

HADNALL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held at Hadnall Village Hall on 13th January 2020.

Before the meeting commenced, the Chairman opened the floor to PC Liam Heathcote who is part of the 5-member Safer Neighbourhood Team covering the Wem area (which includes Hadnall). The team has 3 basic priorities - safer roads, safer homes and safer people and each call received is graded to see if it fits 1 of those 3 priorities. The Parish Council advised PC Heathcote that the main cause for concern in the parish is road safety, mainly the speed of traffic on the A49 through the village (including the zebra crossing) and the parking at the school during drop off and collection times. PC Heathcote finished by reminding that people should report crimes/concerns via the 101 telephone number and to submit any dashcam evidence online. He was thanked for attending the meeting.

20/001 Public Question Time

- Flooding on A49: It is thought that a blocked drain is causing rainwater to run down the bank into the village. **ACTION:** Parish Clerk to report.
- White lines on A49: Following the resurfacing of the road north of the village, the white lines require reinstating. **ACTION:** Shropshire Councillor Simon Jones to request.
- Upgrading of transformer: The Parish Council was advised that Manweb are upgrading a transformer in the parish, due to the recent housing developments. This will take place on 13th February.
- Litter: It was reported that a parishioner is regularly clearing up litter around the village. **ACTION:** Councillor Duxbury to provide details and Parish Clerk to write to him to express the Parish Council's gratitude.

20/002 Present

Parish Councillors: Mr. Slater (Chairman), Mr. Harrison, Mr. Bell, Mr. Duxbury, Mr. Brisbane, Mr. Clifford, Mr. Davies, Mr. Amos. Parish Clerk: Mrs. Smith-Wells. Mr. Simon Jones (Shropshire Councillor). 6 Members of the Public.

20/003 Apologies

None.

20/004 Declarations of Interest

None.

20/005 Minutes of the Meeting Held on 11th November 2019.

Signed as a correct record.

20/006 Introduction of Flt. Lt. Nick Smith from RAF Shawbury.

Flt. Lt. did not attend the meeting.

20/007 Report from Shropshire Councillor Simon Jones

- The new version of the Place Plan has been published by Shropshire Council and the Parish Council should submit comments on it. **ACTION:** Parish Clerk to circulate to all Councillors.
- Shropshire Council are considering proposing the implementation of 20mph zones outside every school in the county.

- Shropshire Council has applied to Central Government for a higher amount of funding from the £2 billion fund for the repair of potholes in rural areas (more funding is given to urban areas). **ACTION:** Parish Clerk to write to the North Shropshire MP to express support.

20/008 Progress Reports

- a) Smart Water rollout: Parishioners have been invited to a sign-up event on 18th January in the village hall.
- b) New Play Equipment on existing site: Progressing although the weather has hampered progress. It was reported that the current slide is not fully safety compliant at the present time, but a replacement will cost in the region of £3,000.00 to £4,000.00. It was proposed, seconded and resolved that the existing slide be retained and repaired to make it safety compliant, and the ground underneath raised to the recommended height. It was noted that the new equipment will require 8 weeks for the manufacture and 6 weeks for fitting (from the date of order). **ACTION:** Councillor Slater and Councillor Amos to continue to progress.
- c) Bowling Club Lease: This has still not been signed by the Bowling Club. The Parish Council considered a paragraph on the sale of alcohol at the club, requested for inclusion in the lease by the Bowling Club's solicitor. Voting on this issue was as follows:
 - a) proposed and seconded that the lease includes the wording they desire and that the Bowling Club is asked to sign the lease by the end of January; b) amendment proposed and seconded that there should be no further alterations to the lease (as the day to day running of the club is not a matter for the Parish Council) and that the Bowling Club be asked to sign the lease by the end of January. The amendment (b) was voted on first (6 votes for, 1 against and 1 abstention) and was carried. It therefore became the substantive motion (c) and replaced the original proposal (a). The substantive motion (c) was then voted on (6 votes for, 1 against and 1 abstention) and was therefore resolved. **ACTION:** Parish Clerk to advise Hatchers Solicitors of this. It was further agreed not to bank a cheque for £250.00 given by the Bowling Club to the Parish Council as a "gesture of goodwill" until the lease has been signed. **ACTION:** Parish Clerk to advise Peter Sargeant (Hadnall Bowling Club) of this.
- d) Moat footpath: Councillor Bell reported that a 3rd quotation is being obtained and this will conform with the requirements for the CIL application. **ACTION:** Councillor Bell to continue to progress.
- e) Mobile Speed Signs: The speed signs have been ordered and will be delivered shortly. **ACTION:** Parish Clerk to advise Shropshire Council of this.
- f) Saracens Car Park: No further developments.
- g) Maintenance of trees: Councillor Amos reported that he had met with Access2Trees on site at both the village green and at Wedgefields.
 - a) It was proposed, seconded and resolved that the quotation for £70.00 to carry out work to trees on the village green be accepted. **ACTION:** Parish Clerk to place an order with Access2 Trees; b) It was agreed to investigate ownership (and therefore responsibility for) the trees at Wedgefields before any remedial work is carried out. **ACTION:** Parish Clerk to ascertain ownership.
- h) Ditch at school: Councillor Duxbury reported that he is waiting for a reply from Shropshire Council on this. **ACTION:** Councillor Duxbury to continue to chase.

20/009 Community Infrastructure Levy

- a) CIL expenditure at the school: Phil Wilson of Shropshire Council had advised that he is liaising with colleagues and the school regarding this.

20/010 Accounts

- a) It was proposed, seconded and resolved that the following payments be approved:

£588.96	Salary, mileage and Working from Home Allowance for Nov. and Dec.
£48.20	Church floodlighting
£106.47	Streetlight electricity
£17.60	Printer cartridge
£760.00	Repairs to fence etc. at The Ease
£24.00	Printing

- b) It was proposed, seconded and resolved that the latest accounts report and bank reconciliation, prepared by the Parish Clerk, be approved.
- c) It was agreed that the draft budget be updated and accepted.
- d) It was proposed, seconded and resolved that the Parish Council should apply for a precept amount of £12,459.00 (a 2% increase to cover increased maintenance responsibilities). **ACTION:** Parish Clerk to submit the application to Shropshire Council.

20/011 Sansaw Estate's Development Proposals

It was agreed that, at present, the Parish Council's mandate is to represent the parishioners who have voted against being a community hub and against any development in the future. With that in mind, the Parish Council had submitted comments to Eddie West of Shropshire Council as follows: "We have a duty to represent parishioners, to be transparent and unbiased, and to treat all landowners, with building aspirations, equally" and "if any of the (Sansaw Estate's") proposals are actually converted into a formal planning application, the Parish Council will compile a formal response by the given deadline". It was accepted that there is a need to consider what action to take, should Shropshire Council impose community hub status on the village (and therefore further development on their preferred site of land south of Wedgefields). It was suggested that this should include approaching prospective developers with requests for facilities required and it was proposed, seconded and resolved that, if Shropshire Council impose community hub status (and, therefore, further development) on the parish, the Parish Council should carry out a consultation survey of all parishioners. **ACTION:** Parish Clerk to email Eddie West to ask when we are likely to be advised of their decision.

20/012 Planning

- a) 19/04335/FUL, conversion of the Saracens into 6 flats. Shropshire Council decision pending.
- b) 19/04571/OUT, erection of 4 dwellings on land adjoining Crawthornton. Shropshire Council refused permission.
- c) 19/04888/FUL, single storey extension at 1 Magdalene View. Shropshire Council granted permission.
- d) 19/05280/FUL, erection of garage at Friar's Halt. Shropshire Council decision pending.
- e) 17/05454/FUL, erection of 4 dwellings on Saracen's car park. Shropshire Council decision pending.

20/013 Highways and General Village Matters

- a) Review of maintenance provision in the village: Councillors considered a document prepared by Councillor Harrison, following his inspection of areas/assets in the parish that the Parish Council is responsible for. It was proposed, seconded and resolved that the 15 recommendations for required action be approved and actioned. **ACTION:**

Parish Clerk to arrange, to put the document on the website and to recirculate the Asset Register to Parish Councillors for consideration.

- b) Roads in the parish: It was agreed that the roads in the parish (particularly the A49 through the centre) are in a disgraceful condition, with multiple potholes and large areas of degraded surfacing. **ACTION:** Parish Clerk to report to Shropshire Council.
- c) Village hall: Councillors discussed an online booking system of the village hall, but it was decided not to pursue it. **ACTION:** Councillor Duxbury to provide village hall bookings for the Parish Clerk to include on the website.
- d) Streetlight at Wedgefields: One new streetlight is still shining brightly into the closest house. **ACTION:** Parish Clerk to advise the electrical contractor.
- e) Streetlight on Astley Lane: A streetlight that collapsed prior to Christmas has also resulted in the adjacent light failing to work. **ACTION:** Parish Clerk to advise the electrical contractor.

20/014 Correspondence

None.

20/015 Councillors' Reports

None presented.

20/016 Items for Future Agenda

VE celebrations 08/05/20; Severn Trent Community Fund; Maintenance Review action; updated 2020/21 revenue budget.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 22.16.

.....(CHAIRMAN)(DATE)

Date of next meeting: 10th February 2020

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