

CRESSAGE, HARLEY & SHEINTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Council Meeting held on 9th January 2019

at Harley Village Hall at 7pm

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

Absent: None

In attendance: Clerk: Rebecca Turner, 4 members of the public

120/1819 **PRESENT & APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Shropshire Cllr. Claire Wild had sent apologies.

121/1819 **DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

Cllr. Bott 136/1819 and payments.

122/1819 **DISPENSATION REQUESTS**

None.

123/1819 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION**

130/1819 – the applicant spoke re his request for the parish council to confirm the local connection of him and his wife, as per SC's policy for persons looking to build an affordable home. The applicant was asked to give documentary evidence of how he meets SC's policy criteria for local connection by providing information on his self-employment in the local area and community involvement. The council will then assess his request once this information has been received.

A resident whose house backs onto The Eagles Inn spoke. There are ongoing issues with a conifer tree in the grounds of The Eagles, adjacent to her garden. The lower branches were removed by the landowner but the tree still leans over and deposits seeds and debris in her garden and blocks light. The resident also raised the problem of fly tipping at The Eagles. The parish council will contact the owner of The Eagles re the tree and the issue of fly tipping needs to be dealt with by Shropshire Council.

A resident asked if the meeting notes from the meeting re the Local Plan on 8th January will be available – the clerk advised they will be posted to the parish council website. The parish council were asked if it had already decided if it wants to be a community hub or open countryside? The chairman explained that this is the purpose of the current Shropshire Council consultation, to give all parties chance to state their views. A member of the public commented on an area of land on Sheinton Road which had been the subject of a rejected planning application and appeal. He asked about the implications of being a community hub vs open countryside and the development boundary. The clerk advised that it was her understanding, from speaking to Planning Policy, that the development boundary would stand but if an exception (affordable housing) proposal was put forward there may be development outside of the boundary. However, the need for the development would need to be demonstrated by the applicant(s).

124/1819 **REPORTS**

- a) *Police Report* – clerk to forward details of the new police team to councillors and upload to the website and update posters in the parish. It was observed that the police aren't present in the parish very frequently.
- b) *Shropshire Council* – no report.
- c) *Parish Councillor Reports* – no reports.

125/1819 **MINUTES** – Cllr. Bott asked for corrections to minutes dated 5th December 2018 in regard to it being noted that he left the room for item 119/1819 and was not asked to back to the room to hear the decision. It was agreed to correct the minutes and approve at the next meeting.

The council asked for draft minutes to be sent within a week of meetings.

126/1819 **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES** – *to review and consider actions arising*

- a) *The Eagles Inn – fly tipping* – write to landowner.
- b) *30mph sign on Much Wenlock side of A458* – has been done.
- c) *Sheinton noticeboard* – repairs to be done.
- d) *Churchyard volunteers* – two volunteers so far. Agreed that a community effort would be needed to keep church active. It was agreed to ask Vicar Sarah Hare if she wants to organise a community day and to publish it in Village Life – Cllr. Todd to contact her.
- e) *Playground repairs – update and quote* – sealant ordered and bins arrived. Under 11s work to be done and quote to be done for repairs to ply boards.
- f) *Application 18/05179/FUL Land Off Shrewsbury Road Cressage - formation of a new agricultural access – correspondence from applicant* – noted. Detailed comments made by the PC had been withdrawn following clarification from applicant.
- g) *Wood Lane stile* – SC to address.
- h) *Falling bollards* – SC highways technician to follow up.
- i) *Hedge at Oak Farm* – write to Mr Price.
- j) *Road collapsed on Severn Way by turn off A458* - scoping request for work to be quantified and quoted for has been raised by SC.
- k) *PCC funding for traffic calming schemes* – to be looked at for Feb meeting.
- l) *Any other matter arising* – none.
 - Kerbing by bridge on Station Road falling away – stability was checked by SC. Safety report to be requested and to ask when it will be re-assessed as the road has deteriorated further.

127/1819 **LOCAL PLAN REVIEW CONSULTATION**

It was **RESOLVED** unanimously to make the following comments in response to the consultation, question references as per the SC consultation form (only questions applicable to the parish were answered):

Q3 – Do you think Shropshire Council should introduce a cross-subsidy exception site policy, allowing an element of open market housing to support the delivery of affordable housing?

Response: No

Q5 - Do you consider that it is appropriate for some settlements to include a windfall allowance to help deliver their housing guideline?

Response: No opinion

Q6 - Do you consider that this is appropriate for some settlements to include a windfall allowance to help deliver their employment guideline?

Response: No opinion

Q32a – Do you agree with the identification of Cressage as a Community Hub*?

Response: The village is currently struggling to sustain services such as the shop, church and development would help to support these services and others such as the school, community groups/events. There is no Post Office service so the points for this need to be removed. Development sites must deliver traffic calming on the A458. Development would also generate CIL which can be invested in the community.

Q32b – Do you agree with the preferred housing guideline for Cressage?

Response: Yes

Q32c – Do you agree with the proposed development boundary for Cressage?

Response: Yes

Q32d - Do you agree with the preferred housing allocation CES005 in Cressage?

Response: Yes

Q32e - Do you agree with the preferred housing allocation CES006 in Cressage?

Response: Yes

128/1819 **PLANNING NOTIFICATIONS** – *For information only*

- a) 18/05389/HRM - Belwardine Farm, Sheinton Road, Cressage, Shrewsbury, SY5 6DQ
Proposal: To remove two adjoining sections of hedge totalling 392m on land at Belwardine Farm, Cressage due to poor condition and being no longer stock proof and to improve workability of fields.
Decision: No Objection
- b) 18/02397/FUL - Church Farm, Sheinton, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY5 6DN
Proposal: Formation of access from the highway into an agricultural field
Decision: Grant Permission
- c) 18/04603/TPO - Oak Tree Farm, B4380 From Cressage A458 To Eaton Constantine Junction, Cressage, Shrewsbury, SY5 6AD
Proposal: To fell 1 No Blue Atlas Cedar protected by Shrewsbury & Atcham Borough Council (Land at Severn Way, The Moors & Surrounding Areas, Cressage) Tree Preservation Order 2007
Decision: Grant Permission

129/1819 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS** – *To agree comments*

- a) 18/05783/FUL - 14 Harley Road, Cressage, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY5 6DF
Proposal: Erection of single storey rear extension
Comments: It was **RESOLVED** to not comment.
- b) 18/05041/FUL - Cressage Mens Club, Application under Section 73A of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 for the formation of a decked area (retrospective)
Notification that this application would be considered at SC Planning Committee had been received. It was agreed that Cllr. Lawrence would attend and speak on behalf of the parish council.

130/1819 **PARISH MATTERS**

- a) *Request to confirm local connection* – deferred pending further information requested from the applicant.

131/1819 **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

- a) *Street lights report* – the clerk's report on the lights, the EON condition report and quotes for works were noted. It was agreed to seek quotes to repair the 4 columns needing repair but not the pole lantern as this light had been missing for a considerable period of time so did not warrant replacing. It was also agreed to do the minor works needed to multiple lanterns. The street lights reserve would need to be used to part fund the cost of these repair works; the clerk recommended that this was not ideal but using reserves would help to reduce impact on the precept and the reserve can be built back up over time. It was agreed not to pursue moving light no 7 on Sheinton Rd which keeps getting struck as the cost was likely to be circa £4,000. It was agreed to seek a further 2 quotes for all these works. It was **RESOLVED** to consult via the parish council website and Village Life on applying for a public works loan, the loan to be to replace all 41 lantern heads with LEDs, at a cost of £170 each, total £6,970; the clerk said she would check if cost of the LEDs already claimed could be covered by the loan.
- b) *Q3 budget report and bank reconciliation* – it was **RESOLVED** to approve the report, as per Appendix 1, the reconciled balance being £25,613.24.
- c) *Budget & precept requirement 2019/20* – the draft report was noted and the council noted that it has been running on a deficit budget and this is not sustainable as reserves are modest and it is not sustainable to continue to deplete them year on year. Therefore, a rise in the precept is likely to be needed but it was agreed to defer consideration of the budget and precept until the February meeting, to allow time to gather more info re the street lights and the maintenance contract cost.

d) *Payments including payments made between meetings – it was **RESOLVED** to approve the following:*

Ref	Payee	Item	Chq	Net	VAT	Gross
P71-1819	S L Bott	Maintenance contract	SO	£533.26	£0.00	£533.26
P72-1819	R Turner	Salary Dec	SO	£354.20	£0.00	£354.20
P73-1819	SCPF	Pension Jan	2171	£76.36	£0.00	£76.36
P74-1819	R Turner	Expenses	2172	£100.93	£0.00	£100.93
P75-1819	Harley Village Hall	Room hire	2173	£10.00	£0.00	£10.00
P76-1819	Wicksteed	Sealant for play area tiles	2174	£156.24	£31.25	£187.49
P77-1819	EON	Street lighting maintenance	2175	£2330.00	£466.00	£2796.00

e) *Income received*

Ref	Payee	Item	Amount
R12-1819	Lloyds	Interest	£0.31

132/1819 **CORRESPONDENCE** – *noted as follows:*

- a) *SALC Info Bulletins*
- b) *Any other correspondence - FOI request noted – clerk to respond and provide info requested.*

133/1819 **ANY URGENT BUSINESS NOT COVERED BY THE AGENDA** – *for information only*
None.

134/1819 **NEXT MEETING**

- a) *6th February 2019 at Cressage Village Hall, 7pm*
- b) *Items for agenda - to note requests – none.*

*It was **RESOLVED** 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 Items 135/1819 to 136/1819 due to the likely disclosure of confidential information*

135/1819 **PLANNING ENFORCEMENT & LICENSING MATTERS** – no updates.

136/1819 **MAINTENANCE CONTRACT**

It was **RESOLVED** to agree some amendments to the draft specification of the contract and to invite 3 contractors to quote with a deadline of 31st January 2019.