

# SHREWLEY PARISH COUNCIL

## *Minutes of the Meeting of Shrewley Parish Council held in Shrewley Village Hall on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2018 at 7.45pm*

### Present at the Meeting:

Cllr P Tilley  
Cllr R G Wesbury  
Cllr W Morley-Brown  
Cllr W D Lawrie  
Cllr N Soutter  
Cllr H Darwen  
Cllr M Wood  
C Cllr L Caborn

Chairman  
Vice Chairman

Clerk Eleanor Choudry

Members of the Public: 5

**126/18. APOLOGIES** – D Cllr S Gallagher, D Cllr P Whiting

**127/18. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS** – None.

**128/18. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING** – Parish Council Meeting – Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2018 approved and signed as a true record

**129/18. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES** – None

**130/18. PUBLIC OPEN FORUM** – None.

**131/18. PLANNING** –

W/17/2350 Abbeyfield, Case Lane, Shrewley, Warwick, CV35 7JD SPC NO OBJECTION 23/1/18
W/18/0052 4 Ash Close, Shrewley, Warwick, CV35 7BL SPC NO OBJECTION 1/2/18
W/18/0067 The Mill, Mill Lane, Little Shrewley, Shrewley, Warwick, CV35 7HN NO OBJECTION 12/2/18
W/18/0304 Tunnel Barn, Tunnel Barn Farm, Shrewley Common, Shrewley, CV35 7AN

**132/18. WCC REPORT** – Council tax has increased by 4.99% with 2% ring fenced for Social Care. £2.5 million is being spent to transform services so they are more straightforward and convenient as part of a digital transformation programme. Also £220k has been allocated for fibre optic to cover black spot areas; £108k on libraries; £150k for dealing with the problems associated with homelessness; £100k to digitalise the Heritage Collection, and £120k on encouraging health and well being. Specialist SEN hubs are being funded across 6 schools in Warwickshire. The Rural Growth Plan has been circulated.

**133/18. WDC REPORT** - WDC has approved the Council tax for 2018/19 with only a £5 increase. Warwick District is in the bottom quartile of all English councils for its council charge. St Nicholas Leisure Centre in Warwick will be re-opening on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> March after its makeover. WDC funded Leisure Centres previously cost the taxpayer several hundred thousand pounds each year and will now deliver an income of over a million pounds per annum, with an expected increase in membership.

**134/18. OTHER PARISH BUSINESS**

**134.1 Parish Councillor Co-option** – Shrewley Common resident Elaine Forty has expressed an interest in the councillor vacancy. Mrs Forty will attend the May meeting.

Signed.....(Chair)

Date.....

**134.2 Notice boards Hatton Station** – Cllr Soutter has agreed to construct a replacement notice board for Hatton Station as the current notice board is rotten.

**134.3 Annual Assembly Action Items – Shrewley Common Traffic Calming** – Cllr Caborn has sent details of the required 30mph gates and their position near to the Durham Ox to Jo Edwards and is awaiting the reply.

**134.4 Annual Assembly Action Item – WDC Tree Officer** – The Clerk had emailed Mark Ryder requesting a tree survey in the parish due to two oak trees that had fallen on the Five Ways Road. The email explained that all the trees were planted at the same time raising concerns over their safety. No response was received, Cllr Caborn to investigate lack of response.

**134.5 Annual Assembly Action Item – Parish Tree Survey** – Clerk had requested that Richard Curtis provide data gathered to date to the PC and confirm whether there is sufficient data for the Annual Assembly. No response was received.

**134.6 Annual Assembly Action Item – Hatton Station Speed Survey** – Radar survey to go ahead on the south side of Hatton Station railway bridge. Depending on the results another survey to the north of the bridge may be arranged.

**134.1 Welcome to Shrewley Flyer** – The flyers containing information regarding notice boards/website were given to Cllrs to distribute to new residents.

#### **135/18. ONGOING ACTION ITEMS**

**135.1 FOHS** – Chiltern Railways are to remark the old car park spaces when the weather improves. Jeremy Wright MP has contacted Network Rail regarding the refurbishment of Hatton Station bridge.

**135.2 Ferncumbe School Bus Submission**– The proposed bus is an item at the Annual Assembly. Cllr Caborn is contacting John Edwards.

**135.3. Shrewley website update / Statutory publication of documents on website** – Visitors have doubled since 2016. Linda Wesbury has moved links to local websites including WCC and WDC to the front page. Statutory documents are up to date on the website.

**135.4 Annual Assembly Tuesday 4rd April** – Cllrs ranked in order of importance ten topics for discussion at the Annual Assembly with the top three subjects being chosen. Flyers will be distributed to all residents from 24<sup>th</sup> March. Ferncumbe Primary School are contacting their parents with the details.

#### **136/18. HIGHWAY AND PUBLIC FOOTPATH/TOWPATH MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR –**

A patching order has been raised for the Station Road/B4439 junction as the surface is deteriorating. Repair to the eroded road surface between 100 and 102 Station Road has been completed. The Community Payback Scheme is to be asked to help reinstate the footpath along Case Lane to Five Ways island. A request has been made to WCC Forestry to prune back the conifers at the end of Ash Close. Two potholes opposite Boundary Cottage B4439 have been reported. Six footpath fault reports which were submitted online for Shrewley last year remain unresolved. A broken marker post at the rear of the Village Hall has been reported. Cllr Caborn to investigate the possibility of WCC Highways establishing a 'Road Champion' in each parish who would liaise with the department regarding repairs.

**137/18. CORRESPONDENCE** – Resident Jean Andrews had suggested a brunch club for elderly residents in the parish. After further discussion she decided not to pursue the idea. A complaint had been received regarding traffic entering/exiting Banana Moon Nursery at Oakslade Farm. No other complaints had been received.

**138/18. VILLAGE HALL UPDATE** - New hall chairs have been delivered and the new curtains will arrive shortly. Due to problems with the main drain a pipe had to be relined costing nearly £4k. A contribution towards this will hopefully be available from the Community Forum. 'Murder on the Orient Express' is showing at the film night on 13<sup>th</sup> April. There is a quiz night on 8<sup>th</sup> June and a race night on 16<sup>th</sup> November.

Signed.....(Chair)

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**139/18. MEETINGS ATTENDED BY CLLRS – None.**

**140/18. FINANCE**

**140.1 Village Hall Grant Application Form –** The completed grant application for 2018/19 was circulated prior to the meeting by the Clerk. The application was proposed by Cllr Morley-Brown, seconded by Cllr Wesbury and unanimously approved. The payment will be listed on the May Agenda.

**140.2.** Permission to pay proposed by Cllr Wood, seconded by Cllr Darwen and unanimously approved.

Cheque No	Payee	Amount £
000738	Clerk February Salary(Net),Postage £0, Printing Ink £0, Stationery £2.40	235.41 2.40
000738	HMRC February Income tax	58.83
000738	Clerk March Salary, Mileage £0, Postage £0	235.41
000738	HMRC March Income Tax	58.83
000738	Clerk Homeworking Allowance £5 per month	60.00
000739	Flower bed maintenance – J Andrews	60.00
000740	CPRE Membership Renewal	36.00
000741	Reimbursement David Lawrie- R Robinson Lawn Mowing	26.00
	<b>Total</b>	<b>772.88</b>

**141/18. DATE OF NEXT MEETING –** Annual Assembly to be held on Tuesday 3rd April 7pm.

**142/18. CLOSURE OF MEETING –** The meeting closed at 9.50pm.

Signed.....(Chair)

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