

HADNALL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held at Hadnall Village Hall on 14th January 2019.

19/001 Public Question Time

- Parishioners who voluntarily maintain an area of communal land at Wedgefields advised that several of the shrubs and a tree have died. It was agreed that the Parish Council would arrange for them to be removed and to fund replacements. **ACTION:** Parish Clerk to arrange. In addition, clarification is sought for responsibility for mowing the grass there. **ACTION:** Parish Clerk to clarify.
- Responsibility for a ditch between the hedge and fence which separates Whitehurst and Hadnall Primary School needs to be clarified, as it requires clearing out. **ACTION:** Parish Clerk to ask Shropshire Council.
- It was proposed, seconded and resolved that the Parish Council will provide funding for the purchase of extra laurel bushes for the school to complete their hedge. **ACTION:** Councillor Duxbury to liaise with the Headteacher and Parish Clerk to liaise with Shropshire Council Highways about the land where planting is required.
- A parishioner reported that she considers the current planning application at Hadnall Primary School to be “yet another add-on” and a new school should be built instead. She was advised that Shropshire Council will not consider building a replacement.
- Responsibility for the maintenance of the communal grass, fences and open spaces at Abbots Lea, once building work is completed, needs to be clarified. It is thought that the S106 agreement between Shropshire Council and the developers will cover this. **ACTION:** Councillor Bell and Parish Clerk to investigate.
- **ACTION:** Parish Clerk to establish ownership of trees numbered T1, T3 and T4 at Blacksmiths View.
- **ACTION:** Parish Clerk and Shropshire Councillor Simon Jones to look up legislation that covers owners keeping dogs on leads in public areas.
- **ACTION:** Parish Clerk to establish ownership of the oak trees at Wedgefields.

19/002 Present

Parish Councillors: Mr. Slater (Chairman), Mr. Duxbury, Mr. Clifford, Mr. Harrison, Mr. Bell, Mr. Brisbourne, Mr. Davies. Parish Clerk: Mrs. Smith-Wells. Shropshire Councillor Simon Jones. 7 Members of the Public.

19/003 Apologies

Mrs. Rees-Pullman.

19/004 Declarations of Interest

None.

19/005 Minutes of the Meetings Held on 12th November 2018

Signed as correct record of that meeting.

19/006 Progress Reports

- a) Smart Water rollout: Councillor Duxbury is still to arrange visits to those households who had not yet come forward and to deliver information leaflets to Galliers' site office. **ACTION:** Councillor Duxbury to arrange visits to houses and to drop off information leaflets to the sales office at Abbots Lea. **ACTION:** Parish Clerk to obtain, if possible, crime statistics in the village since Smart Water was introduced.

- b) New Play Equipment (including RoSPA report): Councillor Davies advised that he had met with a supplier to discuss repairs to the existing equipment, much of which needs replacing, including the surrounding fence. The contractor is to provide quotations for both repairing and replacing, as well as a proposal for the provision of new equipment for older children and adults. **ACTION:** Councillor Davies to continue to pursue. **ACTION:** Parish Clerk to contact Shawbury Parish Clerk for information on funding they received for their new play area.
- c) Street Lighting Renewal Programme: Councillor Duxbury reported that he is still waiting for the agreed renewal programme from the contractor. **ACTION:** Councillor Duxbury to continue to progress.
- d) Proposed footpath past the moat: Councillor Bell reported that Historic England has confirmed that the project can commence, and the cost will be in the region of £25,000. It was proposed, seconded and resolved that the Parish Council provides the funding and that work should start as soon as possible. Councillor Bell was thanked for his time and effort spent in pursuing this project. **ACTION:** Councillor Bell to continue to pursue.
- e) Bowling Club Lease: Councillors Slater and Clifford and the Parish Clerk had met with representatives of the Bowling Club to discuss the terms of the draft lease. The Bowling Club is to report back with their members' reactions to the suggestions made, following a meeting on the 15th of January.

19/007 Local Plan Review

Councillor Harrison reported on the outcome of the public meeting held on the 9th of January, attended by 61 parishioners.

- Although village residents, Parish Councillors were not included in the vote at that meeting so it was discussed whether they should be permitted to vote retrospectively, and the results added to those cast on the 9th. It was agreed not to do this,
- Voting at the meeting indicated that Hadnall should remain as countryside and not be classed as a community hub and this result is reflective of the Community Led Plan. However, it was agreed that it is doubtful that Shropshire Council will reverse their decision to propose Hadnall as a hub (and therefore having to take development) as the facilities in the village will not change.
- There is strong objection to the proposed site at Wedgefields. Councillor Slater reported that research had shown that no attenuation tanks were installed at Wedgefields when the development was built. Instead, water is taken by pipe under the road and into the pool. The water table dictates how high the water level in the pool is and, subsequently, how much flooding is likely to occur. There are doubts that a new development next to Wedgefields would impact on the existing flooding problem, however, ditches not being cleared out will add to any problems experienced. It was noted that the Inspector's report on the previous planning application for development on the site (refused on application and subsequent appeal) did not include any reference to flooding.
- Shropshire Councillor Simon Jones advised the Parish Council to challenge being proposed as a Community Hub and to object to the proposed site for development, nominating another site as an alternative. In addition, we should ask to be included in discussions with a developer, as soon as one is appointed. It would benefit the village if the Parish Council works with Shropshire Council to ensure the best site for development is chosen and that the village gains improvements to infrastructure and facilities as a result.
- Shropshire Council has extended the consultation deadline to the 8th of February.
- It was proposed, seconded and resolved that the Parish Council should request a meeting with Eddie West of Shropshire Council, to advise him of the decisions of the parishioners and to agree on how best to proceed as a result. **ACTION:** Parish Clerk to contact Eddie West of Shropshire Council.
- It was also proposed, seconded and resolved that the Planning Sub-Committee be tasked to submit the agreed response to Shropshire Council by the deadline. All Councillors should send their individual responses to Councillor Harrison by the end of the 20th of January.

Councillor Harrison was thanked for putting together the presentation for the Public Meeting and for his continuing hard work in leading with this matter.

19/008 Accounts

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

£493.38	Parish Clerk's salary, mileage and Working from Home Allowance for November and December
£154.60	PAYE for third quarter (repayable to Parish Clerk)
£348.52	Streetlight electricity
£21.98	Printer cartridges (repayable to Parish Clerk)
£30.00	Church floodlighting
£36.00	Solicitor's fee re: Hadnall Bowling Club purchase
£4.02	Postage stamps
£119.31	Materials for footpath work (repayable to Mr. Collins)
£217.20	Street light repairs
£119.95	Christmas lights (repayable to P. Houston)

- 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 proposed, seconded and resolved that the draft budget for 2019/2020 prepared by the Parish Clerk be accepted.
- d) It was proposed, seconded and resolved that the precept for 2019/20 be set at £11,647.00 which is a 0% increase in the Council Tax amount for the next financial year. **ACTION:** Parish Clerk to submit the precept requirement to Shropshire Council, by the deadline of the 31st of January.

19/009 Planning

Councillor Harrison reported the following:

- 17/05454/FUL: Construction of 4 houses on site of Saracens car park. Awaiting decision.
- 18/04465/FUL: Erection of free-range poultry unit at Painsbrook Farm. Awaiting decision.
- 18/04880/TPO: Felling of ash tree at North Cottage, Hadnall. Permission granted.
- 18/05843/FUL: Provision of extensions at Hadnall Primary School. The Planning Sub-Committee will carry out a site visit on the 19th of January 2019.
- 18/05959/FUL: Replacement of existing conservatory with a 2-storey extension. The Planning Sub-Committee will carry out a site visit on the 19th of January 2019.
- It was noted that a Tree Preservation Order has been drafted for 7 oak trees in and around Blacksmith's View, Church Close and the Bowling Club.

19/010 Highways and General Village Matters

- a) Traffic and Road Safety: It was reported that the siding out of the pavement to Painsbrook Lane has still not been carried out, despite being reported to Shropshire Council on several occasions, beginning in January 2018. **ACTION:** Parish Clerk to chase again.
- b) Pavement extension at Astley Lane: It was agreed not to continue with this project.
- c) The Ease: The Chairman reported that he had been asked by the Church if the fence between the churchyard and The Ease can be removed to allow cutting of the hedge. Before a decision is made, it was agreed that Councillor Slater should meet with James Thompson to discuss extending The Ease. **ACTION:** Councillor Slater to arrange to meet with James Thompson.

- d) It was reported that the gate posts at the gate of the footpath that emerges onto Station Road are rotten and require replacing. **ACTION:** Parish Clerk to report to Shropshire Council's Rights of Way Officer.
- e) Parking letters at Hawkestone Close/Chapel Road: It was noted that residents of these roads have been receiving letters regarding parking, purporting to be from a Neighbourhood Watch Group. There is no Neighbourhood Watch Group and the letters have not originated from the Parish Council.

19/011 Correspondence

None received.

19/012 Councillors' Reports

Councillor Bell reported on the SALC Northern Area Committee meeting he and the Parish Clerk attended on the 19th of November 2018. The first speaker (David Perridge, Operations Manager for the Safer Roads Partnership) emphasised that speeding can only be tackled by "engineering a solution". He stated that a stepped layout for speed zones is not effective and there should be one speed limit throughout the village. It was agreed that this could be something requested when any new development begins in the parish.

19/013 Items for Future Agenda

No new ones suggested.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 21.45.

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Date of next meeting: To be confirmed

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