

**THE SHELSLEYS PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> January at 7.00pm in the year 2016**

**Present:** Mr C Roberts, Mr W Sutherland (Vice Chairman), Mr T Taylor, Mr D Bates, Mrs C Warren and Mr D Styles.

**In Attendance:**

Dr K Pollock and the Clerk (Mrs J Speyer).

**5.1 Apologies:** District Councillor Mrs Palethorpe, Mr J Stinton and Mr M Whitefoot.

**5.2 Declaration of Interest:** None.

**5.3 Minutes:** The minutes of November 10th 2015 were signed as a true record.

**Public Question Time:** None.

**5.4 County Councillor's Report:**

Dr Pollock referred to his report received prior to the meeting and answered questions.

He wished the Councillors and clerk a Happy New Year.

The leader of WCC has resigned.

He outlined the review of the WCC budget and the subsequent proposed increase in Council Tax.

With regard to speeding at Shelsley Walsh, he reported that the MAC had agreed to place gates on the verges similar to the ones, found at village entrances. This is an attempt to slow down approaching vehicles. The Parish Council was unaware of this and had not been consulted.

The recent bad weather has revealed more potholes. These should be reported online. Particular note should be made of repaired potholes reopening.

Broadband. The roll out continues. The system is live in Shelsley Kings, an opt in is required to access this facility.

There is currently no access for residents of Shelsley Beauchamp but hopefully it will be live in 2017

**5.5 Highways, Footpaths and Lengthsman:**

There was no report and no Lengthsman's worksheets.

There have been two accidents on the B4203, one of which was a car fire.

Muddy Road conditions. The Clerk confirmed with WCC that they were responsible for clearing mud from the lanes. The build up of mud is from leaves, rain washing mud onto roads and wide heavy vehicles knocking mud into the lanes.

WCC suggest that any problem be reported to them online as warning signs may need to be erected and the police informed.

Speed limit on C2026 at Shelsley Walsh. In a reply to Dr Pollock from David Jew Senior Traffic Engineer, he stated that after inspection of this lane it did not meet any of the criteria required to impose a 40mph speed limit. D speed limit. The matter was, however referred to the Police with a request that they keep an eye on this stretch of road with a view to gain their view on the PC request for a speed limit. (also see 5.4 above)

Gulley cleaning. After the request for information on when the gullies were last cleaned, it appears that they were cleaned shortly after the request was made.

**5.6 Planning:**

15/01695/FUL New Bungalow Camp Lane. Councillors voted in favour of this new development.

MHDC decisions.

15/01363/CCD and 15/01366/CCO Southwood Farm, application for approval of details reserved by conditions. Approval.

15/011634/HOU and 15/01635/LBC Upper Southwood Cottage. Single story rear extension. Approval

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**5.7 Clerk's report on urgent decisions.**

Planning. 15/01616/CLE Holiday Chalet at Kingswood. Recommended refusal.  
15/01634/FUL and LBC. Southwood Cottage. Recommended approval.

**5.8 Correspondence and Consultations:**

All items were either emailed to councilors or were available to view at the meeting.

**5.9 Progress Reports:**

Website. The Teme Triangle website is working very well.  
Defibrillator. The VHMC has not supplied any further information.  
Grit bins. Cllr Taylor had inspected the bin in Shelsley Kings. The Clerk to request the Lengthsman to make sure they are all adequately filled.

**5.10 Flood Risk Management:** The details of this consultation were circulated prior to the meeting. It was agreed to highlight concerns about building on flood plains.

**5.11 Budget and Precept:**

The budget was accepted and based on the figures it was resolved to set the precept at £4500 for the year 2016 to 2017.

**5.12 Finance and Audit:** The following request for payment was agreed.

Lengthsman's invoice for November and December £384.00

Clerk's salary and expenses for Q3 £682.51

WCC payment received for the Lengthsman £320

Current bank balance £9164.68

The request from Nora Parsons Day Centre for further financial assistance was agreed for £200. The Teme Triangle will be asked to promote and advertise the centre for use by local residents.

It was resolved to participate in the NALC Sector Led Body Audit Procurement.

**5.13 Village Hall Management Committee:**

There was no report.

The Village Hall questionnaire from MHDC was given to Cllr Bates to complete and return.

**5.14 Broadband:** From information received via CALC it appears that some residents of Shelsley Kings can now place orders for superfast broadband from the Great Witley cabinet.

Shelsley Beauchamp is not offered this facility. It was noted on the information that the nearest cabinet is Upton on Severn which is clearly incorrect. Dr Pollock took note of this and the clerk will inform WCC.

**5.15 CALC:** Councillor Training. Training details are circulated together with all CALC correspondence as per the Update received weekly.

It was questioned whether the PC needed to belong to CALC. The clerk said she found it invaluable.

**5.17 Councillors' Reports and items for future agenda.**

The Queen's birthday celebrations in June. The VHMC will look into village participation for this event.

The Chairman expressed his condolences on behalf of the Parish Council for Councillor Stinton on his recent sad loss.

**5.18 Parish Council meeting dates for 2016:**

March 8<sup>th</sup>, May 10<sup>th</sup>, July 12<sup>th</sup>, September 13<sup>th</sup> and November 8<sup>th</sup>

**Date of the next meeting: March 8th 2016 at 7pm in the Village Hall.**

The meeting concluded at 8.15pm

Jan Speyer January 13<sup>th</sup> 2016

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