

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on Thursday, 11th June 2026 Millennium Hall, Cockshutt at 7.30pm

Present:

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

70/26 Apologies for absence:

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr. P. Brewer

71/26 Public Participation:

A resident requested an update on the situation with regard to the Village Hall. There is no further information at this stage however an announcement is anticipated.

A resident enquired with regard to the request for a Pelican Crossing. Cllrs referred to the previous meeting minutes which recorded that design work for traffic calming is scheduled for 2026 including an option of a pelican crossing subject to highway safety analysis. Residents will be updated once this phase has been completed.

A resident raised the issue of the provision of allotments on Jubilee Field. Members noted a potential difficulty should the recreation area be lost, Jubilee Field would then be the only remaining recreational open space in the village.

72/26 Shropshire Councillor Report

Report for June as circulated and published on CCP-PC website.

Cllr. Marston updated the meeting:

Atlas Tower Group confirmed they will not be progressing a mobile phone mast installation in Cockshutt at this time due to the lack of commitment from mobile operators.

Cllr. Marston has written to Helen Morgan MP regarding the urgent need to address these issues for rural areas.

NET CS, places masts on church towers where possible. Shropshire Council's Digital Infrastructure Officer will be meeting with the provider scheduled for two weeks time

73/26 Approval of minutes of the last meeting.

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 14th May 2026 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

74/26 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

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75/26 Planning:

- a. **Decisions Received for information: None**
- b. **Applications for Information received since the May meeting:**

Reference: 26/01914/AG1 (validated: 21/05/2026)
Address: Land North East Of, English Frankton, Ellesmere, Shropshire
Proposal: A new mono-pitched machinery store measuring 30m x 12m to give an area of 360m². A concrete pad directly associated with the agricultural buildings on site measuring 58m x 17m to give an area of 986m²
View online at: <http://pa.shropshire.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal=TFCL1ATDIMC00>

Reference: 26/01847/AMP
Address: Proposed Agricultural Building North Of English Frankton Ellesmere
Proposal: Non Material Amendment to move the new building approximately 10 meters further to the west, so that the eastern gables of the new and existing building on site are aligned due to the electricity cables to planning permission 25/03894/FUL

View online at: <https://pa.shropshire.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=documents&keyVal=TF3CA0TDIIA00>

- c. **Applications Received after 4th June – None**

76/26 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 payments approved:

SCPF	£156.02
Backpay (revised)	£84.04
J. Goddard - May	£330.00
RLT Auditing	£200.01
VH Meeting Hire Fees 2024-2027	£705.00
	£1,475.07

- d. Email provider – deferred
- e. Appointment of Internal Auditor 2026-27
Members received the quote £225 for 2026/27 audit.
RESOLVED: proposed and seconded, agreed unanimously to appoint RLT Auditing for the next year's internal audit.

77/26 Approval of Annual Returns & Audit

- a. 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
- b. The Internal Audit Report was received and noted. Clerk to follow up recommendations.
- c. Members considered the Annual Governance Statement
RESOLVED: members agreed completion of the responses and that the Annual Governance Statement be signed by the Chairman & Clerk

- d. Members considered the Accounting Statement signed by the Clerk
RESOLVED: unanimously that the Accounting Statements be signed by the Chairman as a correct record. The approved Annual Returns were signed accordingly
- e. The Certificate of Exemption will be submitted to the external auditor and the documents published on the website, and provision made for electors' rights commencing Wednesday, 17th June 2026

78/26 Property Maintenance -

Following recent repair to the youth shelter the panel has again been damaged

79/26 Environmental Maintenance – none

80/26 Jubilee & Football Field

Suggested date for working party to remove protective guards from the new hedging 5th July @ 10:00 am.

Clerk to send notification of upcoming works on Jubilee Field to the school

Members to instruct ISB to inspect the drain as concerns had been raised regarding suspect damage to the pipe on adjacent land

81/26 Highways

- a. Road Safety - Traffic Calming
Design work for traffic calming on Shrewsbury Road is scheduled for 2026 including an option of a pelican crossing subject to highway safety analysis
- b. Willowbrook Manor
Awaiting update

82/26 Reports of Meetings attended – for information – none currently

83/26 Information & Correspondence

- a. Village Hall Committee update – none currently
- b. Legislative changes restricting publication of private addresses on the register of interests
- c. Open Meadows Day – Marches Meadows Group
<https://www.marchesmeadowgroup.com/events-and-courses-2026>
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/marches-meadow-group-open-meadows-day-tickets-1984779547054?aff=oddtcreator>
- d. Adopted Local Nature Recovery Strategy: online briefing to which all Councillors are invited on Thursday, 18th June.

84/26 Consultations

Shropshire Council consultation on key priorities & strategies for next Local Plan & timetable.

<https://getinvolved.shropshire.gov.uk/consultations/shropshire-local-plan-scoping-consultation/>

Clerk to forward survey questions

For information on all Shropshire Council consultations visit

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

OPCC consultation – government proposals to merge of police forces open until 15th June

[Public consultation - police force mergers](#)

NALC Project Keystone – open until 12th June
Strategic review of NALC to inform and shape the future direction, role and strategic priorities of sector support for parish and town councils
<https://www.nalc.gov.uk/resource/nalcs-project-keystone-survey-deadline-extended-to-12-june-2026.html>

85/26 Parish Matters & Items for the next agenda:

Cllr Marston reported Wood Lane Liaison Group will be meeting again, dates TBC.

86/26 Date of next meeting: Thursday, 9th July 2026 @ 7:30 pm

Training events: <https://www.alcshropshire.gov.uk/events/upcoming>

The Chair, Cllr Griffiths, declared the meeting closed at 8:20 p.m.

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

Date...9th July 2026.....