

Cressage, Harley and Sheinton PC

Minutes of Council Meeting held on 3rd October 2018

at Harley Village Hall at 7pm

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

Absent: None

In attendance: Shropshire Cllr. Wild, Andy Evans – SC Network Solutions Team Manager (Passenger Transport Services), Jack Grove – Arriva Regional Operations Manager, 3 members of the public

Clerk: Mrs R Turner

70/1819 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

None, all present.

71/1819 **DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

Cllr. Bott re payments to his company.

72/1819 **DISPENSATION REQUESTS**

None

73/1819 **BUS SERVICE 436 HARLEY**

The service is subsidised by SC, who have a contract with Arriva. The Traffic Commissioner has had complaints re the timing of buses. As a result, some buses that come through Harley have been altered.

Jack Grove explained that Arriva has a 5-year contract for the Service 436; Arriva have also operated it in the past. The service was 65% punctual on the previous timetable (no more than 1 min early/5 mins late). Arriva looked at patronage and where people are boarding the route. Harley has lowest usage, 2/3 people per day. As a result, the service was changed from hourly peak and off peak to hourly peak and every 2 hours off-peak. The peak timetable gives vehicles slightly more time to make stops. Pick up times are staggered accordingly. Saving of time is 6 mins on the overall round route for the bus. The service now has 85% punctuality. Punctuality analysis has looked at both current contract and previous contracts and real time tracking from ticket machines. Jack was asking if the times are now OK? Bus usage has halved since the times were altered. It was explained to Jack that Harley has a significant elderly population so some residents totally reliant on the bus. There is also a younger age group, some families with teenagers, who will need the service in future. The council also questioned if 2 years of roadworks on the route may have skewed the punctuality statistics. Jack explained that the GPS tracking system on the route includes 6 years' worth of data. Jack was asked if the service was changed to connect to the bus to Wolverhampton as the 436 becomes the 9 to Wolverhampton at Bridgnorth. Jack said that the Harley service was not altered due to this. Jack was asked if the service can leave Shrewsbury a little earlier to come through earlier. Jack explained that 2 buses run the 436 service and the incoming vehicle would not arrive with enough time to unload and reload and depart. It was also suggested that the bus could reverse onto Meadow Close to help with timings. The social impact of bus changes was highlighted as a concern. Jack stated that there will be a review period and continuous monitoring. Andy and Jack agreed to liaise with Cllr Todd to see if they can tweak the bus journey times off peak.

74/1819 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION**

A member of the public asked who will the parking by church be vested in in the long term, in particular beyond 2021? The answer was not known but it is assumed this will be detailed in the relevant conveyancing document. It was noted that soakaways run under this area.

75/1819 **MINUTES**

a) *Minutes dated 5TH September 2018*

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes as being a correct record and they were duly signed by the chairman.

b) *Matters arising not covered elsewhere on agenda*

- Workshop re Buildwas – on 11th October.
- Enforcement – a request has been made to ask if the structure concerned has appropriate insurance. Clerk to follow up with planning and licensing.
- Garage site – clerk to feed back to Paul Aston
- The Eagles – clerk to respond to the letter from a resident re the eagles.
- Bollards – ordered.
- Some lights need vegetation clearing – Cllr, Bott to send a list to the clerk. It was agreed that a letter will be drafted to householders asking them to remove the vegetation by end of October and that clarification will be sought from Prysmian re how much vegetation to remove. It was noted that it may be preferable to replace lights with LEDs as they fail rather than replacing them all in one go. Clerk to obtain prices for approval at the next meeting.

76/1819 **REPORTS**

a) *Police Report*

Crimes recorded for the parish July 1st to Sep 22nd:

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| Assault: 0 | Theft: 1 | Burglary Other: 0 |
| Vehicle Crime: 1 | Criminal Damage: 0 | Burglary Dwelling:0 |
| Other: 3 | Road Traffic Incident: 10 | Road Collision: 3 |
| ASB Personal: 3 | ASB Environmental: 0 | ASB Nuisance: 4 |

Notes to report provided by police:

15.8 - Rogue Fish Mongers in Harley selling overpriced fish from unrefrigerated vehicle.

8.9 - Robbery along A458 outside Cressage. Delivery driver had VW Transporter taken from him. Found abandoned in Harley.

b) *Shropshire Council*

It was noted that the builders have not been at the church site for over 4 weeks. Clerk to contact the agent to find out what is happening.

Concerns re traffic impact from Ironbridge Power Station development. The slump in the road on Ironbridge Bypass, Jiggers Bank by T & W sign – needs work. Cllr. Wild said this has been reported.

Future Fit – no update on long term situation as yet. A & E in PRH now being closed overnight.

SC Forward Plan – Local Plan Review site allocations document going to cabinet 7th November.

c) *Parish Councillor Reports*

Cllr. Todd had attended the Local Transport Plan 4 workshop with WSP. It had focused on vision and participating in consulting.

77/1819 **PLANNING NOTIFICATIONS– For information only**

a) 18/03130/FUL - Long Barn, Harley, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY5 6LP

Proposal: Erection of a detached 2 bay oak framed timber garage

Decision: Grant Permission

78/1819 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS – To agree comments**

a) 18/04400/TCA - Glebe Cottage, Harley, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY5 6LX

Proposal: To remove 1No small fruit tree, prune 50% of height 1No Holly tree and remove 50% crown of 1No Hazel tree within Harley Conservation Area.

Comments: It was **RESOLVED** to not comment.

79/1819 **PARISH MATTERS**

- a) *Highway maintenance issues* – the following issues were reported
- The Old Bakery – request for roadside mirror and to move the 40mph sign position – resident is following this up with SC
 - Road surfacing - to be done through Cressage village. A large pothole opposite Station Road Cressage SY5 6AD had been reported.
- b) *War memorial* – STW treating it as an urgent matter and been give notice to repair by mid-October.
- c) *Commemoration of WWI centenary* – noted that the church has organised a ceremony.
- d) *The Eagles Inn* – Cllrs. Tipper and Lawrence attended negotiating a better outcome in planning meeting and circulated notes. It was suggested that the parish council engage with the owner of The Eagles re his future plans for the site. Cllr. Lawrence to make contact with him.
- e) *Cressage Village Hall room hire rates & venues for future meetings* – the hall is offering a rate of £15 per council meeting which was gratefully accepted. Venues to be as agreed at the May 2018 meeting.
- f) *Street lights – maintenance* – see item 75/1819b.
- g) *Churchyard condition* – Cllr. Lawrence had spoken to Reverend Matthew Stafford re the churchyard condition. Caring for Gods Acre had worked there recently but no one volunteered to help them. They are due to come back in March. The council will publicise this in Village Life and arrange a joint article from the church/council; Cllr. Lawrence to liaise with Reverend Sarah Hare. Cllr Todd to liaise with CFGA re arranging volunteer work.
- h) *Councillors DPI forms* – councillors wished to seek further advice from SALC as they were concerned that the forms requests information which constitutes an invasion of privacy.

80/1819 **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

- a) It was **RESOLVED** to approve the following payments including payments made between meetings

| Ref | Payee | Item | Chq | Net | VAT | Gross |
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| P44-1819 | S L Bott | Maintenance contract | SO | £533.26 | £0.00 | £533.26 |
| P45-1819 | R Turner | Salary | SO | £354.20 | £0.00 | £354.20 |
| P46-1819 | S L Bott | Highway maintenance | 2152 | £525.00 | £0.00 | £525.00 |
| P47-1819 | R Turner | Expenses | 2153 | £33.53 | £0.00 | £33.53 |
| P48-1819 | HMRC Q2 | PAYE | 2154 | £268.00 | £0.00 | £268.00 |
| P49-1819 | SCPF | Pension | 2155 | £76.36 | £0.00 | £76.36 |
| P50-1819 | Cressage VH | Room hire Sep 18- May 19 | 2156 | £90.00 | £0.00 | £90.00 |
| P51-1819 | Harley VH | Room hire Oct | 2157 | £10.00 | £0.00 | £10.00 |

- b) *Income received – noted as follows:*

| Ref | Payee | Item | Amount |
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| R9-1819 | Lloyds | Interest | £0.29 |

81/1819 **CORRESPONDENCE** – noted as follows:

- a) *SALC Info Bulletins*
- b) *Any other correspondence* – none.

82/1819 **ANY URGENT BUSINESS NOT COVERED BY THE AGENDA** – for information only

- RoSPA – this is overdue. Clerk to ask John Hicks to do it urgently.
- Noted that SC's free tree scheme is not running this year.
- Village Life diary – noted that parish council meetings not in there. The clerk was asked to put the date of the next meeting in sequence with the magazine publishing date and to purchase a ¼ or 1/8th page advert in the magazine with dates of meetings.
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83/1819 **NEXT MEETING**

- a) 7th November, 7pm at Cressage Village Hall
- b) Items for agenda - to note requests
 - Price for new steel litter bin – the clerk was asked to get a price for a bin like the one purchased by Berrington PC.

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 84/1819, due to the likely disclosure of confidential information

84/1819 **CLERK'S PROBATION PERIOD**

It was **RESOLVED** that the clerk has successfully completed her probation period.