**Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held at Harley Village Hall**

**Tuesday 8th March 2022**

**Present: Cllrs Rob Davies, John Esp, Matt Murray, Kal Parkash, Victoria Todd**

**In attendance: Cllr Claire Wild, Shropshire Council, 3 members of the public and Ian Cruise-Taylor, Parish Clerk**

1. **Chairman’s welcome** – the Chairman welcomed everyone
2. **To note Apologies** – apologies were noted from Cllrs Colin Campbell and Laura Christmas
3. There were no Declarations of Pecuniary Interest to note or dispensation requests to consider.
4. **Public session.** Attention was drawn by a member of the public to a highways drain issue in Wood Lane
5. Council unanimously approved the Minutes from 8th February 2022, with the additional note that the A458 traffic issues should be registered as a formal Community Concern
6. **Shropshire Councillor’s Report**

Cllr Claire Wild drew attention to the:

* importance of residents ensuring they had adequate supplies of heating oil
* rise in Covid 19 cases in the county
* accident on A458 at Harley was caused by a health issue and not the road itself

1. **Planning matters:**
2. **Decisions if any to note: see appendix A -** none
3. **Determine response to new Planning Applications if any: see appendix A –** Council noted the outline application and maintained its objection paying particular attention to the importance of arrangements for an adequate footpath, and to seek to ensure that the development was suited to the location, including its access/egress arrangements
4. **Smartwater:** Update and decision on proposal to purchase Smartwater for residents. Council RESOLVED to purchase 20 kits to sell to interested residents at a reduced price (£20) and to consider further purchase depending on demand
5. **Highways matters:**
6. Councillors to report any highway issues for action, in addition to those noted above:

* a request was made for Shropshire Council to attend to saplings growing on the bridge at Harley and to ask a resident of Cressage to attend to hedging which is obscuring a street sign
* investigate remedies for a spring affecting the road in Severn Way

1. **Financial matters:**
2. Council to agree payment of invoices and charges: see Appendix B – unanimously approved
3. Council to note Bank Reconciliation: Appendix B – unanimously approved
4. Council note agreement that the pension deficit can be repaid over 5 years – fresh invoice to be issued - noted
5. **Reports on Play areas –** Council to consider and agree next steps – Council agreed to await a shortened report from the Parish Clerk to determine action
6. **Other Parish Matters –** to include report back from meetings/training courses attended
7. Update on insurance matter regarding damaged fencing, if available – still awaiting revised quotation from contractor
8. Update and report on complaint to the Parish Council – circulated -deferred to April meeting
9. Discussion and decision about response to proposed closure of Christ Church – there had been no response to the article in Village Life, however Council supported the importance of ensuring the Church building was repaired and maintained until its future was known
10. Discussion about young people’s facilities – deferred
11. Update on under 11s play area drainage, and reports on both play areas. Council noted that interim interventions had reduced the amount of flooding and it was agreed to carry out further works to replace the drain for a longer term solution
12. Defibrillator update: Cllr Davies reported that there had been a very positive response to his request for volunteers and training would now be arranged
13. Community-led Plan: it was noted that volunteers to help with the preparation of a new plan had already been identified
14. The Parish Council also fully supported and endorsed the statement from the political leadership of the Council of European Municipalities and Regions (CEMR), which strongly condemns the multiple attacks and violations of the territorial integrity and sovereignty of Ukraine.
15. **Items for consideration at next Council meeting, not for debate or decision**

* Young people’s facilities
* Community led Plan
* Complaint report

1. **Date & time of next Parish Council meeting – 12th April 2022 at a Harley Village Hall – to start at 7.00 pm with Annual Parish Meeting. The Parish Council meeting will start as soon as the Annual Parish Meeting has finished**

**Appendix A**

1. **Planning decisions:**

None notified

1. **Planning applications**

### 22/00283/OUT: The Eagles Inn 1 Harley Road Cressage SY5 6DF, [Outline application for the development of up to 7 residential dwellings on vacant land adjacent to the former Eagles Inn (all matters reserved)](https://pa.shropshire.gov.uk/online-applications/centralDistribution.do?caseType=Application&keyVal=R5Z10NTDKYJ00)

22/00935/TCA: Old Rectory, Harley, Shropshire, SY5 6LP.PROPOSED - To fell 1No Cedar Tree (No.3) and cut back of branches of 1No Oak Tree (No.1) that overhang the lane within Harley Conservation Area

22/00455/TCA: Harley House, Harley, Shropshire, SY5 6LP

Proposal: To section fell 1No T1 Sliver Birch within Harley Conservation Area

**Appendix B**

**Remaining Payments for approval February 2022**

1. **Payments:**

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| HMRC | 114.60 |
| Clerk Pay | 457.84 |
| SC energy | 262.82 |
| SLB Groundcare inv 2428 | 1125.77 |
| SALC inv1217 | 60.00 |
| VTodd for keys | 30.00 |
| Harley V H room hire | 30.00 |
| Play Inspection | 166.80 |
| SBottGroundcare Feb 22 | 682.58 |

1. **Reconciliation:**

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| Balance brought forward from Year End 31st March 2021 |  | £28,877.44 |
| Add: Receipts to date |  | £27,505.14 |
| Less: Payments to date |  | £26,112.13 |
| Closing Balance at 28th February 2022 |  | £30,270.45 |
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| Bank Balances as at 28th February 2022: |  |  |
| Treasurers Account 00809578 |  | £752.25 |
| Business Instant Account 01131990 |  | £33,408.73 |
| less unpresented cheques |  | £3,890.53 |
| reconciled balance |  | £30,270.45 |