

MINUTES OF THE SHELSLEYS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
Meeting held on 8th March at 7.00pm in the year 2022

Present: Dr Laura Taylor, Mrs Val Jones, Mr Dave Bates, Mr John Stinton, Mr David Styles, Mr Rob Pound, Mrs Karen Metcalfe and Mrs Louise Hutton. The Chairman welcomed everyone.

In Attendance: County Councillor David Chambers and District Councillor Caroline Palethorpe. Three members of the public and the Clerk.

6.1 Apologies: Mrs Jean Hammond (accepted).

6.2 Declaration of Interest: Mr Rob Pound for Item 9 Planning.

6.3 Minutes: The Minutes of January 11th 2022 were accepted and agreed as a true record by those attending the meeting and were duly signed by the Chairman.

Public Question Time: None.

6.4 Midland Automobile Club (MAC): The application for footpath waivers has been submitted and dates for forthcoming events are on the MAC website.

There was a discussion on the Teme Triangle website and Facebook pages and the need to keep these updated for information on hill climb events.

The Residents' Liaison Group. The MAC will act as a medium but requires people to come forward to participate in it. Toby Moody's email and contact details are freely available.

Cars attending hill climb events will be directed to use the Ham Bridge and Stanford Bridge approaches thus avoiding Shelsley Beauchamp village.

There will be an event The Best of British on the Jubilee weekend June 4th and 5th.

The Noggin and Natter evenings were proving popular and it was reiterated that these are open to everyone including local residents. They are held on the first Thursday of the month, the next is on April 7th from 5pm.

6.5 District and County Councillor Reports: Written reports will be available on the website. County Councillor Chambers expanded on his report and gave details of his Divisional Fund available from April to which parish councils can apply for community project funding.

Broadband. The Pudford Lane project has stalled, Councillor Metcalfe was invited to email County Councillor Chambers with the details and he will endeavor to assist.

District Councillor Palethorpe was informed of the prospective parish map which it is hoped could be produced for the Jubilee, she spoke of crowd funding and encouraged a speedy application to Malvern Hills District Council for possible help with the costs. Councillor Palethorpe also has access to a small fund for community projects.

Boundary changes. MHDC has produced the draft changes to boundaries which affect this parish. Any comments from the Parish Council must be lodged by March 21st

6.6 Broadband: None of the projects within the parish have so far been completed although some vouchers have been received by participants.

The Camp Lane project has had one withdrawal from the scheme and Rob Stepniewski from Worcester County Council will be contacted for advice as there is now a shortfall in numbers.

6.7 Progress Reports: Recycling bins at the Village Hall. This looks very unlikely as the cost and requirements from MHDC to place the bins would be prohibitive.

Proposed defibrillator at the Village Hall. The VHMC is still obtaining quotations which vary considerably in price and benefits, to be placed on the next agenda. District Councillor Palethorpe supports this proposal.

Waste bin at The Stirt. As previously agreed this will be replaced and the Chairman to finalise the
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design at a cost up to £900

6.8 Highways Footpaths and Lengthsman:

Lengthsman. An invoice but no time sheets have been received. It was agreed that the invoice be paid after receipt and inspection by the Councillors. Councillors insist in future that photographs must be taken of the work carried out, before and after and that this should be included in the contract the Parish Council has with the lengthsman which is renewable in April.

The Lengthsman has informed the Parish Council of his intention to increase prices. He reported that WCC should be instructed to jet the gullies by the airfield.

Roadside bench on Kingswood Lane. CC Chambers has arranged to meet the Highways Liaison Officer on site on Friday March 11th to discuss the siting of the bench. Councillor Jones asked that she might also attend, her details to be sent to the County Councillor.

Hedge at Fetterlocks bend. The Chairman is awaiting details about what needs to be done and she will then write to the owner.

6.9 Planning: The following outstanding planning applications were discussed.

Councillor Pound left the room for the following discussion returning after a decision had been made. M/22/00108/HP Hill House Shelsley Beauchamp, proposed garden room, internal modifications and new windows to the front. Council recommend support.

To report any MHDC planning decisions.

21/02338/AGR Rudge House Farm Camp Lane. Prior notification for proposed extension to Agricultural building. Supported.

6.10 The Queen's Platinum Jubilee:

The Working Group has met regularly and an outline given of options and possible costs as follows.

Tree planting. A quotation for 7 5 foot flowering trees including stakes, fencing and planting £700. A metal plaque supplied by The British Legion cost £154.99 Further quotations for trees will be sought.

Parish Map. A graphic map which would include 130 houses within the parish at a cost of £500 - £1000

Jubilee mug One to each household with an option to buy more, approximate cost £700-£1250

The Councillors in considering these costs agreed that it could contribute an amount up to £2800

6.11 Correspondence and Consultations: All relevant documents were circulated by email to the Councillors prior to the meeting.

6.12 Urgent Decisions: Planning Stanford Bridge M/22/00125 and Manor Barn M/22/00109. The Parish Council supported both applications.

6.13 Finance: The following payments were approved. Lengthsman £583.20. HMRC £145.40

6.14 CALC: To consider Councillor Training and to discuss anything relevant arising from the regularly circulated Update.

6.15 Councillors' Reports and items for future agenda. Wildflower verges.

6.16 To confirm future meeting dates: May 10th, July 12th, September 13th , November 8th 2022.

6.17 Next meeting: May 10th 2022 at 7pm at the Village Hall. The meeting concluded at 20.50

Jan Speyer March 9th 2022

Chairman

Date