

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD IN MYDDLE VILLAGE HALL ON
WEDNESDAY MAY 6TH. 2015 AT 7.30 PM.**

Public Session:

No members of the public were present and no issues were raised.

Present:

Mr. R. Jeffrey (Chairman)

Mrs. E. Hodge

Mr. G. Harding

Mr. R. Jones

Mr. R. Purslow

Mr. C. Ruck

Mr. J. Heath

Mr. R. Tiernan

Mr. S. Parker

In Attendance:

Shropshire Councillor B. Williams.

Parish Clerk.

15/01 Apologies:

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor Mr. P. Keyse.

15/02 Disclosure of Personal or Prejudicial Interests:

None declared.

15/03

(a) Election of Chairman

Mr. R. Jeffrey was proposed, seconded and elected on a unanimous vote.

(b) Election of Vice-Chairman

Mr. C. Ruck was proposed, seconded and elected on a unanimous vote.

The Chairman and Vice Chairman both signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

15/04 Representatives:

The following appointments were made:

SALC Area Committee – Mr. R. Jeffrey.

Wem & Shawbury Local Joint Committee – Mr. R. Purslow.

Harmer Hill Village Hall Committee – Mr. R. Tiernan.

Myddle Village Hall Committee – Mr. G. Harding.

Shropshire Council Emergency Committee – Mr. R. Jones.

Helicopter Noise Consultative Committee – Mr. P. Keyse.

15/05 Minutes of the meeting held on March 4th. 2015:

The minutes of the meeting, having been circulated, were approved and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

15/06 Matters Arising:(a) Lower Road, Harmer Hill (14/94(a)):

It was noted that most of the outstanding work had been completed. However there was a need to 'stone' some of the areas between the new road surface and the verge.

Clerk to discuss this with Mr. Steve Oakley.

(b) Highway Issues (14/94(b)):

1. Chairman advised Members that he had followed up the outstanding issues and reported the detailed response he had received from Mr. David Gradwell. Very little progress was being made and Shropshire Councillor Brian Williams outlined the many problems facing the Highways Department and the overall difficulties in working with the engaged contractors Ringway.

2. The concerns of residents about the speed of vehicles and accidents on the Myddle to Baschurch Road was highlighted. Some remedial work had already been carried out and Councillor Williams confirmed that further improvement work was planned.

3. It was reported that the Red Castle Public House 'A' board had been moved back to its original position and could cause a traffic hazard. Clerk to ask Mr. Oakley to take action.

(c) War Memorial Committee (14/94(g)):

The Chairman outlined the remit of the Committee, which was to up-grade the War Memorial and to create a Book of Remembrance, giving details of each soldier who had died in the war. A public launch had been made and without any requests for financial help a total of £265.00 had already been donated and other help promised.

(d) Harmer Hill Development Boundary

Mr. Adrian Cooper had confirmed that an error had been made in drawing up the SAMDev plan and this would be corrected in the final version of the document.

(e) Local Council Award Scheme (14/102):

Clerk reported that all the information needed was now on the web site and he would be asking SALC to consider the application after the Annual Parish Meeting.

The Clerk had been invited to be a panel member reviewing other applications.

Successful Parishes would be given a 5% discount on subsequent Insurance policy payments.

(f) Broadband Information Event (14/106):

Mr. Ruck reported that there was a low attendance but overall it had been a successful session. Reports indicated that there was a 'high take up' of the new faster service. The Chairman thanked him for organising the event.

15/07 Consideration and decisions regarding Major Grants:

Representatives from the Village Hall Committees and the Churches were in attendance and up-dated Members on the current state of their organisation's finances and outlined problems likely to be faced in the coming year.

Having considered the reports and studied the accounts, Members confirmed the following grants:

Village Hall Committees	£1,000.00 (each).
Myddle Church (Burial Ground)	£250.00
Broughton Church (Burial Ground)	£250.00
Messenger	£500.00

15/08 Accounts for Payment:

It was resolved to pay the following accounts:

Mr. J. Wilson	Salary (April/May)	£683.33
Mr. J. Wilson	Expenses (March/April)	£92.95
Inland Revenue	Income Tax/NI (April/May)	£195.41
R. Mayall & Daughter	Harmer Hill playing field rent	£180.00
Mrs. D. Malley	Payroll services	£48.00
SALC	Annual Membership Fee	£461.62
Scottish Power	Electricity charges (31/12/14-31/03/15)	£168.08
Shropshire Council	Myddle playing field rent	£300.00
Nobridge Ltd.	Ground maintenance (27/03&10/04)	£305.28
SALC	Training fees (Chairman and Clerk)	£40.00
NALC	Award Scheme – registration fee	£60.00
Mr. A. Dawson	Mole catching	£200.00
Nobridge Ltd.	Ground maintenance (24/04)	£152.64
Mr. C. Ruck	Travelling expenses	£22.00

15/09 Financial Statement:

A financial statement was tabled and approved.

15/10 Planning Applications:

A. The following applications had been received and were considered and responded to:

Rosewood, Wood Terrace, Myddlewood – variation of condition 7 (size of property).

(Application withdrawn).

Roden Farm Barn – removal of condition requiring commercial use.

Application supported.

New dwelling west of Yorton Heath Farm.

Application objected to – outside the agreed development boundary and in open farm land.

Outline Application for the erection of two dwellings on land in Godings Lane.

Application objected to as it is outside the agreed development boundary and the Parish has already reached the agreed target for new housing. Shropshire Councillor Williams agreed to support the Parish Council's objection.

Burlton Lane Farm, Myddle – extension to free range poultry units.

For information only.

B. The following applications had been approved by Shropshire Council:

Jasmine Cottage, Myddle – extensions.

11, Pimhill Lane, Harmer Hill – single storey extension,

Willow Tree Cottage, Marton - conversion of an unused cubicle into a cattery.

Land to South of Bentley Farm, Loppington – Removal of condition No 4 attached to planning approval.

15/11 Community Led Plan:

The following reports were tabled:

Traffic and Transport:

Chairman pointed out that most of the issues had been discussed under ‘Matters Arising’ but stated that he and Mr. Tiernan were trying to identify the problems faced by residents using public transport. At present Harmer Hill residents were unable to get to Wem or Baschurch by bus and they were seeing if the current routes could be adjusted. If not, there was a need to try and set up a volunteer car system and/or make sure the public were aware of the service provided by Dial a Ride.

Community Spirit and Amenities:

No report tabled.

Housing:

No progress on affordable housing needs could be addressed until a decision had been made on the application to build on land adjacent to Harmer Hill Village Hall.

Business and Farming:

No report, as Mr. Keyse was unable to attend the meeting because of work commitments.

15/12 Police Report

Crime figures for February:

Myddle – Anti-Social Behaviour 1.

To date, March figures had not been published.

15/13 Correspondence:

Members noted the following correspondence, most of which had already been circulated.

Dianne Dorrell – Vacancies.

Dianne Dorrell – Newsletter.

Alison McCann – Finding UK’s lost play areas.

Katie Cameron – New National Plant Monitoring Scheme.

Dianne Dorrell - Newsletter March 13th.

Police Commissioner – weekly newsletter.

Claire Elsdon – Building Stronger Local Communities.

Dianne Dorrell – Health and Well Being Newsletter.

Carnegie Assoc. - Lost Playing Fields.

Adrian Cooper – Harmer Hill - planning boundary.

Fiona Leighton – Election posters.

Police Commissioner – Quarterly Newsletter.

Shropshire Council – Community Infrastructure Policy.

Dianne Dorrell – Community Health News.

Highways Department – removal of a seat in Yorton.

Dianne Dorrell – Incredible Edible Shropshire Grant Funding.

Dianne Dorrell – NALC Newsletter. April 13th.

Dianne Dorrell – Bulletin April 2nd.

Inspector A. Klair – accidents/speeding on the Myddle to Baschurch Road.

P.C. Dave Carpenter – accidents/speeding on the Myddle to Baschurch Road.

Clerk outlined the responses that had been received from the police. It appeared that only two accidents had been recorded out of the seven incidents that had taken place. This was because the other incidents did not involve personal injury.

It was then agreed that the Council should keep a list of reported incidents/accidents in the Parish and forward these to the police at appropriate times.

Karen Roper – Big Green Shropshire Gathering.

Patrick Cosgrove – Broadband provision (2).

Paul Middleton – Local needs exception site.

Had indicated that Mr. & Mrs Allen were prepared to attend a Council meeting and outline their case for a site. There had been no further contact.

Shropshire Council – Health and Wellbeing Newsletter (March).

Safer Roads Partnership.

Clerk reported that the Partnership had been asked to monitor roads throughout the Parish and had confirmed that action was being taken to carry out a programme of visits. The local police had carried out some speed checks.

15/14 Committee Reports:

Local Joint Committee:

Mr. Purslow reported that the meeting held on March 24th. had been given details of changes to the Library Service provided by Shropshire Council. Unless local organisations were prepared to manage the service they would only provide libraries in the major Market Towns and other areas would be served by a mobile library. Where no organisation had sufficient finance to do this, a consultation programme would take place.

With reference to the youth service in the area, the LJC was recommending that a Youth Officer should be engaged to oversee it for two years funded by Shropshire Council, after which it would have to be self-financing. The Youth Officer would be expected to set up clubs in Wem and Shawbury and give advice and help to the rural communities.

Harmer Hill Village Hall:

Mr. Tiernan reported that the development plans had been outlined by the treasurer in the earlier report.

Myddle Village Hall:

Mr. Harding confirmed that he was assisting the committee with procuring quotes for, amongst other things, work on the roof and the hall floor.

15/15 Harmer Hill Playing Field:

Clerk advised Members that the lease had been drawn up in April 1999. It was decided that no further action was needed.

15/16 Yorton Village Seat:

Members considered a report they had received from Shropshire Council which indicated that the growth of the adjacent tree was being restricted by the seat. The Chairman agreed to speak to Mr. Griffiths to see what remedial action could be taken to improve the situation.

15/17 CIL Money:

It was agreed to 'ring fence' the money until there were sufficient funds to tackle issues that had been raised in the Place Plan.

15/18 Section 137 Grants

It was agreed to consider any application for grants at the January meeting, with any approved payments made at the March meeting.

15/19 Exchange of Additional Information:

Mr. Purslow queried where information could be obtained regarding the service that Doctors Practices were expected to provide.

Councillor Williams promised to provide some information.

15/20 Annual Parish Meeting:

The agenda for the meeting was confirmed although it was noted that the Police Commissioner was unable to attend and that his deputy would be in attendance.

15/21 Date of Next Meeting:

Wednesday, June 24th. at 7.30pm in Harmer Hill Village Hall.

Minutes approved as a true record:

Signed: B. Jeffrey Chairman

Date: June 24th. 2015