

St Martins Parish Council

Minutes of a Meeting of the St Martins Parish Council held on Thursday 11th April 2019 at 7.00 p.m. in St Martins Centre.

PRESENT: Cllrs A. Cast, M. Hayball, B. Herbert, J. Hodgson, J. Hoos, F. Kapasi, D. Laing, N. Mistry, G. Pennington, L. A. Roberts, J. Sands, S. Schofield, J. Stevens and H. Williams.

Also in attendance: Shropshire Cllr S. Davenport, PCSO Pete Roberts, two members of the public and the Parish Clerk.

In the Chair: Cllr G. Pennington.

069/04/19.C Apologies for Absence

An apology for absence had been received from Cllr G. Fryer (poorly).

Proposed, seconded and carried that this apology is accepted.

070/04/19.C Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

Resolved: to note that no Disclosable Pecuniary interests were received on any item included on the agenda in accordance with Sections 50-52, Local Government Act 2000 and The Local Authorities (Model Code of Conduct) (England) Act 2001 and no applications for dispensations.

071/04/19.C Minutes

Proposed: Cllr D. Laing **Seconded:** Cllr J. Hoos

Resolved: **with one abstention, that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 14th March 2019 having been previously circulated be confirmed as a correct record, signed by the Chairman and adopted.**

072/04/19.C Public Participation

Sophie Hughes enquired what plans if any the parish council had against the growing evidence for the serious threat posed by climate change and global warming which is one of the most urgent and pressing challenges we face today. Cllrs agreed that the parish council should include climate change as an agenda item in the future but the introduction of LED lighting was a start. Shropshire Cllr S. Davenport agreed to pass on to Sophie an email he had received from MP Greg Clarke on this subject. The local LJC would also be requested to include this on their next agenda.

Graham Drury expressed concern over the lack of road markings and inadequate road signage on either side of Escob bridge. Shropshire Cllr S. Davenport said the highways department were aware of this.

Resolved that with no other questions from members of the public present the Council moved on to the next item of business.

Action

Chairman

Parish Clerk

073/04/19.C Urgent Items

Cllr H. Williams proposed Effie Cadwallader for this year's Local Hero Award for St Martins and read out her reasons for this nomination. This was seconded by Cllr J. Hoos.

Cllr L. A. Roberts proposed Rachael King for this year's Local Hero Award for St Martins and read out her reasons for this nomination. This was seconded by Cllr S. Schofield.

Proposed: Cllr J. Stevens **Seconded:** Cllr S. Schofield

Resolved: that both the Effie Cadwallader and Rachael King be awarded the Local Hero Award.

The Chairman agreed to provide the frames while Cllr S. Schofield would print out the certificates.

There were no other urgent items that relate to financial, health and safety issues or issues that required immediate attention.

Chairman
& Cllr S.
Schofield

074/04/19.C Parish Clerk's Progress Report

The Parish Clerk went through the action sheet from the last meeting. All actions had been reported and would come under the relevant agenda items.

Repairs to the stability of the new bus shelter opposite the Community Centre had been reported to the manufactures.

As regards the new format of the Place Plan it was agreed that Cllrs F. Kapasi, N. Mistry, G. Pennington and J. Stevens form a sub group to ensure all activities covered by the parish council are included.

The Parish Clerk suggested the small area of the grass in front of the Memorial Garden which is cut on a very infrequent basis by Shropshire Council is included in the main grass cutting contract we have with Royce Landscapes.

Proposed: Cllr S. Schofield **Seconded:** Cllr H. Williams

Resolved: with one vote against that this area be included in the Royce Landscape contract.

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075/04/19.C Police Report

PCSO Pete Roberts went through the crime report for March. He added that there had been some anti-social behavior incidents in the village which were now under their radar. Cllrs reported that the Community Centre CCTV was now proving its worth following a number of incidents.

Cllrs reported parking issues at the end of School Lane and outside the post box again in Oak Drive.

Cllr D. Laing left the meeting at 7.35 pm returning at 7.55 pm.

076/04/19.C Financial Matters

076/04/19.C Accounts for payment;

BACS	E Davies	Salary & Expenses	£1042.58
BACS	Nigel Thomas	Play Area Inspections	£24.00
BACS	Huw Manford	Litter Picking etc.	£757.03
BACS	Highline Electrical	Street Lighting Repairs	£217.60
BACS	Shropshire Council	Street Lighting Energy	£1290.36
BACS	Shropshire Council	Cottage Lane Litter Bin Emptying	£154.43
BACS	SALC	Affiliation Fees	£1015.16
BACS	Focus Planning Ltd	Consultation	£1632.00
BACS	DPA	Planning Application Work	£1451.00
BACS	Stans Superstore	1st Qtr. Field Lease	£280.00

Proposed: Cllr D. Laing **Seconded:** Cllr N. Mistry

Resolved: **that the above payments be authorized.**

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Shropshire Cllr S. Davenport reported that he was dealing with an Education grant, ref Irvine Gardens, through officers at Shropshire Council and the School which was now in the hands of lawyers.

Cllrs were asked to consider a quotation of £975 for the planting up, hanging up and removing and storage at the end of the season for the hanging basket contract for this year from Neil Rheade.

Proposed: Cllr S. Schofield **Seconded:** Cllr H. Williams

Resolved: **that this quotation is accepted.**

A grant application had been received from the New Saints FC Foundation Ltd for financial assistance of £500 towards the provision of free weekly school holiday activities during 2019/20.

Proposed: Cllr S. Schofield **Seconded:** Cllr J. Hoos

Resolved: **that in accordance with the Financial Regulations of the Parish Council, a grant of £500 be authorized.**

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Cllr N. Mistry left the meeting at 8.12 pm.

077/04/19.C Planning

Action**Reference:** 19/00777/FUL (validated: 26/02/2019)**Address:** Foundation Piling Limited, Ifton Industrial Estate, St Martins, SY11 3DA**Proposal:** Erection of an extension to provide additional workshop and office space at ground and first.**Resolved:** to support this application subject to no access to site down Church Lane. Shropshire Cllr S. Davenport was also requested to consult highway officers over a weight restriction in Church Lane.

Parish Clerk

Reference: 19/01222/FUL (validated: 15/03/2019)**Address:** Proposed Development off Industrial Units At, Bank Top Industrial Estate, St Martins, Shropshire**Proposal:** Erection of 8No. Commercial units for B1, B2 and B8 use, with trade counters.**Resolved:** to support this application as the parish council welcomed more trade to this estate but again expressed concern over traffic priorities and road markings and signage at Esgob bridge.

Parish Clerk

Reference: 19/01268/FUL (validated: 19/03/2019)**Address:** Land To The Rear Of St Martins School, St Martins, Oswestry, Shropshire, SY10 7BD**Proposal:** Change of use of agricultural land to recreational and educational and alterations to access.**Resolved:** to support this application

Parish Clerk

Schedule of additional planning applications**To comment** on planning applications not listed above that are received after the date of publication of this agenda due to response time frames set by Shropshire Council.**Reference:** 19/01035/FUL (validated: 28/03/2019)**Address:** Car Park At Stans Superstore, Overton Road, St Martins, Oswestry, Shropshire, SY11 3AY**Proposal:** Siting of a mobile cabin to be used as a barber shop**Resolved:** to object to this application with 4 votes against, 2 votes for and 6 abstentions on the grounds that there were already three hairdressers in the village and this was an over development of the area.

Parish Clerk

To receive and comment as necessary on the planning decisions and recommendations of the planning authority listed in the schedule below.**Reference:** 18/00056/FUL (validated: 05/01/2018)**Address:** Proposed Caravan Site North Of Gledrid Farm, Chirk, Shropshire.

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Proposal: Change of use of agricultural land to 47 pitch touring caravan park, erection of reception and swimming pool (including toilets/changing facilities/showers) and conversion of redundant farm building to managers accommodation

Decision: Grant Permission.

078/04/19.C Community Sports Hub

Cllr J. Stevens reported that a planning application has been submitted to Shropshire Council. A meeting has been held with the school to look at a joint agreement but the parish would still have access to our land should the agreement with the school fail.

079/04/19.C Shropshire Council

Shropshire Cllr Steve Davenport reported that due to complaints over Overton Road closures the planned resurfacing and improved road markings by the school has been put back until later in the year when night road closures will be put in place.

Cllrs requested an update on Ifton School and proposed devolved services to parish councils on grass cutting.

Shropshire
Cllr Steve
Davenport

080/04/19.C Street Lighting

As regards the conversions to LED the Parish Clerk reported that Eon are now looking at resolving the part night lighting issue.

Street lights still out opposite the school and no's 2 & 3 Ellesmere Road.

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081/04/19.C Vehicle Activated Signs (VAS's)

Cllr S. Schofield reported that further meetings have been held with officers from Shropshire Council on possible site locations for these signs. The sub-group are still waiting for a company to come and demonstrate a variety of signs suitable.

Cllr S.
Schofield

082/04/19.C Shropshire Association of Parish/Town Councils (SALC)

Members noted correspondence received from the County Secretary. There were no issues to raise with the association or reports from any meetings of this association.

Shropshire Cllr S. Davenport left the meeting at 8.52 pm.

083/04/19.C War Memorial

Having checked the notification from the Historic England that the War Memorial has been awarded Listed Building Status, Cllr M. Hayball reported that any maintenance work will now have to have approval from Shropshire Council but further checks on this would be made through Historic England.

Cllr M.
Hayball &
Parish
Clerk

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084/04/19.C	<p>Memorial Garden</p> <p>Huw Manford has reported that the majority of the maintenance work he was instructed to carry out to the Memorial Garden has been completed.</p>	
085/04/19.C	<p>Correspondence</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Panning Application - noted • Request for a seat in Greenfields – subject to no expense or maintenance cost on the parish council, with two abstentions, this request was granted. • Wrekin Housing Trust - noted • SP Energy Networks – noted <p><i>At 9.00 pm Cllr J. Stevens proposed, Cllr A. Cast seconded and it was resolved to suspend Standing Orders.</i></p>	Parish Clerk
086/04/19.C	<p>Members Reports</p> <p>Cllr D. Laing reported the new light in Cottage Lane, opposite the entrance to Cottage Fields not working.</p> <p>Cllr J. Hoos reported a light blinking in Moors Lane.</p> <p>Cllr S. Schofield updated the meeting on the statue in the Memorial garden including granite slabs around the statue and the addition of some lighting. Agreed that the litter bin should be resited.</p> <p><i>Cllr J. Hodgson left the meeting at 9.05 pm.</i></p>	Parish Clerk Parish Clerk Parish Clerk
087/04/19.C	<p>Next Meeting(s)</p> <p>Members noted that the next meeting(s) of the parish council will be;</p> <p>Annual Parish Meeting 18th April 2019</p> <p>Annual Meeting of the Parish Council 9th May 2019 Full Council 9th May 2019</p> <p>Before closing the meeting the Chairman thanked everyone for their support during his year in office. He then declared the meeting closed at 21.06 p.m.</p> <p>Signed Date</p>	Chairman