

## SHREWTON PARISH COUNCIL

### **Minutes of a Meeting of the Shrewton Parish Council Held at the Methodist Hall on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2017 at 7.15 p.m.**

#### **Present: Councillors**

Richard Harris (Chairman), John Berry (Vice- Chairman), Roy Flint, Dave Hassett, Darren Henry, Ron Lock, Den Parrett, Anne Woodman

**In attendance:** Parish Clerk Nikki Spreadbury-Clews and four members of the public.

#### **Public Participation**

Cllr Darren Henry gave a presentation from Shrewton Youth Club in support of their grant application.

A member of the public advised that the Water company are due to repair the man hole covers in the High Street on 4<sup>th</sup> November.

A member of the public asked the parish Council if they would be taking part in the WW1 Tree Planting Commemoration Project, members agreed that they would endeavour to. The project is run by Wiltshire Council and is for groups/organisations to plant trees, it can be one or more, they will be free of charge and be planted in November 2018, however the land and number of trees needs to be confirmed by end of November 2017, therefore the Parish Council is seeking volunteers who wish to be involved and landowners who would be interested, please contact the parish clerk if you wish to help.

The same resident asked about The George Inn, Shrewton and what the Parish Council was doing. Cllr Henry advised he had called in the planning application to committee at Wiltshire Council, the date of the planning meeting has not been confirmed as Wiltshire Council are awaiting the Highways report. Cllr Harris advised that the property was due for auction on 2 November, however as the ACV (Asset of Community Value) interim moratorium is in place until 28<sup>th</sup> November 2017, the auction would be delayed.

**Community interest groups (the local parish council or an incorporated voluntary body with a local connection) have until 28<sup>th</sup> November 2017 to request to be treated as a potential bidder. Should Wiltshire Council receive such a request from a community interest group by 28<sup>th</sup> November, then a six month 'full moratorium' period will be triggered, meaning that no sale can take place before 17<sup>th</sup> April 2018. Requests to be treated as a potential bidder should be sent to [simon.day@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:simon.day@wiltshire.gov.uk). If no such request is received then the owner of the asset is free to dispose of the asset at the end of the six weeks and without any further moratoria until 17<sup>th</sup> April 2019**

The full moratorium of six months, if triggered, is intended to allow Community Interest Groups time to raise funding to put together a credible bid to buy the asset. The owner is under no obligation to accept any such bid but the pause is intended to allow community groups time to organise themselves and increase the chance of a successful offer being made.

#### **Meeting of Shrewton Parish Council**

**Meeting commenced at 7.36pm**

#### **17/116 Acceptance of apologies for absence**

Resolved: None required.

**17/117 Report from Unitary Authority Member.** Cllr Henry reported the legacy group for the A303 will be formed with input required, one suggestion is a permissive path from Shrewton to Stonehenge. Parish Councils are requested to send reports for the Area board meetings. There are

funds available for amending signage, with Parish Councils contributing 10%. Highways England will be attending the Area Board meeting on 30 November.

**17/118 Minutes.** The minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> October 2017 were approved as a true record and signed by the chairman.

**17/119 Dispensations and Declarations of interest.** Resolved: Cllr Henry declared an interest in agenda item 9. Grant application for Shrewton Youth Club.

**17/120 Update from October Meeting.** Nothing to report that is not already covered.

**17/121 To receive Councillors reports:**

- a) **Chairman.** Cllr Harris's report attached.
- b) **Flood Warden.** Cllr Parrett reported he had recently attended the flood wardens meeting. On the village clean-up day, it was noticed that residents are disposing of green waste in the rivers, this causes problems and blockages further along the rivers and residents are asked dispose of their waste in their green bins. The Environment Agency are meeting with Cllr Parrett where a couple of issues will be reviewed. Cllr Parrett asked that the clerk reinstates the flood reserves on a line in the accounts, Clerk will action. Drain on Rolleston Road needs clearing, Cllr Parrett will enquire as to costs of clearing. Cllr Parrett advised that he will be looking to step down from flood warden next June and possibly the Parish Council. It is not a requirement to be a Councillor to be flood warden, however Cllr Flint showed an interest and would like to work with Cllr Parrett over the next six months with a view to being the flood warden. Members thanked Cllr Parrett for all the work he had done both as flood warden before becoming a Parish Councillor and during, also all the work as a Parish Councillor.
- c) **Parish Steward (PS).** Cllr Parrett reported the PS had completed all works requested. The Royal British Legion have requested some pot holes are filled before the Remembrance March on 12<sup>th</sup> November. Cllr Parrett has contacted Wiltshire Council and they are going to try their best. 30mph sign coming into Shrewton from Chittern has been knocked down, Clerk to report, also the 50mph sign on the A360 south of the village. Street light and Give Way sign in Tanners lane have been repaired. Salt bin on Furlong way reported. Fly Tipping on Salisbury Road reported, to date not removed, Cllr Henry to follow up.
- d) **Military Liaison.** Cllr Henry's report attached.
- e) **Youth Club.** Cllr Henry's report attached.
- f) **Village Hall and Recreation ground.** Cllr Lock reported six villagers helped with the play park on clean-up day. The equipment was cleaned and the swings put back in place. The Trust still await quotations for the play park. Correspondence had been received from a member of public who had visited the park in the summer and again before the clean concerning the state of it, the Clerk will respond.
- g) **Stonehenge WHS Steering Committee.** Cllr Lock attended recent meeting. Shrewton borders the WHS, there are many actions they are following through. One of local interest is Byway 12 and to try to stop vehicles using it.

**17/122 Updates from working groups:**

- a) **Traffic Working group.** Cllr Harris's report attached. Cllr Harris would like to thank Mr Thead for all his work and help.
- b) **Communication group.** The new webmaster, Rich Kayzor, is now in situ and after a review and discussion with Cllr Berry a report of restructuring and refinancing has been produced (see attached), Cllr Berry proposed we accept this, Cllr Henry seconded, voting unanimous in favour. The Clerk had corresponded with the webmaster regarding change of admin details and invoicing, the cost to amend is £14.25 ex VAT, the members agreed the admin to be the webmaster and invoicing to be Shrewton Parish Council c/o the Clerk and for the webmaster to proceed.

**17/123 Planning decisions noted:**

**17/06804/FUL** Demolition of existing garage, erection of three-bedroom dwelling and garden shed. Greyholme, Chalk Hill, Shrewton SP3 4EU. Approved with conditions.

*Cllr Henry left the room as he had declared an interest in the next item.*

**17/124 Grant Application for Shrewton Youth Club for £900.**

Cllr Lock proposed awarding the grant, seconded by Cllr Parrett, voting unanimous in favour.

*Cllr Henry returned to the Room.*

**17/125 Accounts for payment**

**It was resolved that the following cheques be approved:**

Clerks Salary October 2017	£360.59
HMRC PAYE October 2017	£90.20
Clerks Expenses and reimbursement of costs	£57.30
F & R Keyzor (reimbursement of Shrewton.com domain name)	£34.80
Shrewton Methodist Church (Hall Hire July to Sept)	£45.00
Salisbury Plain Benefice (grant for church grass maintenance)	£475.00
Shrewton Youth Club (grant approval minute 17/103)	£900.00

**Receipts**

Interest	£ 1.93
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Cllr Woodman proposed the financial transactions for payment, seconded by Cllr Parrett, voting unanimous in favour.

**17/126 Approval and signing-off of Parish Accounts for October 2017.** The Clerk went through the accounts, Bank balances currently stand at current account £3843.69, savings account £52,208.51. Cllr Lock proposed acceptance, seconded Cllr Flint, voting unanimous in favour. The Chairman and the RFO signed the accounts.

**17/127 Disposal of The George Inn, Shrewton as an Asset of Community Value.** As per the note in public participation. The notice has been placed on the Parish Notice board and [www.shrewton.com](http://www.shrewton.com)

**17/128 Members discussed** 'Provision of posts at the junctions of (a) Upper Backway and footpath 3, and (b) the junction of Chapel Lane and footpath 3, for the mounting of litter bins.' Sarah Tipping has quoted around £25.00 for this sort of post. Cllr Harris requested members give authority for posts as and when required, to save delay, to a maximum of £30 per post. Cllr Hassett proposed, seconded by Cllr Henry, voting unanimous in favour.

**17/129 Budget and Precept Proposals 2018/2019.** The clerk had prepared a forecast of the Bank balance as at 31 March 2018 showing a forecast credit balance of £22,960, this excludes funds ringfenced for substantive traffic bid of £10,000 and total reserves of £17,000. The clerk will provide up to date figures 10 days before December meeting, members are requested to review the forecast budget, make decision on any further monies to be put aside for specific projects and review reserves. The budget and precept proposal to be early in the December agenda with a view to final decision being made.

**17/130 Correspondence:** Resolved: Noted

**17/131 Standing agenda items:**

**a) Highways and Byways.** Footpath 38 requires attention, clerk will inform Sarah Tipping. Cllr Flint has received requests from residents regarding the junction on Furlong Way and for a mirror. Wiltshire Councils policy is that mirrors are not erected on their land, as they have proved a hazard. Cllr Harris, as part of the Traffic group, agreed to meet with Cllr Flint at the site to review.

**b) Village maintenance.** Nothing to report.

**c) Shrewton Showcase.** Cllr Berry's report attached. Members thanked the Social club for the use of the club and thanked Cllr Berry for all his hard work in bringing the event together and making it a success.

**17/132 Meetings to consider attending: -**

- **Area board Dementia Action Alliance event** – Tuesday 14 November 12.30pm – Winterbourne Glebe Village Hall
- **Southern Area planning meeting** – Thursday 16 November. It is believed The George Inn will not be heard at this meeting.
- **Amesbury Area Board** – Thursday 30 November 7.00pm – Stoford.
- **Help Shape Wiltshire's plans to 2036** – Thursday 30 November 6.30pm – Salisbury City Hall. Cllr Harris attending.

**17/133 Date of next meeting.** Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2017 at 7.15pm at Methodist Hall.

The meeting closed at 9.38pm

Approved by the Council as a true record

Signed.....Chair                      Date.....

Attachments: Reports from Chair, Military Liaison, Youth Club, Traffic Working Group and Shrewton.com restructuring and refinancing.

Reports are on the Website [www.shrewton.com](http://www.shrewton.com) or available from the Clerk on request.