

SHREWTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Shrewton Parish Council Held at the Methodist Hall on Wednesday 3rd October 2018 at 7.15 p.m.

Present: Councillors

Richard Harris (Chairman), John Berry (Vice Chairman), Roy Flint, Darren Henry (Parish and Unitary Councillor), Ron Lock and Anne Woodman.

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

Public Participation

A Member of the public asked what Cllr Henry was doing regarding the traffic issues on London Road and why the meeting with residents had not taken place as promised.

Cllr Henry stated new 'no military' signs had been erected. He had emailed regarding a meeting. He is willing to meet with residents and would invite PC Wileman and PCSO Roylance to attend, Cllr Henry to arrange.

Cllr Berry added he had recently attended Neighbourhood Tasking Group meeting (see separate report) a new target patrol was established at end of August; 41 patrols have been carried out across the Amesbury area based on earlier issues. The Clerk added the Police had carried out a 'weight restricted limit' check at the end of August along London Road and stopped 4 vehicles.

Members of the Parish Council commented on the bulb planting that had taken place in London Road and generally how much the residents had done in the area to make it more attractive.

Meeting commenced at 7.41 pm

18/120 Acceptance of apologies for absence. Resolved: Cllrs Hassett and Parrett.

18/121 Report from Unitary Authority Member. Cllr Henry reported the Highways engineer had issued a report regarding the condition of the road surface of Amesbury Road and High Street and the sloping pavement in High Street, this had also been raised by the Clerk from the September meeting, this is the response the Clerk received from Wiltshire Council: -

'I note the issues you have raised and also attach a copy of the Highway Inspection Manual which states our agreed intervention levels, I can confirm now that I will be closing the 3 My Wiltshire Apps which you have raised as the issues you have reported do not meet the criteria for attention.

With regards the 'sloping pavement' in High Street, this was recently subject of a letter from a member of the public (and I assume) they may now have reported the same issue to you. I attach copy of my response to Head of Highways Assets for information of my recent inspection of the High Street and Shrewton generally.

The general condition of roads are inspected on a regular basis (as set out in the Inspection manual) and an annual Independent Technical Survey is undertaken by machine. These reports then form the basis of the Major Maintenance Program that determines where any Capital funding is then allocated each financial year.

Whilst we endeavour to inspect the majority of App reports, it is not feasible (or practical) to name a complete road and expect that all potential defects can be dealt with on a single app. The app should indicate a localised defect that warrants repairs in line with our agreed intervention criteria.'

This is the response to Head of Highways Assets referred to: -

'I undertook an inspection of High Street, Shrewton today following the recent letter from a member of the public; regarding to the condition of the footway and highway in the vicinity of their property.

Whilst I would say that the highway surface does not look visually pleasing with a number of service trenches in the carriageway, all areas are maintained within our agreed intervention levels as set out in the Highway Inspection manual.

There were no issues with the footway and drains as such, apart from some minor misalignment in levels that is within our approved tolerances.

Whilst I am aware that there is a general clamour from the Parish Council for the road to be resurfaced; there are other roads within the village that I would consider need resurfacing in preference to the High Street such as the A360 and the B3083.'

Cllr Henry further reported he had been asked about a 20mph speed limit in Tanners Lane, there is a procedure to follow, which has commenced with the Parish Council requesting a Metro Count, the next stage will be for Shrewton Traffic working group to assess the results and make recommendations to Parish Council.

The Wiltshire Council Boundary Review consultation continues until 5th November, as reported in September minutes.

18/122 Minutes. The minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 5th September 2018 were approved as a true record and signed by the chairman.

18/123 Dispensations and Declarations of interest. Resolved: None.

18/124 Update from September Meeting. Clerk has covered in Unitary Authority Member report. Clerk still to obtain costings for repair of railings in High Street. Cllr Harris advised byway 10 is now blocked for anything but walkers.

18/125 Councillors reports received:

- a) **Chairman.** Cllr Harris's report attached.
- b) **Flood Warden.** Cllr Parrett submitted following: - On the 10th of Sept the Environment Agency attempted once again to cut up the large tree that is across part of Till along lower back-way only to be thwarted by a huge wasp nest in the middle of the trunk which meant the job was abandoned once again. It is now scheduled for late October.
- c) **Parish Steward (PS).** Cllr Parrett submitted following: - The Parish Stewards work schedule has changed to the 2nd or 3rd week of month. For Oct it's the 16/17th. I will meet Alan at the Rec to discuss the work that requires doing.
- d) **Military Liaison.** Cllr Henry reported he continues to report to military information submitted to him. He has requested SPTA and/or Aspire to attend Parish Council meeting. It was suggested a separate meeting of SPTA, Aspire and Cllrs Henry, Harris and Woodman and members of the Traffic Working Group, Clerk to arrange.
- e) **Youth Club.** Cllr Henry reported Young Hearts, 7 – 11 years, trip to ten pin bowling. Youth club, 11-16 years, are to apply for grant and Terry will attend next meeting to update members. Vacancy for a Youth Leader, if interested contact terrykemp@facilitatingpeople.co.uk
- f) **Recreation ground.** Cllr Berry reported full planning will be required for the alterations to the village hall. Dog fouling is becoming a problem on the football pitch, dog owners are reminded of their responsibilities to clean up after their dogs.
- g) **Winter weather.** Nothing to report.
- h) **Neighbourhood Tasking group.** Cllr Berry's report attached

18/126 Update from Traffic working group: Cllr Harris's report attached.

18/127 Proposal for traffic management to London Road. Members discussed the proposal to provide white gates and other additional signage at London Road entrance to village as part of CATG project, it would also include installation of Welcome to Shrewton sign (to be purchased separately by Shrewton Parish Council) approximate cost of traffic management to Shrewton £3,500 (25% of overall cost of project, remainder to be borne by CATG). Cllr Woodman proposed to accept and proceed to CATG, seconded Cllr Berry, voting unanimous in favour.

18/128 Welcome to Shrewton Sign. To be purchased by Shrewton Parish Council and installed as part of the London Road improvements, cost quoted in July 2018 £998.20 + carriage £45.00 and VAT. Cllr Woodman proposed to proceed when London Road improvements confirmed, seconded Cllr Berry, voting unanimous in favour.

18/129 Investigate footpath London Road. Members discussed different ideas, Cllr Lock and Flint volunteered to commence a project to investigate the feasibility of different routes and report back to Parish Council.

18/130 Purchase of further SIDS. Awaiting further information, therefore postponed to next meeting.

18/131 Planning Applications Discussed:
(Please note: in planning matters the Parish Council acts as consultee of the Principal Authority, the Principal Authority being the deciding Body)

18/08165/FUL Change of use to form self-contained residential flat. The Flat Shrewton House Elston Lane Shrewton Wilts SP3 4HJ. Cllr Lock proposed supporting the application, seconded Cllr Woodman, voting unanimous in favour.

18/08225/FUL Erection of an oak framed garage and guest annexe replacing existing garage. Homanton Cottage Shrewton Wilts SP3 4ER. Cllr Woodman proposed supporting the application, seconded Cllr Lock, voting unanimous in favour.

18/08224/FUL Proposed front elevation extension to form new bedrooms and larger living space. New two storey extension to the side elevation to form new kitchen / utility & bedroom. New roof light & photovoltaic panels. Carry out with internal alterations. Homanton Cottage Homanton Shrewton Wilts. Cllr Flint proposed supporting the application, seconded Cllr Lock, voting unanimous in favour.

18/132 Planning appeal notification - George House, London Road, Shrewton, Salisbury. After discussion Cllr Flint proposed the Clerk makes a written comment to the Planning Inspectorate stating the Parish Council fully support the comments documented in Wiltshire Councils refusal and the Parish Council had not seen any evidence of the George being marketed, at a realistic price, as an A4 drinking establishment business or any evidence of the George being run as an A4 drinking establishment.

18/133 Planning Decisions noted:

18/05671/FUL Demolition of dilapidated sheds (B1/2) and change of use to residential with the erection of a terrace of three cottages and associated site works. The Yard Salisbury Road Shrewton SP3 4EQ. Approved with conditions.

18/134 Accounts for Payment.

It was resolved that the following cheques be approved Cllr Woodman proposed, seconded by Cllr Berry, voting unanimous in favour.

Clerks Salary Sept 2018	Cheque 001121	£462.64
Clerks reimbursement of costs	Cheque 001122	£54.57
<u>Receipts</u>		
Interest		£2.37
Precept		£15,390.00

18/135 Approval and signing-off of Parish Accounts for 30th September 2018. As previously circulated, along with year to date budget spend. The Clerk reported Lloyds Bank balances as at 30th September 2018 were: -

Treasurers account	£4,001.83
Business Bank Account	<u>£65,114.31</u>
	£69,116.14

Cllr Lock proposed acceptance of the accounts, seconded Cllr Flint, voting unanimous in favour. The Chairman and the RFO signed the accounts.

18/136 Wiltshire Association of Local Councils – Employment Support Consultation. Members to discuss and make decision on response to consultation question “Do you agree to the 4% increase to the WALC aspect of the subscription to add the HR support package as a benefit of membership (this is separate from any other increase)?” In 2018/19 Shrewton Parish Council paid £547.40 +VAT. Cllr Lock proposed responding to the consultation supporting the increase to provide HR support package, seconded Cllr Flint, voting unanimous in favour.

18/137 Grounds Maintenance. The current grounds maintenance contract was issued in March 2016. Members requested the Clerk commences the process to obtain tenders for the contract.

18/138 Cleaning of the War Memorial. The process for obtaining permission from the faculty has changed considerably since the Memorial was last cleaned and there was insufficient time remaining. It has been agreed that the weeds/grass and the path around the Memorial can be cleared and cleaned, this will be completed before Remembrance Sunday. The Clerk will have the Memorial assessed for cleaning and repair works and start the process with the faculty. Cllr Harris suggested an ongoing maintenance programme for future.

18/139 Correspondence received. Maddington Church Hall has thanked the Parish Council for the grant of £1,000.00. Cllr Harris had received an email requesting a ‘silent soldier’ for Remembrance, unfortunately this was received too late for the October agenda. Cllr Harris drafted a bus survey, which was approved by members and will go in Arrowhead and on www.shrewton.com

18/140 Standing agenda items:

a) Highways and Byways.

b) Village maintenance. The following were raised

1. Chipping on footpath Upper Backway.
2. Lower backway – the Yew hedge has not been cut back – Clerk to write to land owners again.
3. Upper Backway – tree across fencing – responsibility had not been established. Clerk to contact Wiltshire Council again.
4. The large leylandii hedging interfering with the emergency access from Highfield Rise to Nett Road. Clerk to write to landowners again.

18/141 Meetings to consider attending: -

- **Highways England A303 workshop** – 4 October – Cllr Berry attending.
- **Stonehenge WHS Committee meeting** – 18 October – Cllr Lock has sent his apologies.
- **A303 Amesbury to Berwick Down Local Community Forum.** – 25 October – Cllr Berry attending.
- **Wiltshire Plan Review** – Rural Parishes 18 October, Trowbridge or 22 October, Pewsey.
- **Wiltshire Council – Focusing on the Future** - Trowbridge 15 November 6.00pm-7.30pm, the following are 5.30pm – 7.00pm Chippenham 22 November, Devizes 26 November or Salisbury 29 November.

18/142 Date of next meeting.

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday 7th November 2018 at 7.15pm.

The meeting closed at 9.30pm.

Approved by the Council as a true record

Signed.....Chairman Date.....

Attachments: Reports from Chairman, Flood Warden, Traffic Working Group

Reports are on the Website www.shrewton.com or available from the Clerk on request.