

**MYDDLE BROUGHTON AND HARMER HILL PARISH COUNCIL
DRAFT MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL AGM HELD IN
HARMER HILL VILLAGE HALL ON MAY 14TH. 2025 AT 7.30 pm.**

Public Session:

There were five members of the public present and the following issues were raised:

Affordable Housing Project:

An update of the scheme was requested and the Chairman reported that there had been no further developments. The area in question had been offered for sale to Shropshire Council for the erection of a small unit of affordable properties for local people to rent. To date, Shropshire Council has not agreed to purchase the land. If and when the project went ahead, a local committee would oversee the proposals, which would then be subject to the legal planning application regulations.

Speed Control on Wem Road, Harmer Hill:

Concerns were expressed about the traffic speed along the road, with a request for a 30mph limit to be installed. The Chairman stated that discussions had been held with Shropshire Council and Police representatives, but after detailed checks had been carried out, neither of them was prepared to support the request.

Advertising applications for planning projects.

It was confirmed that anyone seeking planning approval for a development had a legal obligation to put up notices giving details of the proposed plans.

Present:

Mr. C. Ruck (Chairman)

Mr. M. Andrew

Mr. A. Harris

Mrs. S. Hammond

Mrs. J. Jackson

Mr. G. Miller

Mr. D. Evans

Mr. H. Rook

Mr. R. Jones

In Attendance:

Shropshire Councillor Mrs. S. Marston.

The Parish Clerk.

Four members of the public for most of the meeting.

25/01 Apologies:

There were no apologies.

25/02 Disclosure of Personal or Prejudicial Interests:

Councillor J. Jackson declared an interest in Agenda Item 9.

25/03 Minutes from the meeting held on March 5th. 2025.

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

25/04 Matters Arising:**(a) Affordable Housing project.**

This item had been discussed in detail during the Public Session.

(b) 'Welcome to' Signs.

It was reported that these had been erected and a number of favourable comments had been received.

(c) Myddle Church Clock.

The repairs had been carried out successfully and after a few minor hiccups, it seemed to be working well.

(d) Myddle Village Hall Car Park – repair.

Councillor Greg Miller reported that a contract for the resurfacing of the car park had been agreed and he was hopeful that work would start in the very near future.

(e) Harmer Hill Reservoir – Enforcement Order:

It was noted that no action had been taken to activate the enforcement order and it appeared from reports that additional development had taken place. Shropshire Councillor Sarah Marston was given a brief outline of the problem and promised to investigate it in detail.

(f) Harmer Hill Footpaths.

It was noted with concern that several permissive paths had been removed and that Mr. Philip Bamber from Shropshire Council had asked for a site meeting with Councillors to discuss an application from a landowner to remove a designated footpath. The clerk was asked to arrange a convenient date for this meeting.

(g) Myddle Youth Club.

The newly formed Club has just started activities, which have been well supported by young people. It was agreed to monitor the progress of the Club and give advice or help if it was needed. Shropshire Youth Association was aware of the new Club and gave support.

25/05 Correspondence:

Members considered the details of the correspondence received by the Clerk since the last meeting and where appropriate, responses had been or would be made.

25/06 (a) Accounts for Payment:

Payment of the following accounts was approved:

Access2Trees	Removal of trees in Myddle Wood	£1,800.00
Mr. C. Ruck	Travelling Expenses (Litter Pick)	£21.15
Myddle Village Hall	Car Park Resurfacing	£6,000.00
Mr. S. Busi	EMG Work (March)	£252.00
Mr. J. Wilson	Salary (April)	£425.55
HM Revenue & Customs	Tax & NI (April)	£326.96
Paperwrite	Office supplies	£13.77
Shropshire Council	Myddle Playing Field rent	£300.00
Mr. M. Busi	EMG Work (March)	£36.00
DM Payroll Services	Administration of payroll (2025-26)	£120.00
SALC	Annual Membership Fee	£785.91
Harmer Hill Village Hall	Grant	£2,000.00
Myddle Village Hall	Grant	£2,000.00

The Messenger	Grant	£1,000.00
Myddle & Broughton PCC	Maint. Grant (Myddle & Broughton Churches)	£1,000.00
Clear Insurance	Annual Insurance June 2025 – 2026	£908.74
Mr. J. Wilson	Salary (May)	£425.15
HM Revenue & Customs	Tax and NI (May)	£327.96
Mr. J. Wilson	Expenses March/April)	£107.80

25/06(b) Financial Statement.

The Financial Statement was tabled and approved.

25/07 Audit Documents:

The Annual Governance Statement was considered and approved in detail.

25/08 Planning Applications:

A. The following applications had been received for consideration:

1. Burlton Lane Farm, Myddle – erection of a Grain Store (25/01166/FUL) *Application supported.*

2. Erection of one dwelling to the south of Shotton Lane and the formation of a new vehicle access (onto Shotton Lane) 25/01316/Ful). *Application supported.*

B. The following application has been approved:

The Paddocks, 14, Myddlewood – single storey rear extension (25/00493/Ful)

C. The following application has been refused:

Roden Farm, Greenwood – erection of a tennis court (24/04865/FUL).

25/09 Myddle Woodland Area:

Members approved a request from Councillor Jeanette Jackson to arrange for a detailed report on the state of the trees from a qualified arborist and open discussions with Shropshire Council to undertake a review of possible developments. The plan would be to make it an interesting, attractive and important area of the Parish.

25/10 Police Report:

Incidents recorded in

January:

Myddle (Baschurch Road) -1 (Vehicle Crime).

Harmer Hill (Lower Road) -1 (Anti-Social Behaviour).

February:

Myddle (A528) – 1 (Violence/Sexual)

March:

Harmer Hill

Shotton Lane – 2 (Public Order -1; Violence/Sexual Offence -1).

Lower Road – 2 (Anti-Social Behaviour -1; Drugs – 1).

Myddle

Hillside Close – 1 (Other Theft).

Glebelands – 1 (Violence/Sexual Offence).

Alford Gardens – 2 (Anti-Social Behaviour -2).

25/11 Action Plan 2025 -2029:

Members considered and approved a detailed plan for Council action over the period of the Council and agreed to publish the details on the Council Web Site

24/89 Exchange of Additional Information:

(a) Additional Agenda Items for the May meeting.

Approval of the Audit Documents;

(a) Issues Needing Attention:

1. Highways:

Complaints about potholes were raised and referred to Councillor S. Marston, who confirmed that repairs were seen as a high priority by the new Shropshire Council, together with improvements to the 'Fix My Street' reports.

2. Street Lighting:

No issues raised.

3. Other:

No issues raised

24/90 Committee and Other Reports:

No reports tabled.

24/91 Date and Time of next meeting.

Wednesday 25th. June at 7.30 in Myddle Village Hall

Minutes approved as a true record:

Signed: _____ **Chairman** **Date:** _____ **2025:**