

## Stottesdon & Sidbury Parish Council

**Parish Council meeting held on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2024 at 7.30pm in Chorley Village Hall.**

**Present:** Cllrs D Young (Chairman), Z Griffin (Vice Chairman), R Abbiss, M Pearce, C Adams, S Allen.

Clerk: Mrs F Morris

Shropshire Cllr S Harris

Parishioners: one

**0) Public participation:** Resident attended regarding the PC vacancy.

**1) Co-option of Parish Councillor:** Resident present was interested in the vacancy in the vacancy on the Parish Council and gave Cllrs a brief resume of her background. Clerk pointed out that there was also another person interested, who was unable to attend the meeting tonight. It was **RESOLVED to delay this until next month.**

**2) Apologies for absence:** Noted from Cllrs Kennett, Crawford, Sierakowski and Shropshire Cllr Butler.

**3) Declaration of Interests**

*The Localism Act 2011, Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012. Members are reminded that they are required to leave the room during the discussion and voting on matters in which they have a disclosable pecuniary interest, whether or not the interest is entered in the register of member's interests maintained by the Monitoring Officer.*

None.

**4) To confirm minutes of the meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> June:**

These had been circulated with the agenda and it was **RESOLVED that these be accepted as a true record.**

**5) Matters arising from minutes:**

a. Clerk's report:

Fix My Street:

New updates on The Baytree to turn to Overton.

We're pleased to advise you that this work has now been completed.

State changed to: Fixed.

Highley & Cleobury SNT have spent time today around the beat performing speed camera enforcement, I am pleased to report that we only had cause to speak with 1 driver about excess speed and in the 30 MPH areas we enforced the average speed of the 70+ vehicles checked was 27MPH.

Speeding along with alcohol and drugs are a significant contributor in most serious and fatal injuries sustained on Shropshire's roads.

Regards'

PC21624 Nolan

This included Chorley!

Fix My Street:

New updates on Potholes – Honeysuckle

We have now arranged for the required work to take place to resolve the issue you reported to us.

We will update you when the work has been completed.

State changed to: Action scheduled.

New updates on Road from Duddlewick through to Pickthorn Farm

Thank you for contacting us. This note is to confirm that we have received your report and we'll be in touch with an update as soon as possible.

Fix My Street:

New updates on Road collapsing \_ Sidbury

We're pleased to advise you that this work has now been completed.

State changed to: Fixed.

b. Chorley road signs:

Sad to report that after the complaints regarding vehicles/horses/speeding in Chorley the signs erected, with SC permission, by the British Horse Society, were damaged/removed the same evening.

c. Any others:

As the Clerk had received no confirmation from SC regarding ownership of the woods opposite Rays Farm, it was **RESOLVED to pay Land Registry the fee to obtain this information.**

## 6) Finance:

b) Accounts for payment/approval:

Clerks Salary and expenses - £xx (not yet updated)

HMRC - £295.17

Invoice #19192 from Information Solutions Ltd – Community Hub Hosting - £246.24

Clerk's expenses – April-June including working from home contribution - £283.40

Clerk had been in touch with SALC regarding PAYE, as it takes so long to get through to speak to HMRC, they suggested out-sourcing this work to Dinae Malley Payroll Services at a cost of £120 per year plus initial £30 setting up fee. **RESOLVED to pass this work on to Diane Malley.**

Any others received after issue if agenda – none.

c) Income since last meeting: £11.78 deposit account interest

d) To approve first quarter accounts (sent out separately). Clerk provided copies at the meeting too. **RESOLVED to accept accounts, as presented.**

It was also queried why there is so much reserves in the current account, suggest some of this could be moved to deposit account. Clerk will look into this, money in the current account is the precept money.

## 7) Planning applications/approvals/refusals:

a) Reference: 24/02252/FUL (validated: 10/06/2024)

Address: 4 High Street, Stottesdon, Kidderminster, Shropshire, DY14 8TZ

Proposal: Demolition of existing outhouse to create a parking space

Applicant: Mr David King (Mrs Addisons Place, 4 High Street, Stottesdon, Shropshire, DY14 8TZ)

Confirmation of comments sent to Shropshire Council.

This was once again discussed and Cllrs were still of the same opinion that if it was possible to fit a car into this entrance, then this would ease traffic flow, and supported the application.

b) Any others received after issue of the agenda – none received.

**8) SALC report:**

Cllr Abbiss reported the following:

- AGM 30<sup>TH</sup> October at The Shirehall with many speakers, including Nature Recovery conference. Cllrs urged to attend, if possible.
- Officer vacancy still be looked into.
- Constitution being revamped.
- Award Scheme mentioned.

**9) Shropshire Cllr's report:**

The report had been sent to all Cllrs via email (attached to minutes)

Cllr Harris reported that the HS2 money was for potholes money, but nothing conclusive received, as yet. Money has not disappeared!

Sewerage problems – a Task and Finish Group has been set up and will keep the PC informed.

Children in Care is levelling.

**10) Parish matters/problems:**

a) Raised by Cllrs:

- Load of what looks like builders' rubble dumped on bridleway – Toll Road, Farlow & Oretton Parish – appears from a message that this is OK.
- Large teasles on the verge at the junction from Moon House Bank to Hardwickforge need cutting back as these are hitting the sides of vehicles. Chairman will deal with this!
- Pothole as you turn into this junction needs repairing.
- Staff cars coming from The Old Vicarage Care home do not appear to realise that this is a junction onto the main road and just drive straight out. (Monday, 15<sup>th</sup> July at 8am), there could have been a 'head on' collision. Clerk will try to speak to the Home and will ask SC to repaint the white lines at the edge of the junction.
- Overhanging flowers/shrubs at The Manor House and round The Bull Ring need cutting back as people are having to walk in the road. Clerk will contact owners.
- Complaints regarding speeding in Station Road.
- Kennels Bank, Eardington, hedge needs cutting back as it is difficult to see oncoming vehicles.
- Overhanging shrubs opposite The Fighting Cocks causing visibility problems.
- Union Jack flag is fraying and needs replacing.

b) Brooksmeeing bridge repairs – Clerk tried to get further updates, but no reply.

c) Stottesdon road closure – The Square-Riddings Lane. Will be open for Burwarton Show, but as the Chorley Road has the diversion Clerk has suggested Show traffic is diverted via Walton Bank.

d) Any others – none.

**11) Correspondence:** including all emails forwarded to Cllrs: noted, as received unless comments made:

- Alterations to the Electoral Register
- SALC bulletins

- NALC Bulletins
- SALC/Web Orchard domain name .gov.uk
- PCC newsletter - June 2024
- 32 million suspicious emails reported by the public [#277391885]
- SH0160 - Stottesdon & Sidbury Parish Council – receipt for audit papers
- Bridgnorth and Shifnal Area Committee - Monday 24 June - Thank you
- SC - Please share: a new round of funding as part of Crowdfund Shropshire is now open
- SALC – Legal Topic Notes
- school site out of hours
- SALC Area Committee Meeting 24.6.24
- Speed Enforcement [#280354110] includes Chorley, Highley, Chelmarsh
- Restore Verges in Three Shropshire Parishes Project – Update
- News from West Mercia PCC - PCC calls on town and parish councils to help shape future of policing in West Mercia – survey
- Lezley's Leader Update
- Severn Valley Country Park Bulletin July 2024
- StreetScene - grass cutting briefing note
- Notice to Nominator of removal of Stottesdon School Playing Field from the ACV list
- Any others received after issue of agenda

**12) Review of all policies and procedures including Complaints Procedure. RESOLVED to accept.**

**13) Date of next meeting:** 19<sup>th</sup> August 2024

**There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.32pm.**

**Payments approved:**

Clerk's salary (not yet updated) - £xx

HMRC - £295.17

Web Orchard (website) - £246.24

Clerk's expenses – April-June (including working from home contribution) - £283.40

**Signed: Chairman**

**Date:**