

HADNALL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held at Hadnall Village Hall on 10th February 2020.

20/017 Public Question Time

- Trees at Wedgefields: Shropshire Council had confirmed that the land is owned by the developers, Jennings Homes Ltd., who were the owners when the development was built in 1985. They retained ownership of the land as the then North Shropshire District Council and the Parish Council were both unwilling to adopt the land. Shropshire Council assume that the area should remain as a landscaped amenity area and that the landowner (Jennings Homes Ltd.,) would be responsible for maintaining it. **ACTION:** Parish Clerk to ascertain if Jennings Homes still exist.
- The drain on the A49 by Astley Lodge is still blocked. **ACTION:** Parish Clerk to report to Shropshire Council.

20/018 Present

Parish Councillors: Mr. Slater (Chairman), Mr. Harrison, Mr. Bell, Mr. Duxbury, Mr. Brisbane, Mr. Amos. Parish Clerk: Mrs. Smith-Wells. 10 Members of the public.

20/019 Apologies

Mr. Clifford, Mr. Davies. Mr. Simon Jones (Shropshire Councillor).

20/020 Declarations of Interest

None.

At this point, the Chairman closed the meeting to announce that Mrs. Smith-Wells had resigned from the position of Parish Clerk. She was thanked for her work over the last 2 years. ACTION: Parish Clerk to advertise the post.

20/021 Minutes of the Meeting Held on 13th January 2020.

Signed as a correct record.

20/022 Introduction of Flt. Lt. Nick Smith from RAF Shawbury.

Flt. Lt. Smith was welcomed to the meeting. He gave a brief description of his background and then advised that the Annual 10K race for charity will be held at RAF Shawbury on 29th February and there may be more traffic in the area on that day. He also advised that night flying ends this week, beginning again on 23rd March and ending on 26th April. Flt. Lt. Smith agreed to arrange a tour of the base for Parish Councillors. Councillor Bell expressed his thanks to RAF Shawbury for allowing children from Hadnall to use the sports facilities on the base.

20/023 Report from Shropshire Councillor Simon Jones

Councillor Jones was not in attendance.

20/024 Progress Reports

- a) Smart Water rollout: The sign-up event on 18th January was a success. 78% of the kits have been issued, with West Mercia Police representatives providing welcomed assistance. The Chairman thanked Councillors Harrison and Duxbury for their hard work with this project and it was agreed to remove the project from the agenda.

- b) New Play Equipment on existing site: The play equipment had been ordered and the installation start date is 30th March. Installation will take 3 weeks to complete. **ACTION:** Councillor Slater and Councillor Amos to continue to progress.
- c) Bowling Club Lease: The Bowling Club has finally signed the lease and paid the outstanding rent. Once the cheques have cleared, Councillors Bell and Duxbury will sign the lease on behalf of the Parish Council. Councillors agreed that they do not object to a request, by the Bowling Club, to build a new storage shed. **ACTION:** Parish Clerk to advise the Bowling Club.
- d) Moat footpath: Progressing. **ACTION:** Councillors Bell and Harrison to continue to progress.
- e) Mobile Speed Signs: The speed signs have been installed. The one sited by the New Inn will be adjusted to look forward up the hill. The Chairman thanked Councillors Clifford and Davies for assisting him in the installation of them. The Chairman suggested that signs be erected to warn motorists that their speeds are being monitored but it was agreed not to do that, at the present time.
- f) Saracens Car Park: No further developments.
- g) Ditch at school: Shropshire Council is now liaising with the owner of the bordering property to ascertain ownership and it was agreed to remove this issue from the agenda.
- h) Community infrastructure levy bids: Progressing.

20/025 Accounts

- a) It was proposed, seconded and resolved that the following payments be approved:

£656.28	Final salary, mileage and Working from Home Allowance
£84.00	Tree work by Access2Trees
£202.00	PAYE for 3 rd Quarter (repayable to Parish Clerk)
£20,334.29	50% deposit for play equipment (Playdale)

- b) It was proposed, seconded and resolved that the latest accounts report and bank reconciliation, prepared by the Parish Clerk, be approved.
- c) Adjustments were made to the draft budget and it was agreed that it should be updated and accepted. **ACTION:** Parish Clerk to update draft budget.
- d) The Parish Clerk confirmed that she had submitted the precept bid for 2020/21, to Shropshire Council.

20/026 Possible Future Development in Hadnall

Edward West of Shropshire Council had advised that Cabinet is to consider the draft Local Plan in May and it is his opinion that, at this stage, there is no reason for Shropshire Council to reverse its decision regarding the proposed Community Hub status of the village or the preferred site for development as land south of Wedgefields. The Parish Council agreed to consult parishioners once Shropshire Council's plans are agreed by Cabinet, and made known to the Parish Council.

20/027 Wem Place Plan

Councillors agreed to study the Wem Place Plan, as published by Shropshire Council and consider the way forward with entries contained in it for Hadnall. **ACTION:** All Councillors.

20/028 Planning

- a) 19/04335/FUL, conversion of the Saracens into 5 flats (resubmission). Shropshire Council granted permission.
- b) 19/05280/FUL, erection of garage at Friar's Halt. Shropshire Council decision pending.

- c) 17/05454/FUL, erection of 4 dwellings on Saracen’s car park. Shropshire Council decision pending.
- d) 20/00032/FUL, two storey extension at 2 Wood Road, Hadnall. Shropshire Council decision pending.

20/029 Highways and General Village Matters

- a) Review of maintenance provision in the village: Councillor Harrison was thanked for his work in compiling the Maintenance Provision Report. It was agreed to begin to address the issues outlined in it. **ACTION:** Parish Clerk to put the report on the website.
- b) Streetlight on Astley Lane: It was proposed, seconded and resolved that the Parish Council accepts the quotation of £1,400.00 to repair the streetlight by the school. **ACTION:** Parish Clerk to place the order with Highline Electrical.
- c) Bright streetlight at Wedgefields: **ACTION:** Parish Clerk to continue to look for a solution, if there is one.
- d) Severn Trent Community Fund: Councillor Harrison gave details of the fund, namely that there is a fund of £10 million available for projects for “healthy life”, “better place” and “looking after the natural environment”. It was agreed to include this on the next agenda and for Councillors to present ideas at that meeting. **ACTION:** All Councillors.

20/030 VE Celebrations

A parishioner suggested a self-funded communal picnic on the village green. Councillors agreed to look for other possible ways of celebrating, for the next meeting. **ACTION:** All Councillors.

20/031 Correspondence

An email had been received from a resident from Wedgefields, complaining about the problems with access to his property when parents park by his driveway, at school dropping off and collection times. It was agreed that, unfortunately, (and as established in the past), the Parish Council has no authority over highway parking. However, Councillor Duxbury agreed to arrange for the school to distribute a suitable leaflet to all parents. **ACTION:** Parish Clerk to advise the resident to contact Shropshire Council and/or the local policing team. Councillor Duxbury to arrange leaflet for parents.

20/032 Councillors’ Reports

None presented.

20/033 Items for Future Agenda

Appointment of Parish Clerk; Trees at Wedgefields; Severn Trent Community Fund.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 20.45.

.....(CHAIRMAN)(DATE)

Date of next meeting: To be confirmed

MRS. K.M. SMITH-WELLS, CLERK TO HADNALL PARISH COUNCIL