

## Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on Thursday, 12<sup>th</sup> February 2026 Millennium Hall, Cockshutt at 7.30pm

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### Present:

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

### 17/26 Apologies for absence:

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr. Richard Hadley

### 18/26 Public Participation:

A member of the public attended to inquire the status of fibre broadband rollout in Shropshire. Residents are experiencing significant connection issues and mobile signals affecting local businesses.

There is a request that the Parish Council might assist with funding a booster mast installed on the Church Tower.

Cllr. Marston updated the meeting that the Connecting Shropshire contract has not yet been awarded for the fibre rollout but will make enquiries

The Parish Council to investigate further the option of a booster mast to improve mobile signals.

### 19/26 Shropshire Councillor Report

Report for January as circulated.

Shropshire Council now has permission to increase council tax 8.99%, and waiting on a decision to cancel the NW relief road project.

### 20/26 Approval of minutes of the last meeting.

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 8<sup>th</sup> January 2026 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

### 21/26 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.
- b. Other Registrable Interests: None
- c. To consider any requests for Dispensations: None

### 22/26 Planning:

#### a. Decisions Received for information:

Reference: 25/04175/OUT (validated: 03/12/2025)

Address: Proposed Residential Development Land South Of King Georges Cottage, English Frankton, Ellesmere, Shropshire

Proposal: Outline application (all matters reserved) for the erection of 3No. dwellings

Decision: Refused

**b. Applications for Consideration received since the February meeting:**

Reference: 26/00070/REM (validated: 08/01/2026)

Address: Land North West Of Crosemere, Cockshutt, Shropshire

Proposal: Approval of reserved matters (appearance, landscaping, layout and scale) pursuant to 22/01760/OUT for the erection of an agricultural workers dwelling to include means of access

Comment: The Parish Council has no further comment or objection to the application

View online at: <http://pa.shropshire.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal=T8IIDPTDFJR00>

**c. Applications Received after 6<sup>th</sup> February – None**

**d. For information only:**

Reference: 26/00151/CPL

Proposal: Application for a Lawful Development Certificate for the proposed removal of existing single storey rear conservatory and erection of replacement single storey orangery.

Address: 22 The Briars, Cockshutt, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY12 0LL.

Reference: 26/00290/AG1 (validated: 27/01/2026)

Address: East Lodge, Burlton, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY4 5TD

Proposal: Proposed portal steel framed agricultural storage building

View online at: <http://pa.shropshire.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal=T9IN7ATD01M00>

**23/26 Financial Matters:**

- a. Balances for information as recorded on the bank reconciliation attached.
- b. The Chairman signed the bank reconciliation & financial statement as a correct record.

c. Outstanding invoices for approval:

HMRC	£34.76
D Bywater	£45.00
SCPF	£1,266.32
	£1,346.08

- d. The Council has now received the results of the 3 year review of the Pension Fund and the Council's contribution rate. Received and accepted by members
- e. Audit Preparation  
Clerk to draft IT policy for approval. Members are experiencing difficulties accessing the new email addresses.  
Cllr Webb circulated an updated report re projects. Members discussed redirecting Community Project funding/CIL to address highways matters and requested Cllr. Marston to update the Parish Council regarding installation of the 20 mph speed limit outside the school.
- f. MHCLG has increased the S137 expenditure for 2026/27 to £11.60 per elector.

**24/26 Property Maintenance - No issues currently**

**25/26 Environmental Maintenance –**

Re-surface the footpath from Crosemere Road to the church, once the adjacent works have been completed.

**26/26 Jubilee & Football Field** – no issues to report

**27/26 Highways**

- a. Requests under SC road safety policy –  
A complaint has been received regarding parking and visibility on Shrewsbury Road at the junction with Crosemere Road. Cllr Marston stated that Shropshire Council had indicated the possibility of double yellow lines. Members discussed the issue of double yellows v H marking the access to the shop.
- b. Change of speed signs. Clerk to pursue quotes.
- c. Shropshire Council will be removing all vegetation along verges on Crosemere Road adjacent to Willowbrook Manor to prevent issues with overgrown hedges in future
- d. Cllr. Marston is pursuing the issue with the state of Park Lane, alongside other road repair issues in the Parish

**28/26 Reports of Meetings attended – for information – none currently**

**29/26 Information & Correspondence**

Woodland Trust Community Tree Packs now available

<https://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/plant-trees/schools-and-communities/>

Buckingham Palace Garden Party: Nominations by Friday, 13th February 2026 if any

**30/26 Consultations**

NPPF: In December, MCHLG published a consultation on a revised National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) and other changes to the planning system.

The closing date for responses is 10th March.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/national-planning-policy-framework-proposed-reforms-and-other-changes-to-the-planning-system/national-planning-policy-framework-proposed-reforms-and-other-changes-to-the-planning-system>

Local Policing Charter priorities: due 31<sup>st</sup> March for April-October '26

Members agreed the priorities speeding, drugs & anti-social behaviour are unchanged

For information on all Shropshire Council consultations visit

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

Including day centres consultation & domestic abuse partnership strategy

**31/26 Parish Matters & Items for the next agenda:**

Consider items for the next Parish Matters.

**32/26 Date of next meeting:** Thursday, 12th March 2026 @ 7:30 pm

The Chair, Cllr Griffiths, declared the meeting closed at 8: 40 p.m.

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

Date.....12<sup>th</sup> March 2026.....