https://www.nalc.gov.uk/about/committees-and-meetings/committee-elections.html>

147/25 Consultations

Neighbourhood Matters Policing Charter priorities (circulated 02/10/2025)
Charter priorities remain as the previous contract. Speeding, drugs and anti-social behaviour.

Shropshire Telford & Wrekin Local Nature Recovery Strategy
<https://www.shropshire.gov.uk/get-involved/local-nature-recovery-strategy-lnrs/>
Open until 15/10/25

<https://www.shropshire.gov.uk/get-involved/draft-all-age-autism-strategy-consultation/>

For information on all Shropshire Council consultations visit
<https://www.shropshire.gov.uk/get-involved/>

148/25 Parish Matters & Items for the next agenda:

- a. Items to the clerk for the next newsletter
- b. Two wreaths to be ordered for Remembrance to be delivered to the Chairman
- c. Members to consider changing the current speed signs
- d. Local Nature Recovery Strategy group
- e. Cllr. Marston is requested to raise the issue of ambulance response times with the appropriate authority

142/25 Date of next meeting:

Date of the next Meeting of the Parish Council: Thursday, 13th November 2025 @ 7:30 pm

SALC AGM - Wednesday 29th October 2025, 4pm - 7pm at Shrewsbury Football Stadium (Sovereign Suite)

The Chair, Cllr Griffiths, declared the meeting closed at 9:05 p.m.

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

Date.....13th November 2025.....