

Shrewley Parish Council

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**Minutes of the Meeting of Shrewley Parish Council held at Shrewley Village Hall
on Monday 6th March 2023 at 7pm**

Present at the Meeting:

Cllr R Wesbury *Chairman*
Cllr R Hinton
Cllr H Darwen
Cllr J Cleary
Cllr D Lawrie
Cllr S Underwood

WDC G Illingworth (arrived 19.45hrs)
WDC R Hales

Clerk Cllr Elaine Forty
Members of the Public: 3

77/22. APOLOGIES Clerk E Choudry, Cllr M Wood, WDC Cllr J Cooke, WCC Cllr Matecki

78/22. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS – None.

79/22. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING - Parish Council Meeting – Monday 9th January 2023 – approved and signed as a true record.

80/22. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES - Cllr Martin Wood will be stepping down from the PC due to other commitments. He was a very active member of the council and will missed.

81/22. PUBLIC OPEN FORUM – Janet Gee Chair of BHHW PC introduced herself as a candidate for WDC elections hoping to be elected and take over from Cllr G Illingworth who is retiring.

82/22 CLIMATE ENGAGEMENT PROGRAMME Claudine Pearson, from WALC came to talk about a new programme to give rural communities a voice for local climate action across South Warwickshire

The climate engagement programme will involve Stratford and WDC together with public support, help parishes tackle climate change and take action in their communities working together with WALC.

There will be events to see what would work best in their parish. There could be pop up stands engaging people to be interested and discuss the benefits to tackle climate change.

Cllr R Wesbury would prefer at this stage to learn from other parishes before we continue. The neighbouring parishes to be included with Shrewley are Beausale, Hatton, Rowington and Lapworth.

WALC have plenty of resources to help setting the programme up.

Signed.....(Chair)

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83/22.PLANNING

W/22/1325 Land On The North West Side Of, Five Ways Road, Shrewley GRANTED 20/01/23
W/22/1534 Ketsoc Lawns, Nunhold Road, Pinley Green, Warwick, CV35 8NA WITHDRAWN 6/1/23
W/22/1657 Pinley Farm, Pinley Road, Hatton, Warwick, CV35 8XQ PRIOR APPROVAL 05/01/23
W/22/1962 Hawthorns, Shaws Lane, Shrewley, Warwick, CV35 7JA GRANTED 5/02/23
W/22/2022 Mill Farm, Mill Lane, Little Shrewley Shrewley Warwick CV35 7HN WITHDRAWN 6/01/23
W/22/1425 Forge Farm, Pinley Lane, Pinley Calverdon CV35 8ND NO OBJECTION 22/2/23
W/23/0028 The Dell, Coffee Pot Lane, Shrewley, Warwick CV35 7HJ NO OBJECTION 20/1/23
W/22/1969 Great Pinley Farm, Nunhold Road, Shrewley, Warwick CV35 8NB NO COMMENT

84/22. WCC REPORT – C Cllr Jan Matecki No report as he was attending a WDC meeting

85/22. WDC REPORT – D Cllr George Illingworth/Richard Hales

Cllr R Hales said as a result of agreeing to sell their council offices and use reserves, WDC is able to freeze part of WDC council tax and give foodbanks that cover WDC a £1000 per week. He mentioned the Kings Coronation Fund which parish councils can apply for funding to help with their celebrations.

The district elections will take place in May so purdah will begin on the 17th March when there is specific restrictions on communications.

Cllr Illingworth is retiring and will not be attending our next meeting. The PC thanked him for all his help during his time as a WDC.

86/22. OTHER PARISH BUSINESS

86.1 Community Emergency Plan – Cllr Lawrie has completed the form for the Village Hall to be proposed as a place of refuge in an emergency. Cllr Lawrie has had no response so is now going to contact CSW resilience team again.

86.2 Climate Action Plan – As Cllr Wood would have normally been involved in this, but as he has stepped down Claudine Pearson has offered to do a presentation if we can email her to arrange this.

86.3 Shrewley Common village green maintenance contract – Councillors all agreed they were very pleased with the maintenance so far, and further maintenance is to be considered for shrubs and bench, ideas will be requested to come from James.

86.4 Parish Assembly Agenda – Everyone was in agreement with the agenda for this. Beverley Baker handed in her report for the Parish Annual Assembly from the Shrewley WI.

86.5 Ferncumbe News complimentary copy delivery - Cllr Wesbury agreed we should request some feedback on the outcome of the process.

86.6 Elections 4th May 2023- Cllr Forty gave the Nomination Papers out to be filled in by Councilors and handed in to Riverside House. They must be handed in by the 4th April. The Nomination papers can be scanned first to Riverside House to be checked. Any problems filling them in please contact the Clerk.

87/22 ONGOING ACTION ITEMS

87.1 Friends of Hatton Station Report – No report received. Discussion was held to ask the Clerk who from Hatton Station might be able to do a report on regular basis for the Parish Council meetings.

87.2 Shrewley website update/ Statutory publication of documents on website – Cllr Wesbury sent the web stats for the meeting 250 individual users, making 379 visits to the website including 58 to the PC page. Cllr Wesbury said it was about the same as the last meeting.

88/22. HIGHWAY AND PUBLIC FOOTPATH/TOWPATH MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR

**88. WCC Fault Reporting System: Register to track and report highway problems
Highway Fault Reports**

88.1 Faulty VAS -reported again. Cllr Dyson will chase up

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- 88.2 Broken crossroads sign Five Ways Road/Stoney Lane** – Cllr Cleary is contacting Michael Newham, Highways, again for an update.
- 88.3 Drain opposite shop, Shrewley Common** – Cllr Cleary said at the moment no repairs will be done due to the cost and they would have to close the road.
- 88.4 Reported smell from drain in Mill Lane, Little Shrewley-** The drain has been marked up.
- 88.5 Street light repairs, Shrewley Common** – The speed sign outside the village hall is not working, Cllr Forty reported the fault, it was acknowledged, WCC Cllr Matecki said if it is not repaired within a reasonable time to get back to him.
- 88.6 Blocked Drain Mill Lane, Little Shrewley** – Cllr Wesbury said a WDC jetter appeared, men got out and seemed to look at drains under the oak tree on The Green 3rd March, but disappeared with no action,.
- 88.7 WCC Verge Management Policy 2023** – Cllr Wesbury received a 4-page application form to apply for the selected rural roadside verges we named to be cut in a different manor allowing biodiversity. Verges to be cut once a year in August or September.
- 88.8 Footpath fault report** – No reports.
- 88.9 Broken waymark post Mill Lane, Little Shrewley-** No action to date
- 88.10 Towpath maintenance east end Shrewley Tunnel** – Cllr Underwood confirmed the maintenance was going well and can see an improvement.

89/22. CORRESPONDENCE – No comments.

90/22. VILLAGE HALL UPDATE – Cllr Lawrie, reported that due to increase in electricity charges there will be a rent increase being announced in March. They are now accepting cashless payments at its events which has been very successful. A Coronation Party is being planned for 7th May which they are hoping to get financial support from the council. A display case has been installed in the Village Hall by the Village Show Group where various cups won will be on display. Brain Sparks has stepped down from the team after many years of service the Committee wished him all the best for the future. The Village Hall by the end of March should be getting Broadband and Wi-Fi.

91/22. MEETINGS ATTENDED BY COUNCILLORS – None.

92/22. FINANCE

92.1 Quarterly accounting checks- Completed by Cllr Wesbury. Cllr Forty will do the next check.

92.2 VAT not to be claimed until 2023/24 as it does not meet criteria.

92.3 Permission to pay items listed below proposed by Cllr Dyson, seconded by Cllr Underwood and unanimously approved.

Cheque/ BACS	Payee	Amount £
BACS	Clerk February Salary(Net),Postage £0, Printing Ink £0	279.00
BACS	HMRC February Income tax	69.75
BACS	Clerk March Salary, Mileage £0, Postage £0	279.00
BACS	HMRC March Income Tax	69.75
BACS	Gardening Maintenance James Ltd	450.00
BACS	Clerk Homeworking Allowance £5 per month	60.00
BACS	CPRE Membership Renewal	36.00
BACS	Grant Application Form-Ferncumbe Youth club	100.00
BACS	Grant Application Form-subsidise March edition Ferncumbe News	300.00
BACS	Gardening Maintenance James Ltd	
	Total	1643.50

93/22. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Tuesday March 28th - Annual Assembly 7pm 2023. Volunteers from the PC said they will help set up pm for the evening meeting.

94/22. CLOSURE OF MEETING – The meeting closed at 9.15pm.

Signed.....(Chair)

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