

**MYDDLE, BROUGHTON AND HARMER HILL PARISH COUNCIL
DRAFT MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN HARMER HILL
VILLAGE HALL ON NOVEMBER 3RD. 2021 AT 7.30pm.**

Public Session:

There were three members of the public present and the following requests were made:

- (a) To persuade Shropshire Council to take legal action to get the pavement installed from the Bridgewater Place entrance to Shotton Lane.
- (b) To install a dropped kerb on the pavement opposite Bridgewater Place.
- (c) To seek action to have the speed limit on Wem Road, Harmer Hill reduced to 30mph.

Responding to these requests Shropshire Councillor B. Williams reported that Shropshire Council had already started legal action to get the pavement installed and the Council Chairman stated that discussions had taken place with Shropshire Council's Safety Officer and the Police regarding a reduction of the speed limit. Discussions would be held with Shropshire Council regarding the possibility of installing a dropped kerb.

Further requests were made to:

- (a) Extend the 40mph speed limit on Shotton Lane and
- (b) Install additional street lighting up to Shotton Hall.

It was agreed to look at these requests in more detail and report back at the next meeting.

Present:

Mr. C. Ruck (Chairman)
Ms. J. Bienek
Mr. G. Harding
Ms. H. Morgan
Miss. K. Row
Mr. G. Miller
Mr. A. Harris

In Attendance:

Shropshire Councillor B. Williams.

The Parish Clerk.

One member of the public (for part of the meeting).

21/53 Apologies:

Apologies were received from Councillors Mr. I Anderson and Mrs. J. Jackson.

21/54 Disclosure of Personal or Prejudicial Interests:

No interests were declared.

21/55 Minutes from the meeting held on September 1st. 2021.

The minutes of the meeting were approved and were signed by the Chairman as a true record.

21/56 Matters Arising:

(a) Wem Road pavement (21/38(a)).

Shropshire Councillor B. Williams confirmed the report he had made earlier but stated that there was unlikely to be a quick solution to the problem.

(b) Allotments (21/42).

Councillor Miss K Row reported that she had been unable to make any progress but would continue with action over the next few weeks.

(c) Open Reach Cover (Wem Road) (21/32(b)).

Clerk reported that contact had been made with Open Reach and a repair had been carried out.

(d) Review of Speed Limits (21/43).

Please see report under Minute (21/64(a))

21/57 Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on September 1st. 2021.

The minutes of the meeting were approved and were signed by the Chairman as a true record.

21/58 Matters Arising:(a) Drainage Problems on Ellesmere Road, Harmer Hill:

There had been no further reports of flooding and it was hoped that the repair work carried out had been successful.

(b) Planning Issue.

It was noted that this had been resolved.

(c) Request for Outdoor Fitness Equipment for Adults:

Following this request a meeting had been held with Mr. Ray Parry and a suitable site had been identified on Myddle Playing Field but as yet no site had been identified in Harmer Hill.

Members had been forwarded details of the the range and price of various items of equipment and it appeared that installing a set of about eight pieces of equipment would cost in the region of £10,600 (+VAT).

Attempts were being made to see how well these sites were being used in other Parishes and to try and identify local demand and as such it was decided to postpone any further discussion until the January meeting.

21/59 Correspondence.

Members considered the details of the correspondence received by the Clerk since the last meeting and where appropriate, responses had been or were made.

21/60 (a) Accounts for Payment:

The payment of the following accounts was approved:

Mr. J. Wilson	Salary (October)	£282.61
Inland Revenue	PAYE (October)	£188.40
Mr. J. Wilson	Salary (November)	£282.61
Inland Revenue	PAYE (November)	£188.40
Mr. J. Wilson	Expenses (September/October)	£70.20
Mr. C. Ruck	Parish Paths equipment	£58.59
PKF Littlejohn	External Audit (2020 -20210	£240.00
Interactive Information	IT Support (1/8/2021-1/8/2022	£120.00
Mr. M. Busi	Community Environment Project	£270.00
Scottish Power	Electricity charges (30/06-30/09)	£133.81
RBL Poppy Appeal	Council wreath	£17.00

21/60 (b) Financial Statement

The Financial Statement was tabled and approved.

21/61 Mid-Year Financial Statement.

A detailed statement had been forwarded to Members for consideration and comment and after consideration it was adopted.

21/62 External Audit Report.

The external auditor's report which indicated no concerns over the financial and overall management of the Council was considered and adopted.

21/63 Planning Applications:**A. The following applications had been received and considered:**

1. Inglenook, 15, Myddle –to replace asbestos slates with natural slate; strengthen roof structure and erect an oak framed porch (21/03816/FUL). *No objections raised.*
2. The Old Rectory, Myddle – Extensive landscaping work to include outdoor swimming pool, plant room, etc. etc. (21/04220/LBC). *A 'No Comment' response was made.*
3. 21, Shotton Hall – replacement of lounge window with French doors (21/04426/FUL).
No objections raised.
4. Sleaf Airfield – erection of an extension to an aircraft hangar (21/04622/FUL).
A no comment response was made pointing out the concerns and complaints received from local residents about the increasing number of low flying aircraft using the airfield.
5. Portelet House, Wem Road, Myddle – erection of a garden room/studio for the use as a physiotherapy clinic (21.04562/FUL).
No objections raised.
6. Woodside, Yorton Heath – extensions and alterations to dwelling (21/04792/FUL).
No objections raised.
7. The Old School, Wem Road, Harmer Hill – single storey extension to detached garage to form garden room; conversion of garage to form gym, bathroom and kitchenette, removal of external staircase and installation of internal staircase from gym room. (21/04957/FUL).
No objections raised,
8. Burlton Lane Farm, Myddle – erection of an agricultural building (21/0500/FUL).
No objections raised.

B. The following applications had been approved by Shropshire Council:

1. Fernleigh, Godings Lane, Harmer Hill – erection of a detached garage & associated work (21/03603/FUL).
2. Red Castle, Ellesmere Road – Conversion and alteration of former public house to form three dwellings.
3. North of 5, Wood Terrace, Myddlewood - proposed holiday accommodation (21/092894/FUL)
4. 8, Harmer Hill – Variation of condition 2 attached to planning permission 21/0053/FUL (21/03938/VAR).

C. The following application had been refused:

Inglenook 15, Myddle – to replace asbestos slates with natural slate; strengthen roof structure and erect an oak framed porch (21/03816/FUL).

21/64 Community Led Plan.**(a)Traffic and Transport:**

It was reported that a Road Safety Meeting had been held with the Shropshire Council's Highways Safety Officer and the Chairman confirmed that the Officer was considering the issues raised and would be reporting back. The main items considered were:

1. Safety Measures for Myddle School.
2. Up-date on the introduction of the 40mph speed limit and additional signing on Ellesmere Road at the junction with Newton Road, Harmer Hill.

3. Review of Parish speed limits on Wem Road and a section of the Ellesmere Road at Myddle.
4. The VAS signal on Ellesmere Road.
5. Concerns raised by residents regarding speeding traffic on Baschurch Road, Myddle with suggested methods of control.

(b) Community Spirit:

The Chairman proposed that the Council should take positive action in regularly highlighting and publishing details of people who undertook special action to care for the community and its residents.

This was given unanimous support.

A letter from the Lord Lieutenant seeking nominations of two people to attend a Garden Party was considered and it was agreed that Councillors Mrs. H. Morgan and Mr. G. Miller should try to identify suitable people for consideration.

(c) Housing:

Local social/affordable housing:

The Chairman reported that Mr. Purslow, the previous Vice Chairman, had been very keen to see a small development of social housing constructed in the Parish, mainly for local residents and although he is no longer a Councillor he has agreed to Chair a small committee to oversee any future development. Unfortunately negotiations with the selected Housing Association have broken down and he is seeking to deal with an alternative Association.

The Chairman stated that as many of the Councillors were new and not involved with the original discussions he wished to ensure that they supported the plans and there was full support for an appropriate scale development being undertaken.

(d) Business and Farming:

No report tabled.

21/65 Police Report:

(a) The following incident was recorded in July:

Harmer Hill:

A528 – Violence.

(b) The following incidents were recorded in August:

A528 – Public Order – 1

B5476 – Violence/Sexual Offence – 2

The following incidents were recorded in September:

Violence and Sexual Offences – 7.

Myddle:

Hillside – 1.

Harmer Hill:

Cambridge Close – 1.

Wem Road (B4576) – 5.

21/66 Exchange of Additional Information:

(a) Agenda Items for the January meeting:

Tree report.

Proposed budget for 2022-2023

(b) Issues needing urgent attention:

i. Highways:

The Chairmen stated that he had identified a dangerous oak tree on Lower Road and this had been reported to Shropshire Council for action.

ii Street Lighting

No issues raised

iii. Other:

21/67 Meeting Dates 2022.

Members approved the dates proposed by the Clerk.

21/68 Budget Setting.

It was noted that the Clerk would be meeting with the Chairman and Vice Chairman to produce a draft budget for 2022 – 2023 and suggestions for additional items would be welcome.

21/69 Committee and Other reports.

Helicopter Noise Liaison Committee:

Councillor Mr. A. Harris reported that it had been an interesting and informative meeting held via Zoom and the Group Captain had outlined details of the complaints received about noise, pointing out that the vast majority were from people who had moved into the area and had not been advised of the helicopter training that took place over a wide area.

North Shropshire Area Committee:

Councillor Ms. J. Bienek stated that she had accessed this meeting via Zoom and that there had been an interesting report delivered by the Community Ambulance Service pointing out the problems being faced with increased demand and difficulties in delivering patients into hospitals which did not have sufficient beds available.

A second report was from Mr. Eddie West who gave an update on the Shropshire housing plans for the next fifteen years, which were now being considered by the Government Inspectorate.

20/70 Date and Time of Next Meeting:

Wednesday January 5th.2022 at 7.30pm in Myddle Village Hall.

Minutes approved as a true record:

Signed: _____ Chairman Date: _____ 2021:

Correspondence received since last meeting in September.

Cllr. G. Harding – Shotton Lane streetlights*

Dianne Dorrell – September Bulletin.*

Cllr. B. Williams – Crackdown on pot holes.*

Cllr. B. Williams – Planned repairs to Shotton Lane.*

Shropshire Council – Shotton Lane repairs.*

Brian Rapson - Health Watch Shropshire.*

Shropshire Council – Latest Coronavirus News.*

Cllr B. Williams – Former Red Castle Public House.*

Various Councillors – responses re. Red Castle.*

Cllr. A. Harris – residents request for hedge to be cut.
Shelly Davies – Night Flying at Shawbury.
Phil Lloyd – Road Safety Committee meeting.
Local E-Newsletter.
Resident – Footpath alongside Ellesmere Road.
Shropshire Council – Latest Coronavirus News.
Paul Johnson – Wem Methodist Church Services.
Christine Murrison – Senior Citizens Magazine.
Dianne Dorrell – Climate Change Event.
John Campion – New Chief Constable.
Dianne Dorrell – Carbon Literacy Training.
Wem Council – Invite to Civic Service.
Ray Parry – Details of fitness equipment prices.
Corrie Davies (Place Plan Officer) footpath alongside Ellesmere Road.
Resident – Concerns about speeding traffic and danger on Baschurch Road, Myddle.
Dianne Dorrell – Submission of the draft Shropshire Local Plan 2016 – 2038.
Dianne Dorrell- Review of Planning Committees.
Police Commissioner – Safer West Mercia Plan.
Shropshire Council – Latest Coronavirus News.
Dianne Dorrell – Applications open for HAF Half-Term activities.
Dianne Dorrell – Community Re-assurance.
Dianne Dorrell – Children’s Health.
PKF Littlejohn – External Audit report.
Amanda Roberts – Minutes of the North Shropshire Area Committee.
Dianne Dorrell – Climate Change.
Cllr. B. Williams – Speeding through Myddlewood.
Resident – Possible speed controls on Baschurch Road.
Dianne Dorrell – Winter energy crisis.
Shelly Davies – Helicopter Noise Liaison Committee.
Brian Rapson - Healthwatch – Community Experiences.
Dianne Dorrell – Shropshire Council Local mobile services.
Shropshire Council – Latest coronavirus news.
Cllr. B. Williams – proposed footpath.
Dianne Dorrell – Tree Scheme contacts.
Tim Lever – New Safer Neighbourhood Team Sergeant.
NALC – CEO’s Newsletter.
Dianne Dorrell – Newsletter (October 18th).
Cllr. B. Williams – Road signs to The Pines

Jamie Robinson – Halloween.
Cllr. B. Williams – Enforcement Report.
Police Commissioner – News Up-date.
Gail Power – Climate/Energy letters.
NALC- CEO’S Bulletin.
Dianne Dorrell – Examination of Shropshire Council’s Local Plan.
Dianne Dorrell News in Brief.

Shropshire Council – Latest coronavirus news.
Cllr Miss K. Row – dropped kerbs.
Gail Power – Winter Support Services.
Dianne Dorrell – Shropshire Garden Party.
Mark Holmes – Road Signs to The Pines