

**MYDDLE, BROUGHTON AND HARMER HILL PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD IN MYDDLE VILLAGE HALL ON
WEDNESDAY JANUARY 2ND. 2019 AT 7.30 PM.**

Public Session.

1. Mr. & Mrs. P. Griffiths plus two representatives were present and outlined plans for an innovative development being considering in Open Countryside at Houlston near Sleaf. This was permissible under a revised National planning regulation and had to be approved at a regional level.

Shropshire Council had been approached and were sympathetic to the outline proposals and a formal plan would now be submitted.

The Chairman thanked them for the information and stated that Members would consider the application when it was submitted.

2. Mr. H. Rook attended to observe the meeting.

Present:

Mr. C. Ruck (Chairman)

Mr. R. Purslow

Mr. R. Tiernan

Mr. G. Harding

Mr. R. Jones

Ms. J. Bienek

Mr. L. Foulsham

Mr. I. Anderson

Mr. J. Heath

In Attendance:

Shropshire Councillor B. Williams.

The Parish Clerk.

Police Sgt. C. Greenaway (West Mercia Police).

One member of the public.

18/69 Apologies:

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor Mrs. E. Hodge and Mr. and Mrs. Atkins.

18/70 Disclosure of Personal or Prejudicial Interests.

Councillor R. Jones declared an interest in the planning application for development of the Red Castel Public House.

18/71 Police Report.

With the approval of Members Item 13 on the Agenda was brought forward to allow Sgt. Greenaway to make a report and then return to duties.

The Chairman welcomed Claire to the meeting and she gave a brief overview of the police structure for the Wem area which was staffed by her; police constable Liam Heathcote, who had at one time been a support officer in the area and two community support officers. She pointed out that crime was low in the Parish, although two people were awaiting trial for a serious incident in Harmer Hill. Across the whole Wem area and in partnership with Shropshire Council staff, a concerted effort was seeing a vast reduction in the incidents of Anti-Social Behaviour, which covered a range of low level incidents.

She promised to send a leaflet with the details and contact numbers of all the team members which could be published on the various web sites.

She was thanked for her attendance and support.

Incidents recorded in October:

Harmer Hill:

Near The Hollow: 1: Violence (Awaiting court outcome).

Incidents recorded in November:

Harmer Hill:

Holly Bank – Anti-Social Behaviour 1

Myddle:

Hillside – Theft 1 (No suspect identified).

Yorton:

Parking Area – Drugs 1 (under investigation).

Sansaw Road: Burglary 1 (No suspect identified).

18/72 Minutes of the meeting held on November 7th. 2018

The minutes having been circulated, were approved and signed by the Chairman as a true record after a minor amendment to item 18/67(4c).

18/73 Matters Arising.

(a)Myddle Play Area (18/58(a):

The Chairman outlined the need to replace the equipment which had been condemned and removed and it was agreed to add an additional £2,000.00 CIL Neighbourhood fund money to the grant obtained from Tesco. The Clerk was asked to contact Mr. Ray Parry to discuss suitable replacement items.

(b) Harmer Hill Play Area (18/58(c)

The problem regarding a parked vehicle at the entrance seemed to have stopped and it was agreed to take no further action at this stage. If it started again, the registration number would be passed to the police for suitable action.

(c) Ellesmere Road, Harmer Hill – Speeding Traffic (Public Session).

The Clerk reported that following the last meeting he had contacted the Safer Road Partnership and had been advised that:

(1)It was not possible to have a Community Watch programme and the Community Watch Team operating in the same village.

(2) In the past two years the Community Watch Team had visited the site over ninety times, over 600 drivers had been reported for exceeding the speed limit and 45 lived in the SY4 3 area.

(3) The cost of providing ‘average speed monitoring’ meant that it was not an option.

(4) Following a request from local parishioners he had queried with the Police and County Road Safety Officer, whether a 20mph limit could be introduced and had been informed that the road did not meet the criteria for this.

(c) Community Infrastructure Levy

Clerk reported that Shropshire Council had appointed an officer to be responsible for the oversight of CIL and she had already provided the Clerk with up-dated information and a more positive approach was being taken by Shropshire Council.

It was pointed out the £17,000 still remained in the CIL Neighbourhood Fund which the Parish Council could use on identified projects and that grants were available for identified infrastructure projects using money from CIL Local Funds.

The Clerk was asked to raise the issue of the Myddle School Safety Project with the CIL Team Leader.

18/74 Payment of Accounts.

It was resolved to pay the following accounts:

Mr. J. Wilson	Salary (Dec/Jan.)		£533.14
Mr. J. Wilson			£102.29
Inland Revenue	PAYE (Dec/Jan.)	£355.60	
	N.I. (Dec/Jan.)	£25.77	£381.37
Paperwrite	Photocopier cartridges		£142.80

18/75 Financial Statement.

A financial statement was tabled and approved.

18/76 Budget and Precept Setting 2019 -2020

Following a meeting between the Chairman, Vice Chairman and the Clerk/RFO, a proposed budget had been circulated to all Members.

After due consideration this was approved and it was agreed that the precept should be increased by 2% to cover inflation costs. This raised the precept to £27,846.00 and would increase the Parish Council element of the Council tax by about 60p per annum. Full details of the budget are available from the Clerk or can be found on the Council’s web site

18/77 Correspondence.

Members considered the correspondence which had been received by the Clerk since the last meeting and where necessary responded to varying items.

18/78 Planning Applications.

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

1. White Meadows, Ellesmere Road, Harmer Hill – erection of a detached garage.

No objections had been raised.

2. Land adjacent to the Red Castle Public House – erection of two semi-detached dwellings with off street parking. *Objected to on the grounds that this was over development of the area; would entail the use of the Public House car park and would lead to major problems with parking and access onto Ellesmere Road, as identified in the Highways Department report.*

3. Red Castle, Ellesmere Road, Harmer Hill – erection of four semi-detached dwellings with off street parking following the demolition of the former Public House. *Objected to because this would lead to a 'change of use' for the property and if that was agreed the new proposal would not be in keeping with the character of the local area and would lead to major parking/road access problems.*

4. The Old Rectory, Myddle – erection of a greenhouse. *No objections raised.*

5. The Drift House, Springfield Barns, Marton – conversion of residential accommodation to self-catering units. *No objections raised.*

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

1. Land at Meadowland, Sleaf - erection of general purpose agricultural building.

2. Sleaf Airfield – erection of portal framed steel clad hangar.

3. White Meadows, Ellesmere Road, Harmer Hill – erection of a detached garage.

18/79 Shropshire Council – future planning proposals.

Councillor G. Harding reported on the public meeting at Edinburgh House, Wem, which had been called to outline the planning proposals for the next fifteen years. It had been confirmed that, following the closure of the Village Shop, Myddle would now be classified as 'Open Countryside' in line with Harmer Hill being identified as a 'Cluster'

Following detailed consideration it was decided that an approach should be made to Shropshire Council asking for further clarification of both Villages with the general feeling that both should be identified as an 'Open Countryside'. This would mean that other than the construction of affordable housing, further development would not be undertaken.

18/80 Community Led Plan.

(a)Traffic and Transport.

No additional reports.

(b) Community Spirit.

No report tabled.

(c) Housing.

Councillors R. Purslow and R. Jones agreed to meet with Councillor I. Anderson to discuss issues related to affordable housing.

(d) Business and Farming.

No report tabled.

18/81 Committee/Meeting Reports.

No reports tabled.

18/82 Exchange of additional information.(a) Meeting Dates:

A programme of dates was tabled and approved, following a decision to hold the Annual Parish Meeting on a separate date – May 15th. in Harmer Hill Village Hall.

(b) Fly Tipping:

It was reported that a settee had been left in woods belonging to Mr. Thompson (Sansaw Estate). *Clerk to notify Mr. Thomson of the problem.*

(c) Litter Pick Day:

Chairman reported that this would be held across the Parish on March 23rd.

(d) History of the Quarries:

Chairman stated that he would be giving a talk in Myddle Village Hall on February 28th.

(e) Bridle Way Sign:

Chairman agreed to investigate the problem with a sign at the Pines.

(f) Pines/Lower Road:

A complaint had been received that vehicles were leaving the Pines and not slowing down or stopping as they accessed Lower Road.

Clerk to contact Highways Department and ask if a white line could be painted at the junction.

18/83 Date and time of Next meeting.

Wednesday March 7th. 2019 at 7.30pm in Harmer Hill Village Hall.

Minutes approved as a true record:

Signed: C. Ruck Chairman

Date: March 6th. 2019