

# **CRESSAGE, HARLEY AND SHEINTON**

## **PARISH COUNCIL**

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### **Minutes of Council Meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2019**

#### **at Harley Village Hall at 7pm**

**Present:** Cllr. Quenby (Chairman), Cllrs. Aston, Bott, Campbell, Esp, Lawrence and Todd

**Absent:** None.

**In attendance:** Clerk: Rebecca Turner, Shropshire Cllr. Claire Wild, 6 members of the public

#### 69/1920 **PERSONS PRESENT & RECEIVE APOLOGIES & REASONS FOR ABSENCE**

All present.

#### 70/1920 **DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

Cllr. Bott re payments to his company.

#### 71/1920 **DISPENSATION REQUESTS**

None.

#### 72/1920 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION**

- The Eagles demolition application – noted it has been withdrawn – a member of the public was concerned it may be listed and could prevent demolition/re-development. Noted that highway comments did not pick up on the improvements to the footpath. He asked if there has been feedback from developer. Chair said he is keen to develop the area and Cressage parishioners have to decide whether to safety of children going to school on a better footpath and less ASB outweighs preserving a derelict building.
- Resident of The Mill, Harley – have had flood issues in the past. Storm drain directs flow towards him and yesterday would have been flooded had a wall not been in knocked out would have bene flooded. Storm drains all too far into the hedgerow to be effective in intercepting water. Needs a larger drain with greater capacity that will not get blocked with debris. Asking if SC Highways can visit – parish council to arrange to visit with him and invite the resident. Cllr. Wild highlighted a drain in Church Preen where they devised a drain that catches rain
- Speed limit in Harley, restriction to 30mph is needed – raise with SC Highways
- Agent re application 19/04227/FUL – come to answer any queries. Explained that preferred field adjacent to highway and opposite property with restrictive covenant. Proposal is therefore 25 to 30metres behind, respects mature trees. Have tried to address technical and neighbourly issues. Facing materials – façade is stone (similar to stone on barn conversions in Harley) and smaller building timber clad. Asked how have they addressed concern sin pre-app advice – they have explained about the covenant. Can't fully address it without wholly re-site it which isn't possible. Hope that it can fit local needs housing scheme. Cllr. Wild says all comes down to policy. Like affordable homes on the road not set back. Planning officer would be likely to be minded to refuse it but if PC support it, she could ask for it to be called in to committee. Neighbour not willing to release the covenant and even if they were the cost of doing so would render it not an affordable scheme.
- Land manager Raby Estate introduced himself.

#### 73/1920 **REPORTS**

- a) *Police Report* – none received. Chase for a report/attendance.
- b) *Shropshire Council* – Cllr Wild had been to see the exhibition at Buildwas re mineral extraction at The Sand Quarry, Buildwas. Cllr. Wild will circulate. Network Rail have agreed to upgrade the bridge, no date yet. The landowners are organising a meeting for the parishes mid-November. In regard to The Eagles, applicants have been to see planning officers and likely to apply for pre-application advice with planning officer and

historic environment officer input. A 1700s timber stud wall was found. Applicants also need to explain viability issues. Sheinton Road junction needs to be part of the discussion.

- c) *Clerk's Report* – clerk to check 30W bulbs have been used in the new lights.

Issue	Update(s)
Street lights	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The issue of the power to the telephone kiosk box which is presently billed with the street lights is being investigated by SC. I have asked if it can be included with the bill for street light energy from SC. LED lights currently being installed – should be done by early to mid October.</li> </ul>
Highways	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Notice placed in Village Life reminding people to cut hedges on their property where they may obstruct aspects of the highway and street furniture such as road signs and light columns.</li> </ul>
Village Life	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Email received from editor asking if council could meet before permission is given to place copies of the publication on the council website</li> </ul>
Policing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reports of drug-related activity in Cressage have been passed to the police</li> </ul>

- d) *Parish Councillor Reports* – junction of The Moors blocked by people parking on junction when doing school drop-off. Write to school and police. Cllr. Bott has also started spraying the dog fouling stencils.
- e) *Ironbridge Power Station* – noted.

74/1920 **MINUTES** – it was **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> September 2019 as being a correct record and they were duly signed by the chairman.

#### 75/1920 **PLANNING NOTIFICATIONS**

- 19/03416/HRM - Severn Springs Farm, Sheinton, Shrewsbury, TF13 6NT  
Proposal: To remove one section of hedgerow totalling 138m on land at Seven Springs Farm, Much Wenlock, to improve the workability of the fields and reduce soil erosion.  
**Decision: Objection**  
Cllr. Lawrence asked why this has been objected to – Cllr. Wild said it is likely to be if more than 5 species were in the hedge or if it is an ancient hedgerow.
- 19/03059/FUL - The Eagles Inn, Harley Road, Cressage, SY5 6DF  
Proposal: Demolition of former public house and clearance of site  
**Decision: Withdrawn**

#### 76/1920 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS – FOR COMMENT**

Item 77/1920 had been received as a formal planning application on day of issue of the agenda and so was considered under this item

- 19/04227/FUL - Proposed Affordable Dwelling To The South West Of, Harley, Shrewsbury  
Proposal: Erection of Local Need Dwelling and garage, access and installation of package treatment plant  
Comments: It was **RESOLVED** to support the application as the applicants have demonstrated a local need, the land benefits from being behind trees, local stonework, minimises any negative impact on the amenity of neighbours and is in keeping with the general pattern of landowners in Harley having property adjacent to their farming activities.

#### 77/1920 **OTHER PLANNING MATTERS**

- Local needs home – draft plans from Mr & Mrs Aitchinson for plot at Harley – see 76/1920.

#### 78/1920 **POLICY & GOVERNANCE MATTERS**

- Fete – to set up working group/committee & agree TOR* – it was **RESOLVED** to set up a working group – two members of council (Cllr. Todd, Bott) to sit on it, Isobel Trow to lead it. Group to bring recommendations back to council for approval. Clerk to look into banking arrangements for the fete.
- Tug of War competition - to set up working group/committee & agree TOR* - it was **RESOLVED** to set up a working group – two members of council (Cllr. Aston, Cllr. Campbell) to sit on it, Roger Beardsmore to

lead it. Group to bring recommendations back to council for approval. Clerk to look into banking arrangements for the fete.

- c) *Risk Assessment & Fire Risk Assessment for Cressage Pavilion* – Martin Watson, a local Health & Safety consultant to assist with doing the assessments free of charge. Key items needed include fire extinguishers, fire blanket, PAT testing (John Peters has been asked to do it), first aid thermal blanket.

#### 79/1920 **PARISH MATTERS**

- a) *Cressage Bridge* – no update.
- b) *Hedges Harley* – no update. Some hedges still require cutting. Cllr. Todd has given Jonathan Ingoldby (JI) the names of the landowners. Clerk to follow up and to get a date for the next 3 monthly meeting with JI.
- c) *Play area/recreation ground safety inspection reports* – one featheredge board missing on the Recreation Ground. Bolt missing on climbing frame at Under 11s. It was **RESOLVED** that the grounds maintenance contractor would fix these items and that going forward he has the council's authority to fix minor items as when he finds them
- d) *Dog fouling at the recreation ground* – a major issue and the football team had to clear up over a dozen dog excreta. It seems from word of mouth that the majority of dog fouling is happening after dark. It was agreed to put an article in Village Life suggesting that a dog walkers group be formed that monitors dog fouling. It was **RESOLVED** to put signage up asking if dog walkers keep to the perimeter and to ask the dog warden to make visits. It was agreed that security lights on the pavilion building may help alleviate the issue – quotes to be considered at the November meeting.
- e) *Hire of recreation ground by football team – to agree & terms of hire* – Wenlock Warriors Under 12s want to use it as a home ground, play on a Sunday and use as a practice area on a Saturday. It was **RESOLVED** to hire it to the club for £35 per weekend – club to email fixture list to the clerk.
- f) *Pavilion* – see item e.
- g) *West Mids Railways Community Fund – to consider projects for submission* – it was **RESOLVED** to submit a bid for funding towards upgrade of the pavilion and the parish council to offer 15% match funding.
- h) *Remembrance Sunday* – clerk has obtained road closure permits. Severn Trent works not affecting the closure route as they are on Severn Way. It was agreed to put an invite in Village Life to come at 10.50am – Cllr. Todd to write to Village Life and clerk to post on CRAG group and website re Remembrance Sunday. Village Life to be asked to include diary dates for council meetings and Remembrance Sunday.
- i) *Parking spaces at Cressage Church* – the planning enforcement case had been dismissed and it was noted that the builders have built as per the plans as it goes up to the boundary with the church. It was agreed to look into putting up signage to indicate that the parking is for church users – wording of signage to be agreed at Nov meeting.
- j) *Reports of urgent parish matters (for info only)*
- Chair to meet with Geoff Hunt, one of the editors re publishing online.
  - Man coming into Cressage on the bus - sitting on the decking or under the oak tree all day drinking – report to the club and police.
  - Advertise again for litter picking volunteers in Village Life.

#### 80/1920 **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

- a) *External audit report – to note and conclusion of audit* – noted, no issues raised and conclusion of audit has been advertised.
- b) *Payments including payments made between meetings* – it was **RESOLVED** to approve the following:

Ref	Payee	Item	Chq	Net	VAT	Gross
P50-1920	Water Plus	Pavilion	DD	£52.15	£0.00	£52.15
P51-1920	SLB Grounds Maintenance	Maintenance contract Sep	SO	£643.40	£0.00	£643.40
P52-1920	R Turner	Salary Sep	SO	£372.64	£0.00	£372.64
P53-1920	John Peters Electrical	Pavilion works	2216	£199.28	£0.00	£199.28
P54-1920	PKF Littlejohn	External audit	2217	£200.00	£40.00	£240.00
P55-1920	R Turner	Expenses Sep	2218	£34.43	£0.00	£34.43
P56-1920	HMRC	PAYE Q2	2219	£279.60	£0.00	£279.60
P57-1920	SCPF	Pension Sep	2220	£80.36	£0.00	£80.36
P58-1920	Harley Village Hall	Room hire	2221	£10.00	£0.00	£10.00
VOID	VOID	VOID	2223	VOID	VOID	VOID
P59-1920	S L Bott	Spray paint	2222	£23.30	£4.67	£27.97

P60-1920	SLB Grounds Maintenance	Maintenance	2224	£203.25	£0.00	£203.25
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*c) Income received*

Ref	Payee	Item	Amount
R11-1920	Lloyds	Interest Sep	£0.31
R12-1920	V Todd	Expenses overpaid	£27.04
R13-1920	Cressage Fete	Surplus funds (being held for 2020 fete)	£146.72

81/1920 **CORRESPONDENCE** – *noted as follows:*

- a) *SALC Bulletins*
- b) *BT payphone consultation – boxes in Harley and Cressage-* previously objected to Harley box removal on grounds it is an accident blackspot. It was **RESOLVED** to support the retention of both phone boxes if SC feels they are needed. If SC is not minded to press for their adoption, it was agreed to adopt both the Harley and Cressage boxes.
- c) *CIL updates* – the EOI process for CIL (Local) applications is now open on a rolling basis.
- d) *Youth Support consultation* – Cllr. Quenby to review the survey.

82/1920 **NEXT MEETINGS**

- a) *Date of next meeting* – 6<sup>th</sup> November 2019, Cressage Village Hall at 7pm
- b) *Items for agenda- to note requests*
  - Parish Plan – Environment topic.

*It is recommended that pursuant to Schedule 12A, Local Government Act 1972 and pursuant to the provisions of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960, that the public and press should be excluded during discussion of Item 83/1920, due to the likely disclosure of confidential information*

83/1920 **CLERK'S MID-YEAR APPRAISAL & ANNUAL LEAVE**

- Councillors to meet to carry out appraisal prior to next meeting
- Clerk's annual leave for October agreed