

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL
ON MONDAY, 11th APRIL 2016 AT 7.30 p.m.**

Present: Councillors Mrs. S.A. Beaman
D.A. Cook
R.J. Cotham
D. S. Cowie (Chairman)
M.J. Edwards
D. Harris
R.S. Parr
D.A. Whitmore

Also present: Shropshire Councillor Mrs. Tina Woodward

Apologies: Councillor J.R. Caswell – business reasons
Councillor S.J. Lawrence – business reasons
Councillor Mrs. J.C. Marsh – personal reasons

DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

No pecuniary interests were declared.

MINUTES of the meeting held on 14th March 2016, having been distributed to all Councillors, were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

54/16 Claverley in Bloom

Councillor Parr's report had been forwarded to all the councillors.

The Spring fund-raising event held on 12th March, at which The Hype had performed, had raised just over £800. These funds will be used to pay for the purchase of additional trees and shrubs for the Aston Lane bank and daffodil bulbs for planting later in the year.

CIB had purchased 98 assorted wildflower plants which will be planted in the churchyard on 14th April by a party of children from Claverley School. A whole class of 29 children had taken part in a litter pick session when a large amount of litter had been collected. CIB had carried out a litter pick on approach roads to Claverley on 10th April when 20 bags of litter had been collected. Fresh litter had been dropped within an hour of the clean up by CIB.

55/16 QEII Jubilee Field

Councillor Cook reported it had not been possible for the football club to play home matches as the far end of the pitch had been too wet. Councillor Cotham said that the school drains ran down the left hand side of the pitch.

56/16 Parish Plan

The Clerk reported that so far not many people had asked to borrow hard copies of the Parish Plan and the Community Survey Final Report.

57/16 Street Lights

Garry Johnson, E.ON, had informed the Clerk that it will be necessary to block off Church Street in order to replace the street light near the village hall so it was therefore proposed to carry out the work on a Sunday to reduce disruption.

E.ON had managed to purchase enough MBFU (Mercury) lamps to be able to change them in the coming year's maintenance so they will not need replacing until March 2019.

58/16 Defibrillator

Councillor Beaman reported the British Heart Foundation would be putting out another offer on defibrillators later in April. She would be receiving an email alert so the Parish Council could submit a prompt application.

Mrs. Atkinson had checked prices of defibrillators. The price for a Defibtech AED with a 5 year battery and wall cabinet was £1168.00 plus VAT. At present there was a special offer (35% off) on a Zoll AED Plus defibrillator with a price of £882.17 plus VAT. An alarmed wall cabinet for the Zoll AED would cost £271.00 plus VAT and the wall storage bracket £136.00 plus VAT.

59/16 Christmas Lights

Councillor Parr did not have anything to report.

60/16 VAT

Councillor Whitmore informed the meeting that he was going to the office of HM Revenue & Customs on 12th April.

61/16 Telford Auto Club Car Rally

Philip Dunne had expressed concerns about the car rally to Shropshire Council and had sent a copy of the reply he had received in which Dr. Paul McCreary, Head of Business Support and Regulatory Services, had stated "the noise from a road vehicle on a public highway would not constitute a statutory nuisance and would not be caught by legislation."

Ian Connolly, Traffic Management Advisor and Highway Events Co-ordinator had informed the Clerk he had not had any response from the MSA other than to confirm receipt of his letter. He will continue to chase them for a reply.

62/16 Casual Vacancies

The Clerk had advertised the vacancies but to date no one had expressed an interest.

63/16 Church Clock Repairs

Discussion took place regarding the request by the Revd. Garry Ward for the Parish Council to fund the cost of the church clock repairs amounting to £1886.00 plus VAT.

It was agreed that the church clock was appreciated by the community but as the precept and budget had been set for 2016/2017 the Parish Council would be unable to fund the repairs this financial year but would be willing to contribute on a match fund basis in 2017/2018.

Action: Clerk to inform the Revd. Ward

64/16 **PLANNING**

New Applications

16/00932/FUL) Erection of single storey side extension affecting a Grade II Listed Building, 16/01028/LBC) The White Cottage, 17 High Street, Claverley for Mr. M. Lewis
The Parish Council did not have any objections.

16/01073/FUL Erection of two storey side extension, Newlands, Heathton for Ms G. Marsh
The Parish Council did not have any objections.

16/01241/FUL Erection of conservatory to side of existing bungalow, Dalkey, 44 The Wold, Claverley for Mr. D. Hand
The Parish Council did not have any objections.

16/01265/FUL Erection of two-storey extension 13 Danford Heath, Claverley for Mr. Terry and Mrs. Wendy Brissett
The Parish Council did not have any objections.

Application withdrawn

16/00948/FUL Erection of a two storey extension and associated works, Yew Tree Cottage, Farmcote for Mr. Elliot Lynch

65/16 **UNITARY REPORT**

Councillor Woodward reported she had raised the problems associated with the Telford Auto Club car rally with the Bronze Tasking group. She was also monitoring the various planning applications and highways issues.

66/16 **AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2016**

The Clerk had received notification from Mazars, the external auditor, that the statutory deadline for the Parish Council to approve the Annual Return will be 30th June and the Annual Return must be received by Mazars by 6th July.

67/16 **WEBSITE**

The Web Site Maintenance Agreement had been circulated to councillors prior to the meeting.

Action: Clerk to sign and return the Agreement to Kensa Creative Ltd.

68/16 **PARISH MATTERS**

The residents of 21 The Wold were leaving their recycling bins at the front of the house.

Action: Clerk to speak to the householders to see if the bins could be stored at the rear of their property.

Councillor Cotham informed the meeting that Graham Downes, Shropshire Highways, had been in contact with the new owners of Chyknell regarding measures to slow down the flow of water to Damson Hollow.

Councillor Edwards commented the work carried out to the BT ducting in High Street had been done very efficiently.

69/16 **CORRESPONDENCE**

Request for an additional street light for Pound Street

Mr. Atkinson had requested an additional street light to be sited outside Powk Hall Barns for pedestrian safety. After discussion it was decided the Council was unable to support the request as it did not consider a further street light was required in this location.

Draft Supplementary Planning Documents - consultation

Following Cabinet approval, Shropshire Council had published for consultation three draft Supplementary Planning Documents relating to the Type and Affordability of Housing, the Natural Environment and the Historic Environment. Any responses should be submitted by 29th April. Councillors had read the documents but did not wish to make any comments.

Notification of road closure

Notification had been received that part of High Street between the junction with Lodge Park and the junction with the Paddock will be closed from 18th to 22nd April (24 hrs.) for the laying of BT duct for the BDUK contract.

Emergency Planning Briefing

Notification had been received that the annual Town and Parish Briefing will be held on Wednesday, 1st June at the Shirehall from 6.30 p.m. to 8.30 p.m.

Bridgnorth, Wosrfield, Alveley, Claverley & Brown Clee Local Joint Committee meeting

The next meeting of the Local Joint Committee will be held on Wednesday, 13th April at The People's Hall Evangelical Church, St. John Street, Bridgnorth commencing at 7.00 p.m.

Shropshire Association of Local Councils – ballot for Buckingham Palace Garden Party

Each year SALC is invited to nominate two individual chairmen/town mayors and their partners to attend the Summer Garden Party at Buckingham Palace. Notification had been received the Councillor Cowie had been successful in the ballot.

70/16 **REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS**

Wolverhampton Airport Consultative Committee

Councillor Parr reported he had been unable to attend the Wolverhampton Airport Consultative Committee meeting held on 16th March. He understood Oliver Reeves, representing MCR, the new owners, had informed the meeting that Alastair Mackinnon, the Operations Manager, will be remaining in position. MCR was working to create a long term vision for the site aimed at a sustainable future as an airport.

71/16 **CHEQUES**

Chq. No. 001307	Claverley Village Hall Committee – use of Village Hall for meetings April 2016 to March 2017.....	£156.00
001308	NALC - annual subscription to Local Council Review.....	£17.00
001309	Kensa Creative Ltd. – annual fee for hosting and maintenance of website.....	£288.00
001310	Shropshire Association of Local Councils – annual renewal of membership.....	£593.13
001311	Mrs. G.M. Price - Clerk’s salary for 4 th quarter 2015/16.....	£686.27

It was proposed by Councillor Whitmore, seconded by Councillor Cook and agreed by the Council to pass the cheques for payment.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.15 p.m.

Date of Annual Parish Meeting: Monday, 25th April at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall

Date of Annual Council Meeting: Monday, 9th May at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall