

Cressage, Harley & Sheinton Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of Cressage, Harley & Sheinton Parish Council held at Harley Village Hall on Tuesday 14th February 2023 at 7.00 pm

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

In attendance: Shropshire Cllr Claire Wild, three members of the public and the Parish Clerk (Vanessa Voysey)

22.100 Chairman's welcome

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting

22.101 To note Apologies

Kal Parkash – alternative commitment

22.102 Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and dispensation requests

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest or requests for dispensation at this time

22.103 Public session

A representative from Raby Estates addressed the meeting and said that it is looking to communicate and liaise more with local communities. It is open to suggestions from local people on how the estate can be used as a health and well-being facility.

Cllr Rob Davies noted that there had been conversations within the cycling community about facilities - a cycle track would be welcome as there is an existing need for it. A member of the public present said that Cressage Village Hall used to have a free Christmas tree from Raby Estates.

22.104 Council to consider and agree the Minutes from 10th January 2023

The minutes of 10th January 2023 were accepted as a true record

22.105 Shropshire Councillor's Report

Cllr Claire Wild reported that progress has been made regarding the issue of traffic on Sheinton Road. A meeting has taken place with the Surgery and Public Health. This has started a dialogue that hopefully can be moved forwards. During the meeting, some of the things that the school has done to address traffic issues had been noted. Cllr Wild also noted that a hedge along the route has been trimmed.

The Youth Club at Cross Houses is struggling with volunteers, and it may have to close if this issue is not resolved. She requested that if anyone knew any volunteers if they could please be put forward.

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22.106 Planning matters:

i. Decisions to note

The following was noted:

Reference: 22/04972/FUL (validated: 17/11/2022)
16 Sheinton Road, Cressage, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY5 6DH
Proposed conversion of detached garage including rear extension to form one bedroom annexe and erection of rear kitchen extension
Decision: Refuse

The following decision made on February 13th after the publication of the Agenda was noted:

22/05759/FUL (validated: 11/01/2023)
25 Harley Road, Cressage, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY5 6DF
Erection of a two storey extension to rear and internal remodelling
Decision: Granted

ii. Determine response to new Planning Applications

The following was noted:

22/02781/VAR The Eagles Inn, 1 Harley Road, Cressage, Shrewsbury.
Planning Inspector ref: APP/L3245/Y/22/3306565
Appeal reference: 23/03111/NONDET
Appeal start date: 17 January 2023

22/00525/OUT The Eagles Inn, 1 Harley Road, Cressage, Shrewsbury
Outline application for the development of up to 7 residential dwellings on vacant land adjacent to the former Eagles Inn (all matters reserved) Resubmission of 22/00283/OUT

There was some discussion on the re-submission of the development of the Eagles, including reference to social media comments reflecting the view of residents. Questions are still being asked about the footpath being using on the site, but it was noted that this is a permissive footpath and there is no definitive right to retain it.

The Chairman, Cllr Victoria Todd, requested that members of the Council bring views about the re-submission of the development at the Eagles to the next meeting. It was important that resident's views were sought, and a request for their views should be put in March's edition of Village Life.

22.107 Highways matters:

- i. The Chairman, Cllr Victoria Todd, noted that the leak on Severn Way has been filled in and tarmacked over.

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- ii. The following road closures were noted:
 - i) National Grid has planned a road closure from the A458 Junction at Harley Nursery to the A458 Old Mill junction between 20th and 24th February
 - ii) Road Closure: Severn Trent has planned a road closure on Sheinton Road to the end of Whitwell former Bridgnorth District boundary on 23rd March.

22.108 Financial matters:

- i. The Council agreed payment of invoices and charges

Payee	Item	Amount	Date of Invoice
Clerk	Salary month 10	£501.87	15/1/2023
HMRC	Tax month 10	£125.60	15/1/2023
Clerk	Travel (Feb)	£15.39	14/2/2023
Shropshire Council	Street Lighting	£260.41	25/1/2023
Numbers Plus	Defibrillator annual service charge	£118.80	25/1/2023
Ecotricity (direct debit)	Pavilion heat/light	£15.92	Due 13/2/2023
PWLB loans (direct debit)	<i>Scheduled repayment</i>	£273.46	Due 13/2/2023
Playground Inspection Company	<i>Annual inspection – invoice received after publication of the agenda</i>	£179.59	Due 13/3/2023

- ii. Council agreed to note the receipts and expenditure to end January
- iii. Council agreed to note the Bank Reconciliation to end January
- iv. Council agreed to note the Spend Against Budget to end January
- v. Council considered the Asset Register, and agreed an updated version
- vi. Council considered and agreed the Financial Risk Assessment, with the amendment that Banking Arrangements risk be downgraded from medium to low as it is considered that all measures are in place that are available at this time

22.109 Other Parish Matters

- i. Update on under 11s play area and proposals for more accessible equipment: the Parish Clerk has received two quotes, Ray Parry has requested an follow-up visit before providing an updated quote. A visit has been arranged for 24th February.
- ii. SYA and Youth Worker Facilities: it was noted that the Youth Club at Cross Houses has the potential to close because of a shortage of volunteers. A combined club would be the most cost effective option for providing youth services in the Parish. It was noted that other options were both more costly and would also require volunteers. It was requested that the Parish Clerk include a request for volunteers in this month's Village Life article and noted that full training would be given.

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- iii. School Parking: Cllr Claire Wild provided an update earlier in the meeting.
- iv. Cressage Village Hall will be open for bookings from April. It was agreed that Parish Council meetings return to assemble in Cressage Village Hall between April and November (there is no meeting in August).
- v. Flooding on Severn Way: an update was given earlier in the meeting, this matter has been resolved.
- vi. It was requested that the Parish Clerk circulate information about upcoming training available through SALC (Shropshire Association of Local Councils).
- vii. It was agreed that the maintenance contractor be asked to clean the road signs in the Parish.
- viii. Under 11s Play Area: it was noted that access is being gained from a private garden and the contractor would be asked to secure the perimeter.

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

- Resubmission of plans for the Eagles development
- Cressage Village Hall: opening date
- Provision of litter bins

22.111 Date & time of next Council meeting – 14th March 2023 at Harley Village Hall at 7.00 pm