

**MYDDLE, BROUGHTON AND HARMER HILL PARISH COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD IN HARMER HILL VILLAGE HALL  
ON WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 1<sup>st</sup> 2017 AT 7.30 PM.**

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**Public Session.**

Mr. Jeremy Shingler was in attendance, outlined his plans and answered questions regarding the proposed development of office accommodation and properties on the Hillside Garage site in Myddle.

It was suggested by Members that there was a need for an improved footpath to allow future residents easier access to the Village.

The Chairman thanked him for the information, stated that the Council had received details of the planning application and this would be considered later in the meeting.

Four other members of the public were present but no issues were raised.

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**Present:**

Mr. C. Ruck (Chairman).

Mr. R. Purslow

Mr. G. Harding

Mr. R. Jones

Mrs. E. Hodge

Ms. J. Bienek

Mr. I. Anderson

Mr. L. Foulsham

**In Attendance:**

Shropshire Councillor B. Williams.

The Parish Clerk.

Two members of the public.

**17/58 Apologies:**

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillors R. Tiernan and J. Heath.

**17/59 Disclosure of Personal or Prejudicial Interests.**

There were no interests declared.

**17/60 Minutes of the meeting held on September 13<sup>th</sup>. 2017.**

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

**17/61 Matters Arising.**

**(a)Highways issues:**

It was noted that none of the issues raised in previous meetings had been dealt with and Shropshire Councillor B. Williams stated that only urgent issues were being carried out before Ringway ceased working for the Council – a new contractor had been appointed and would begin work in April 2018

(b) Wem Road, Harmer Hill – VAS signals (17/47):

It was reported that a meeting had been held with a representative from E.ON and Mr. D. Gradwell (Shropshire Council) to explore the possible location of a VAS sign at the entrance to Harmer Hill from both directions on the Wem Road. Efforts were being undertaken to have them linked to an electricity supply and quotations had yet to be received. If this was not possible solar powered signs would be installed.

Members approved the plan and agreed to the Chairman and Vice Chairman placing an order for the contract once satisfactory quotations were obtained.

(c) Harmer Hill Play Area Lease:

Details had been completed and the lease was currently with the Land Registry for registration.

(d) Harmer Hill Play Area (17/47):

Councillor R. Purslow and the Clerk had met with Mr. Ray Parry who had produced and costed a plan for the site. The outline plan was circulated and it was noted that the cost would be in the region of £18,500.00 but it was possible to modify the plan if required. The Clerk reported that he had secured the promise of a grant of £5,000.00 from the Hilton-Jones Trust and Sue Thomas would help to secure a grant from Shropshire Council's Youth Fund.

He was also completing an application for grant aid from Tesco. Money was available in the budget for projects and CIL/Neighbourhood money could be used.

Councillor Purslow offered to discuss the plans with local residents and it was agreed that the detailed costing would be considered as part of the budget setting process. At that time the order would be placed.

(e) Wem Road – daffodils (17/41(e) :

It was reported that Mr. Shingler had made a generous donation of £100.00; daffodils had been purchased and Councillor Purslow had arranged for them to be planted.

The Clerk was asked to send a letter of thanks to Mr. Shingler.

(f) Dog fouling (public session):

Clerk reported that a suitable information banner had been obtained from Wem Town Council and erected by the school. No further complaints had been received.

(g) Community Led/Neighbourhood Plans 17/52(Other):

Clerk reported on a meeting held in Shirehall to discuss the need for plans which would help direct future planning. Parish Plans would no longer form part of the planning process and would not be seen in any context as relevant after four years.

If a plan was to have any impact, it needed to be a Neighbourhood Plan which was more comprehensive and needed advice and support of professional people in the Parish and from outside but they were not cheap to produce. Much Wenlock and Shifnal had produced plans and Stoke on Tern was heavily involved in the process. They should be seen in context with the proposed development for the County over the next twenty years.

It was noted that new planning development proposals had been produced and circulated which indicated that Myddle would be seen as a Hub, whereas Harmer Hill was a Countryside area.

Shropshire Council was seeking offers of land for possible development and these would be published in the New Year, at which time Members would be able to assess the possible impact of suggested development in Myddle. Harmer Hill would only have ‘infill’ development.

It was decided to take no further action until this information was available.

(h) Myddle Pump (17/55(2))

Councillor Harding reported that he had carried out some emergency work on the pump but there was still a need to secure the framework. He and the Chairman would carry out further repairs.

(i) Parking on access to Myddle Playing Field:

It was reported that the resident who had caused the obstruction had moved away and at present there was not a problem. Concern was expressed at how the property had been allocated to a new resident and Shropshire Councillor B. Williams explained in detail the process that was carried out with Home Point and Meres and Mosses to select the most appropriate tenant.

Clerk reported that Carol Clarke (Housing Officer) was checking the allocation with a Meres and Mosses representative.

**17/62 Accounts for Payment.**

It was resolved to pay the following accounts:

Mr. J. Wilson	Salary (Oct/Nov.)	£522.58
Mr. J. Wilson	Expenses (Sept/Oct.)	£90.73
Inland Revenue		£374.75
Nobridge Ltd.	Ground Maintenance (Aug 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 23 <sup>rd</sup> .)	£305.28
Richmond Building Supplies	Hedge Cutting adjacent to No.5 Hillside	£105.00
J. Parker (Wholesale Bulbs) Ltd.	Daffodil bulbs	£43.15
Mr. C. Ruck	I.T. support (1/08/17 – 1/08/18)	£120.00
Scottish Power	Electricity charges (30/06 -30/09)	£171.86
EON	Streetlight repair (opp. Red Lion)	£87.80
Royal British Legion	Poppy wreath	£17.00

**17/63 Financial Statement.**

A financial statement was tabled and approved.

**17/64 Correspondence.**

Details of correspondence received since the last meeting had been forwarded to Members and these were considered. Please see attached list.

The following were discussed in detail:

1. A report from Eon indicated that an EU directive stated that all Low Pressure Sodium lighting had to be phased out by the end of 2019. Currently there were 24 of this type of lamp in use in the Parish. The cost per light was about £250.00.  
These would need to be replaced in stages.
2. A letter from Shropshire Council stating that the cost of the Parish Council elections held in May was £1,140.45 which would be invoiced in the next financial year.
3. Proposed changes in the Environmental Maintenance Grant allocation.

#### **17/65 Planning Applications.**

A. The following planning applications had been received and were considered with no objections raised to any of them.

- (a) Well House Farm – revised new access to an existing agricultural field.
- (b) GWR Ltd. Sleaf – erection of an extension to side of existing building.
- (c) 6, Webscott Myddle – erection of a conservatory.
- (d) Sleaf Airfield – erection of an aircraft hangar
- (e) The Old Dairy, Wood Farm, Myddlewood – erection of a stable block, tack and feed room to include change of use of land to equestrian.
- (f) Proposed residential development on land north of Robin Hill, Lower Road, Myddle.

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

- (a) The Old Granary, Wood Farm, Myddlewood – conversion of an agricultural building to residential use and conversion of stables.
- (b) The Old Dairy, Wood Farm, Myddlewood – installation of a steel flue for wood burning stove.
- (c) Newton House Farm, Newton on the Hill – variation of condition 2 and change of use from service line to main line + u/g supply, also change of land use from agriculture to domestic associated with the barn conversion..
- (d) Castle Farm, Myddle – erection of two story extensions to rear and side.

#### **17/66 Community Led Plan.**

(a) Traffic and Transport:

No report tabled.

(b) Community Spirit:

No report tabled.

(c) Housing:

Councillor Purslow reported that various sites had been considered for the development of some affordable housing in the Parish. Mr. Ian Richards from Shropshire Rural Housing Trust had been involved and it was agreed that the most suitable location would be on Glebe Land adjacent to Myddle Church. Mr. Richards was meeting on site with Lichfield Diocese agents to consider the suggested plan, which was to build two houses and two bungalows. It was agreed to invite Mr. Richards to the next Council meeting.

(d) Business and Farming:

No report tabled.

**17/67 Police Report.**Incidents recorded in July:Myddle:

Lower Road – Burglary -1 (No suspect identified).

Harmer Hill:

The Hollow – Public Order offence - 1 (Awaiting Court outcome).

Violence – 1 (Awaiting Court outcome.)

Holly Bank – Theft -1 (Under investigation).

Cambridge Close – Anti-Social-Behaviour - 1

Incidents recorded in August:Myddle:

Alford Grange – Anti-Social-Behaviour -1

Welcroft – Violence -2 (Under investigation).

**17/68 Committee/Meeting Reports.**Myddle Village Hall

Councillor Harding reported that in conjunction with the Church, a very successful and well attended Harvest Lunch had taken place.

**17/69 Review of Parish Place Plan.**

Clerk advised Members that Shropshire Council had requested that the Parish Place Plan should be reviewed after a two year gap. The current plan had been circulated, considered in detail and amended to include the erection of the VAS signals on the Wem Road, providing a children's play area in Harmer Hill and the need to improve the safety of children attending Myddle Primary School.

**17/70 Exchange of additional information.**1. Community Pay Back Scheme:

Chairman reported that a team of workers had been in the Parish clearing weed and debris and had carried out some excellent and valuable work.

2. Highway Problems:

(a) Large pot hole at the top of Broughton Bank

(b) Poor state of the road surface on Shotton Lane

*Clerk to report to the Highways Department.*

**17/71 Budget Heads 2017 -2018**

Clerk reported that he would soon be meeting with the Chairman and Vice Chairman to produce a suggested budget for consideration at the January meeting.

The following amendments were made to budget headings:

Additional – Election Fees; Training; Replacing Low Pressure Sodium Lighting.

Removal – Supported Car Scheme

**17/72 Date and time of Next meeting.**

Wednesday January 3<sup>rd</sup>. 2018 at 7.30pm in Myddle Village Hall.

**Minutes approved as a true record:**

**Signed: C. Ruck      Chairman**

**Date: January 3<sup>rd</sup>. 2018**

## CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED SINCE THE LAST MEETING (SEPT)

Dianne Dorrell SALC AGM Conference details + agenda.

Gail Power – Local Plan Review.

Dianne Dorrell – September Information Bulletin.

Mr. Jeremy Shingler – replacement daffodils.

Dianne Dorrell – Newsletter.

Brian Williams – Grant funding from Veolia.

Pricilla Hilton Jones – grant offer.

Dianne Dorrell – Neighbourhood Plans.

Dianne Dorrell – Data Protection Regulations/training.

Shropshire Council – N.W. Relief Road –consultation.

Dianne Dorrell – report from the Town and Parish Council forum.

Dianne Dorrell – Planning for the right homes in the right places.

Dianne Dorrell – October Newsletter.

Gale Power – Shropshire Council’s preferred scale of the distribution of development.

Gail Power - Shropshire Council cabinet report on Youth Activities and funding.

Sue Thomas – Shropshire Councils Economic Growth Strategy.

Sue Thomas – Parish Plans.

ALC – CEO’s bulletin October 13<sup>th</sup>.

Dianne Dorrell – Future Fit Meeting.

Gavin Hogarth – Shropshire Families event.

Dianne Dorrell – SALC Presentation.

Shropshire Council – Environmental Maintenance Grant.

Shelly Davies – Helicopter Noise Liaison Committee.

SALC (North Shropshire Committee) – details of meeting.

Carol Clarke – Affordable Housing.

Julia Kear – Corbet School news.

Shropshire Council – re. election fees.

EON – Sodium lighting.

Dianne Dorrell – AGM cancelled.