

**MYDDLE, BROUGHTON AND HARMER HILL PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD IN HARMER HILL VILLAGE HALL ON
WEDNESDAY JUNE 26TH. 2019 AT 7.30 PM.**

Public Session:

One member of the public was present and raised concerns about the difficulty of exiting The Pines Estate onto Lower Road. Vehicles were frequently left in the lay-by opposite which was supposed to be a 'passing point'.

It was agreed that the Council would purchase and erect a sign stating 'PASSING PLACE NO PARKING'. *Clerk to action.*

Present:

Mr. C. Ruck (Chairman)

Mr. R. Purslow

Mr. G. Harding

Mr. R. Jones

Mrs. E. Hodge

Ms. J. Bienek

Mr. I. Anderson

Mr. R. Tiernan

Mr. J. Heath

In Attendance:

Shropshire Councillor B. Williams.

The Parish Clerk.

19/19 Apologies:

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor L. Foulsham.

19/20 Disclosure of Personal or Prejudicial Interests.

No interests were declared.

19/21 Minutes of the meeting held on May1st. 2019

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

19/22 Matters Arising.

(a) Myddle School Road Safety Project (19/06(b)).

Chairman reported that Shropshire Council had informed the Council that the project did not meet the criteria needed for it to be paid for from CIL Local funds.

(b) Environmental Maintenance (19/06 (c)).

A further grant had been awarded for this financial year which meant that together with the money which was not spent last year and the Council's matched funding there was a total of £3,000 available for the programme.

(c) A528/Newton Lane Junction (19/06(d)).

An email from Mr. D. Gradwell (Road Safety Officer) had stated that he was arranging for the agreed signs to be put in place.

(d) Myddle Hill – VAS sign (19/06(e)).

No indication that the covert check on vehicle speed had been carried out yet. *Please see Minute 19/33(b).*

(e) Missing Road Signs (19/06(h))

Mr. Chris Fisher (Highways Officer) had agreed to fund and replace the signs. However he had retired and been replaced by Ms. Victoria Doran. *The Clerk reported that he was sending her a list of the outstanding issues and this would be included.*

19/23 Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on May 15th.

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

19/24 Matters Arising.(a) Lower Road, Harmer Hill;

The problems raised at the meeting had already been forwarded to Shropshire Council's Highways Department and Mr. Gradwell (Shropshire's Road Safety Officer).

It was agreed that the Parish Council would look into the possibility of funding an extension of the 30mph limit.

(b) Junction of Ellesmere Road and The Hollow, Harmer Hill.

Clerk reported that this would not be eligible for CIL funding as the problem had been raised prior to CIL money being allocated and also could not be attributed to new development.

(c) Blocked drain at junction of Wem Road and Cambridge Close.

Problem had been reported to Mr. S. Brown (Shropshire Council) who had promised action. However Shropshire Councillor B. Williams reported that the drains needed to be inspected with a camera and as Shropshire Council had to hire cameras for a three day period, staff were waiting for sufficient work to warrant the expenditure.

19/25 Payment of Accounts.

It was resolved to pay the following accounts:

Mr. J. Wilson	Salary (June/July)		£733.66
Mr. J. Wilson	Expenses (May/June)		£136.49
Inland Revenue	PAYE (June/July)	£183.20	
	N.I. (June/July)	£27.30	£210.50
North Shropshire Safety	Grant		£100.00
West Mercia Police	Grant		£100.00
Helping Hand	Litter picking equipment		£207.36
RHIB	Annual Insurance (2019-2020)		£654.38
Paperwrite	Colour cartridges for photocopier		£149.50
Mr. M. Busi	Contract payment for Environmental Maint. (May)		£210.00

19/26 Financial Statement.

A financial statement was tabled and approved.

19/27 Internal Audit report and consideration of documents for External Audit

Members considered and adopted:

- (a) The Internal Audit report from Mr. Sheehy, which indicated that there were no concerns about the management of Council business or its finances.
- (b) The various documents which had to be sent to the External Auditor.

19/28 Correspondence.

Members considered the correspondence which had been received by the Clerk since the last meeting and where necessary responses were made to varying items including:

(a) The Parish Place Plan:

This was reviewed and up-dated and the following items were added for future consideration:

To create an additional parking area in Myddle.

Replacement of sewerage pipes from Myddle pumping station.

Improvements to footpaths and bridleways.

Additional Parish seating.

Additional Play Area equipment at both sites.

Information boards and improved Parish Council communications.

VAS on Myddle Hill.

Upkeep of community listed buildings.

Footpath from Bridgewater Arms to Pimhill.

20mph speed limit by Myddle School.

The Clerk was asked to raise concern with the planning department regarding an indication that Myddle and Harmer Hill would be designated as 'A Cluster' rather than 'Open Countryside'.

(b) Smartwater security.

It was decided to take no action at this stage.

(c) Resident - concern over work on Harmer Hill by trig pillar.

Several Members had visited the site and it appeared that the wooden building was a temporary structure whilst development of the property was being undertaken. The situation would continue to be monitored.

(d) Resident - speeding traffic on Baschurch Road.

The Clerk had responded pointing out what action had already been taken but would look into the possibility of being able to set up a Community Speed Watch project.

(e) SALC AGM & 70th. Celebration.

It was agreed that the Clerk should be nominated for a 20 years' service Certificate.

(f) Wem Town Council – climate change.

It was agreed to inform Wem Town Clerk that the Parish Council supported their plans.

Shropshire Bus Campaign.

Councillor Ms. J. Bienek would be attending the meeting.

19/29 Planning Applications.

A. The following applications had been received for consideration with no objections raised on applications one to four.

1. The Old Dairy, Wood Farm, Myddlewood –single story side extension. (19/02130/FUL).
2. The Old Rectory, Myddle - erection of timber shed; .perimeter railing and gate inner garden wall, etc. (19/01971/FUL).
3. Harmony Cottage, Higher Road, Harmer Hill – two storey rear extension (19/02015)
4. Land south of the Red Castle Public House, Harmer Hill – erection of a 1.5 storey bungalow with off street parking (19/02262/FUL).
5. Oak Farm, Marton – siting of a mobile home (19/01959/FUL). *No comment response*
6. 12, Myddle erection of a two storey extension following the demolition of the existing conservatory (19/02247/FUL). *No objections raised.*
7. Orchard House, Wem Road, Harmer Hill – Variation of conditions 1&2 to allow for an un-necessary length of footpath to be deleted from the application (19/02525/VAR)
There was objections raised to this proposal which had been part of the original planning application and it was felt by Members and the public that the path was necessary.

B The following applications had been approved by Shropshire Council:

1. Karina, The Hollow, Harmer Hill – erection of a rear extension, car port and conversion of garage to living accommodation (19/01727/FUL).
2. Harmony Cottage, Higher Road, Harmer Hill – erection of a two story extension plus associated alterations (19/00215/FUL).

19/30 Community Led Plan.(a)Traffic and Transport.

No further report tabled.

(b) Community Spirit.

No report tabled.

(c) Housing.

Councillor R. Purslow reported that the proposed location for building some affordable housing had been studied by Shropshire Council’s Planning Department. A report from the department had indicated that there would be a need for a footpath and streetlights leading to the site. Further discussions were planned.

(d) Business and Farming.

No report tabled.

19/31 Police Report.

(a)Response to Police Commissioners Survey.

Clerk was asked to complete the response.

(b)Incidents recorded in March:

Harmer Hill:

Shotton Lane – Violence -1 (Under investigation).

The Hollow – Theft -1 (No suspect identified.).

(c) Incidents recorded in April:

Myddle:

Welcroft – Violence (Unable to prosecute).

19/32 Committee/Meeting Reports.1. Baschurch Parish Council.

Councillor G. Harding gave an outline of the meeting which had been called to assess the need for a new doctor's surgery in Baschurch and had been attended by several Parish Councillors. The meeting had been addressed by Peter Nutting (Shropshire Council Leader), who explained that it was necessary to cater for the increased number of residents; it would take about four years to build and would require CIL Local finance from Baschurch and other Parishes, whose residents used that practice.

2. Wem Area Clerk's meeting

Clerk reported that it had been agreed that Wem Council should use the grant money which had been allocated to purchase litter picking equipment. This would be available for loan to Parish Councils in the area.

3. Place Plan Meeting:

Councillor R. Purslow reported that concern had been raised regarding the cost of constructing a new classroom at Hadnall School which would be in the region of £300,000

19/33 CIL Neighbourhood Fund Projects.

It was decided to use funds to:

- (a) Replace all the current Parish streetlight SOC units with LED units
- (b) Obtain a quotation for the possible erection of a VAS unit on Myddle Hill – subject to approval by Shropshire Council.

19/34 Exchange of additional information.1. Ellesmere Road – unofficial lay-by opposite new development;

Members approved a request from Mr. Shingler to flatten and re-seed the area but requested that a few concrete slabs were put in place as it was a site where school children and residents waited for buses

2. Tree Damage:

Clerk stated that he had received a report of a large branch being blown from one of the trees adjacent to Myddle Recreation Ground. He had contacted Mr. Terry Merchant who had agreed to carry out an inspection to see if further problems were evident. If necessary the Clerk would arrange to get the branch removed.

3. Over- hanging trees:

Councillor R. Jones reported on the issue he had raised at the last meeting regarding tree branches overhanging power cables. On inspection the cables were found to be telephone wires.

The Clerk was asked to inform B.T. of the problem.

3. Drainage Problems:

(a) Councillors R. Purslow and R. Jones reported that drains on the Ellesmere Road were blocked with man hole covers lifted and after any rainfall water was flowing down the road and entering residents' properties.

(b) Councillor J. Heath stated that development of the estate adjacent to his property had resulted in the drain being in the incorrect position and as a result water was running into his wall and drive.

4. Potholes:

Report of potholes on Myddle Hill close to the 30mph sign.

Clerk to advise the Highways Department of problems 3 & 4 and seek some action.

5. Myddle Public Telephone Box:

Report of substantial damage.

Clerk to report the problem to B.T.

6. Village Halls:

Councillor G. Harding commented on the recent document circulated by Shropshire Council and advised Members that the Parish Council were the trustees for Myddle Village Hall. Harmer Hill Members agreed to check the situation with regard to Harmer Hill Village Hall.

7. Proposed future project:

Councillor G. Harding outlined a detailed plan he had produced for providing additional parking and a turning area at the school. Members thanked him for his effort but it was agreed that this was not a project that could be funded from CIL Local finance but it was agreed that it should be included in the Parish Place Plan under 'Additional car parking in Myddle.

18/18 Date and time of Next meeting.

Wednesday September 4^h. at 7.30pm in Myddle Village Hall.

Minutes approved as a true record:

Signed: C. Ruck Chairman

Date: September 4th. 2019

Correspondence received since last meeting – May.

Dianne Dorrell – May Information Bulletin.

Gail Power – VE Day '75.

Dianne Dorrell – Environment Maintenance Grants – consultation.

Dianne Dorrell – message from Alison Smith re. possible merger of the CCGs.

SATH – appointment of interim Deputy CEO.

Police Commissioner – news about Smartwater.

Shropshire Council – invite to talk on Mental Health.

Police Commissioner – survey.

Gail Power – Care closed to home.

Corrie Davies – Wem Place Plan documents.

Dianne Dorrell – High Street Awards.

Dianne Dorrell – Volunteer week.

Dianne Dorrell – SALC AGM & 70th. Celebration.

Dianne Dorrell – Welcome to apT.

Belinda Rutherford – concern over work on Harmer Hill by the trig pillar.

St. Chads Church – Final WWII Remembrance Service.

Dianne Dorrell – Great British High Street Awards.

ALC Shropshire Care Closer to Home.

Baschurch Parish Council – meeting re surgery.

Gail Power – Delay in CIL decisions.

Dianne Dorrell & Wem Town Council – Climate change.

Shropshire & Telford NHS Trust – temporary suspension of some services.

Dianne Dorrell – Information Bulletin (June 3rd).

Resident – complaint about positioning of dog waste bin in Lower Road.

Dianne Dorrell – Road Safety Campaign.

Gail Power – Shropshire DAAT Newsletter.

Gail Power – Whitchurch Hospital.

John Whitelegg – Shropshire Bus Campaign.

David Mitchell – speeding traffic on Baschurch Road and through Myddle.

Dianne Dorrell – Shropshire Care Closer to Home.

Dianne Dorrell – Highways and Transport Briefing Note.

Gail Power – New Web Accessibility Guidelines.

John Campion – police newsletter.

Shropshire Council – school crossing.