

**DRAFT**  
**MINUTES OF THE SHELSLEYS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> October at 7.00pm in the year 2022**

**Present:** Dr Laura Taylor (Chairman), Mrs Jean Hammond, Mrs Val Jones, Mr John Stinton, Mrs Louise Hutton, Mr Rob Pound and Mr Dave Bates. The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting which was postponed from September 14<sup>th</sup> owing to the death of Queen Elizabeth.

**In Attendance:** One member of the public and the Clerk.

**3.1 Apologies:** Mrs Karen Metcalfe and Mr David Styles. Both Councillor apologies were accepted. District Councillor Caroline Palethorpe and County Councillor David Chambers also sent their apologies.

**3.2 Declaration of Interest:** None.

**3.3 Minutes:** The Minutes of July 12<sup>th</sup> were accepted and agreed as a true record by those attending the meeting and were duly signed by the Chairman.

**Public Question Time:** The meeting was opened to discuss the topics raised by members of the public. There were no questions.

**3.4 MAC:** Helen Evans attended representing the MAC. Next year's calendar is being planned encompassing the 30 permitted days including 7 race weekends. There will be no Retro Rides or Supercar Fest. Speeding from on the lane from Ham to Stanford Bridges was discussed but the MAC has no jurisdiction on cars using this to enter or exit although drivers are reminded by many signs not to speed and to be considerate to residents. The large Piston meeting went well in the summer and it was generally agreed that there was a great improvement at events from previous years. There was one exceptional unavoidable late finish for which an apology was accepted. Breakfast Club is limited to 150 cars attending from pre-registered applicants.

**3.5 District and County Councillor Reports:** Emailed reports are available on the website and were circulated to members before the meeting. Of particular note was the CPR training.

**3.6 Defibrillator:** Following the meeting with Martin Bennett a local First Responder enquiries were made to a recommended company in Kidderminster for a reconditioned defibrillator but due to demand none were available. The cost of a new one complete with two kit packs and an external box fell within the £1500 budget. A guardian will be required to maintain the defibrillator, changing batteries and pads etc. The box will be installed at the Village Hall free of charge by a local electrician and will be insured on the Village Hall policy. Martin Bennett stressed that knowledge of CPR (Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation) is still the biggest saver of life and urged the Parish Council to set up local training sessions.

**3.7 Speeding:** The ongoing problem of speeding both through the village and along the valley continues. Neighbouring parishes will be contacted for advice and support and a request for an officer from West Mercia Police to attend a parish council meeting has been submitted.

**3.8 Broadband:** Progress has been made on two projects in the parish, two others have currently have insufficient numbers to proceed.

**3.9 Highways Footpaths and Lengthsman:**  
New Mill Bridge the trees growing in the supporting walls have been reported.  
The faded white lines on the B4203 reported to WCC.

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Stanford Bridge vegetation. WCC to be asked to clear the weeds.

Pudford Lane Green Grit Bin, a resident of Pudford Lane has agreed to cover the costs. Available from WCC 248 +VAT (which the PC can reclaim if purchased by it).

The proposed grit bin at the north end of Camp Lane will need to be assessed by WCC.

Lengthsman. A proposal to lift the requirement for the lengthsman to provide photographs was agreed by a majority of 6 to 1.

The lengthsman to be asked to assess the amount of salt left from last winter and the clerk to order more if required by October 14<sup>th</sup>.

The burnt litter bin has been removed from the lay by at the Stirt.

**3.10 Urgent decisions:**

M/22/00832/LB The Hop Barn, The Green Stanford Bridge.

M/22/01155/HP Kingswood House Kingswood.

In consultation with Councillors MHDC was informed by the clerk that the application was supported.

**3.11 Planning:** The following outstanding planning application was discussed.

MH/21/01393/LB Harborough Bank amendments to previously approved proposal. Councillors agreed to support the application.

MHDC Decisions.

21/02227/HP 18 Bungalows Shelsley Beauchamp draft approval.

22/00861/LB Stanford Bridge approval.

**3.12 Correspondence and Consultations** Harriett Baldwin MP. Funding for the Nora Parsons Day Centre. Members agreed to donate £250.00

A request from the Valuation Office to prove ownership has been received. A former chairman has agreed to help the clerk collate the details.

Civility and Respect. The information circulated by the clerk will be discussed at the next meeting.

All other relevant mail was circulated by email to members

**3.13 Finance:** All the following payments were approved.

Clerk's salary and expenses for Q2 £508.74

HMRC PAYE £274.00

Audit: Option to opt out, CALC recommend no action.

Clerk contract: next meeting.

Precept £2000.00 received.

**3.14 CALC:** Updates and training details will be forwarded to Councillors.

CALC area meeting will be attended if on Zoom.

It is understood Area Meetings are currently hybrid

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

Overhanging branches at New Mill Bridge and the blocked gully by Bank Cottage to be reported to the lengthsman.

**3.16 Date of the next meeting:** November 15<sup>th</sup> 2022 7pm at the Village Hall

**The meeting concluded at 20.30.** Jan Speyer October 5<sup>th</sup> 2022

Chairman .....

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