

Cressage, Harley & Sheinton Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at Harley Village Hall on Tuesday 8th February 2022 at 7.00 pm

Present: Cllrs Laura Christmas, Colin Campbell, Rob Davies, John Esp, Matt Murray, Victoria Todd

In attendance: Cllr Claire Wild – Shropshire Council, Ian Cruise-Taylor – Parish Clerk

6 members of the public

1. **Chairman's welcome:** The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting
2. **To note Apologies:** apologies were noted from Cllr Kal Parkash, due to ill-health
3. **To note Declarations of Pecuniary Interest or consider dispensation requests.**
There were no declarations
4. **Public session.** Please note the public session will be extended to enable one 5 minute additional representation to be made
 - i. Presentation and discussion led by resident regarding traffic in Cressage – Council heard from a member of the public regarding the continued speeding of traffic through Cressage, and concerns regarding the additional risks posed by the current configuration of the road at the corner of Sheinton Road and the A458. Council agreed to continue to pursue the matter with Shropshire Council

A member of the public urged the Council to continue to seek to improve services for young people and children

Members of the public urged the Council to support the continuation of services at Christ Church

A non-resident asked the Council to include the A548 from Cound to Cressage for traffic calming/speed limits in its discussions with Shropshire Council and the Police

5. **Council to consider and agree the Minutes from 9th November 2021 and 11th January meetings:** Council unanimously approved the minutes from 9th November 2021 and 11th January 2022. In relation to the minutes, the Chairman noted that the Council had taken into account recent and potential hardships for residents in its decision to hold the local precept at the same level as in 2021-22. It was also noted that the Parish Council had gratefully received the gift of a laptop and printer from Cound Parish Council, which had been purchased with a grant via Shropshire Association of Local Councils
6. **Shropshire Councillor's Report**

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Cllr Claire Wild reported that

- the Council could claim Environmental Maintenance Grant from Shropshire Council, retrospectively for aspects of the Environmental Maintenance Contract, even if they were the responsibility of Shropshire Council, and receive 50% of the cost
- Cressage Bridge is programmed to be repaired, and this is expected to be undertaken in 2022-2023.

7. Planning matters:

- Report from informal meeting with Raby Estates** – The Chairman reported that there was to be change in personnel at Raby Estates and that we would await the prospect of a formal planning application before receiving further representations
 - Decisions if any to note: see appendix A** - noted
 - Determine response to new Planning Applications if any: see appendix A** – none to consider by the time the agenda was issued
8. **Smartwater:** Council considered two proposals, to either purchases kits for sale at discount or to set up a small scale trial, in one ward. It was agreed that other councils would be approached for spare kits, and to decide which approach to adopt at the next Council meeting.

9. Highways matters:

- Councillors to report any highway issues for action –
 - Council noted the issue of parking on Sheinton Road in relation to parents attending Christ Church Primary School. It was agreed to ask the Village Hall Committee if arrangements could be made for parents or school staff to park there to reduce congestion
 - council agreed to continue to work with Shropshire Council on the issues along A458 and Sheinton Road, including asking for different VAS signs which show the speed of approaching traffic, and to encourage Police to increase high profile speed camera visits
 - Council agreed to invite all councils along the A458 between Shrewsbury and Bridgnorth to work together to seek to bring about traffic management improvements

10. Financial matters:

- Council to agree payment of invoices and charges: unanimously agreed
- Council to note Bank Reconciliation: Appendix B: noted
- Council to receive report back from working group on Grounds Maintenance contract revisions prior to tender being issued. Council approved the proposed contract specification with the following changes:
 - Remove bin emptying from item 1, if confirmation can be obtained from Shropshire Council that it is included in their schedule

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- Contractor to be asked to show how they will maximise use of green energy when carrying out the work, and minimise carbon footprint
- Contractor to be asked for evidence of compliance regarding 'waste pathway'

11. Correspondence

- i. Discussion on a proposal to close Christ Church, Cressage – Council noted the importance of gathering public views on this proposal and agreed to seek to do this and re-consider the proposal at the next Parish Council meeting
- ii. Proposed upgrade to bridleway – Council agreed that it was not in favour of this upgrade

12. Parish Matters – to include report back from meetings/training courses attended.

The Chairman reported on a meeting for Chairmen of Town and Parish Councils organised by SALC which noted that there were very few regular reports from the Police, and it was agreed that a senior officer should be invited to address the issue at the next meeting

- i. Update on insurance matter regarding damaged fencing, if available – a more detailed estimate had been requested, which was awaited
- ii. Update and report on complaint to the Parish Council – deferred until next meeting
- iii. Discussion about young people's facilities – council noted the feedback from the young people at Christ Church Primary School, who asked for more varied outdoor activities and facilities, such as a bike track at the under 11s play area. Council also noted the importance of provision for less able/mobile young people. It was agreed the original working party would meet again to bring together formal proposals to the next meeting and consider inviting Shropshire Council to the next meeting
- iv. Update on quotations for works to improve drainage at under 11s play area. Following some remedial works the drainage has improved but it remains to be seen if this is enough. The annual inspection will now be requested so that a full report can be given to determine next steps, with a re-opening unlikely by Easter
- v. Parish Plan – proposal to review and refresh – deferred to next meeting, when a proposed action plan may be available
- vi. Proposal to include regular item on climate change – Council agreed to include this on a quarterly basis
- vii. Defibrillator – management/volunteers - Council accepted Cllr Rob Davies' kind offer to take the lead

13. Items for consideration at next Council meeting, not for debate or decision

none

14. Date & time of next Council meeting – 8th March 2022 at a venue to be arranged at 7.00 pm – it was agreed to move the Annual Parish Meeting to April

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Appendix A

i. Planning decisions:

21/04535/FUL: Rectory Cottage, Sheinton, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY5 6DN
Proposal: Erection of a replacement detached double garage with storage above
Decision: Grant Permission

20/01751/EIA: Farley Quarry, Farley, Much Wenlock, Shropshire, TF13 6NX
Proposal: The recycling of construction, demolition and excavation wastes and the construction of a development platform in the quarry by means of the placement of materials and soils that cannot be recycled, together with ancillary activities and improvements to the site access
Decision: Refuse

21/04884/FUL: The Forge Harley Shrewsbury Shropshire SY5 6LP. Proposal:
Erection of single storey rear extension; single storey side extension; conversion of (part) of the stables to provide bathroom facilities; internal remodelling
Decision: Refuse

20/02597/FUL: The Eagles Inn 1 Harley Road Cressage SY5 6DF. Proposal:
Change of use from a former public house to 1No residential dwelling
Decision: Permission Granted

21/05163/FUL: 46 Severn Way, Cressage, SY5 6DS. Proposal: Erection of walk-in bay window to front elevation
Decision: Grant Permission

ii. Planning applications

None

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Appendix B

Remaining Payments for approval February 2022

i. Payments:

Payee	Amount	Salaries	PAYE	PWLB	Defib	Office & Admin	Water	Grounds Maintenance	Electricity	VAT	Total.
November											
Bott Groundcare	682.58							682.58			682.58
Cllr Robert Davies	10.60					10.60					10.60
Shropshire Council	262.82								219.02	43.80	262.82
Village Hall	10.00					10.00					10.00
Cllr Victoria Todd	15.99							15.99			15.99
Water	348.94						348.94				348.94
SALC	20.00					20.00					20.00
Med Uk	88.68				73.90					14.78	88.68
HMRC	114.60		114.60								114.60
Clerk Salary Nov	457.84	457.84									457.84
Bridgnorth Print	72.60					72.60					72.60
monthly total	2084.65	457.84	114.60	0.00	73.90	113.20	348.94	698.57	219.02	58.58	2084.65
December											
Med UK	13.92				11.60					2.32	13.92
SLB Groundcare Nov	682.58							682.58			682.58
Village Life - advert	69.33					69.33					69.33
contribution to stationery	11.60					9.67				1.93	11.60
contribution for cartridges	54.43					45.35				9.08	54.43
DM Evans War Memorial	738.00					615.00				123.00	738.00

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Renewable Elec	11.53								10.95	0.58	11.53
Clerks Salary December	458.04	458.04									458.04
HMRC	114.40		114.40								114.40
MS Office 365	59.99					47.99				12.00	59.99
Sbott Groundcare Dec	682.58							682.58			682.58
monthly total	2896.40	458.04	114.40	0.00	11.60	787.34	0.00	1365.16	10.95	148.90	2896.40
January											
SALC inv 1130	20.00					20.00					20.00
Sbott Groundcare Jan 22	682.58							682.58			682.58
PWLB	273.46			273.46							273.46
Numbers Plus	118.80					99.00				19.80	118.80
HMRC	114.60		114.60								114.60
Clerk Pay	457.84	457.84									457.84
monthly total	1667.28	457.84	114.60	273.46	0.00	119.00	0.00	682.58	0.00	19.80	1667.28
February											
Sbott Groundcare Jan 22	682.58							682.58			682.58
HMRC	114.60		114.60								114.60
Clerk Pay	457.84	457.84									457.84
	1255.02	457.84	114.60	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	682.58	0.00	0.00	1255.02

ii. Reconciliation:

Balance brought forward from Year End 31st March 2021	£28,877.44
Add: Receipts to date	£27,504.86
Less: Payments to date	£22,213.55
Closing Balance at 31st January 2022	£34,168.75

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Bank Balances as at 31st January 2022:

Treasurers account 00809578	£2,411.66
Business Instant Account 01131990	£33,408.45
less unpresented cheques	£1,651.36
	£34,168.75

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