

ASTLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of Astley Parish Council, held at Astley Village Hall, Astley, Shrewsbury on Wednesday, 18th March 2020 at 7.30pm.

PRESENT

Councillors K Lloyd(Chair), E Bedell, M Colclough, S Robinson

Also Present:

Gail Power (Locum Clerk), Corporal Sarah Hodson (Shawbury RAF) and one member of public

1. OPEN FORUM

In relation to Covid-19, the Chairman informed the meeting that she had received an email from a member of public who was concerned about the over 70's in the community. Members discussed how they could help to set up a support group within the community, to help the elderly and vulnerable, with shopping given as one example, Mutual Aid UK, details of which had been previously circulated by Cllr Bedell was also discussed.

RESOLVED: That a community support group would need to be kept entirely separate from the Parish Council.

2. APOLOGIES

Cllr Lezley Picton – emergency Shropshire Council meeting to attend

Cllr Katie Gallier – family isolating due to Covid-19

At the end of the meeting, due to the current unprecedented times (Covid-19 virus), reasons for absence were approved for Cllrs Lloyd, Bedell, Colclough, Robinson, Gallier and Wheeler for a period of one year, or until such time as the Government announce that it is safe to hold public meetings.

3. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

None received.

4. CONFIRM MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the minutes of meetings held on 19 February 2019 be approved and signed by the Chairman.

5. UPDATE

5.1 Cllr Picton, Shropshire Council

A letter from Cllr Picton had been received and circulated to Members.

RESOLVED: The letter be uploaded to the Council's website.

5.2 RAF Shawbury update

Corporal Hodson reported that due to Covid-19 their training had been cancelled and although they would like to do more to help the community it was uncertain what would happen in the immediate future. Corporal Hodson asked the Council to contact them if they felt that RAF Shawbury could assist them in any way during this uncertain time and they would help if they could. The litterpick would be postponed.

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overhanging the lane and during recent high winds there had been a lot of debris, from the overhanging trees, fall into the lane. On one occasion a large part of a tree fell into the lane.

RESOLVED: That the Parish Council's concern be raised to Shropshire Council.

6.7 Bus Shelter Light

RESOLVED: Cllr Bedell to pursue.

7. PROGRESS REPORT

7.1 Damaged drain on A53 by junction with Upper Astley was reported to Shropshire Council on 21 February 2020 (reporting using MyShropshire)

7.2 Road safety measure concerns - Email received from Mr Stephen Brown (Shropshire Council Highways) confirming that he is happy to meet with Councillors from the Parish Council to discuss their concerns, meeting to be arranged at Shirehall. Parish Council to forward convenient date(s) for the meeting to Mr Brown.

7.3 Litter Picking – equipment can be borrowed from Shropshire Council, email request to emcentral@shropshire.gov.uk, with details of date required, where litter picking will be taking place and how many people involved, 1 weeks' notice required. When agreed, equipment can be collected from Longden Road Highways Depot, 107 Longden Road, Shrewsbury SY3 9EL.

7.4 Upper Astley Notice Board – The sign has been ordered from Shelley Signs, awaiting further update.

8. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

8.1 Planning Reference: 20/00975/ View online at: [this link](#)
TCA Consultation Letter from Shropshire Council Tree Team – Proposed Tree Works: Fell 1no Wellingtonia & 4no Cherry within Astley Conservation Area , Location - Charnwood, Astley, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY4 4BP,
RESOLVED: No Comment.

8.2 **Planning decisions notified to the Parish Council:**
Reference: 19/04931/VAR (validated: 11/11/2019)
Address: Proposed Agricultural Workers Dwelling At Home Farm, Ebrey Wood, Astley, Shropshire
Proposal: Variation of condition 2 (approved plans) and removal of condition 12 (dwelling size) attached to planning permission 15/04691/FUL dated 01/08/2016
Decision: Grant Permission

9. PARISH ACCOUNTS

Payments:

9.1 Cheque 534 G Power (Locum Clerk's salary)	£258.60
9.2 Cheque 535 HMRC (tax re Locum Clerk's salary)	£63.40
9.3 Cheque 536 G Power (Locum Clerk's working from home allowance and travel expenses)	£35.10

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9.4 Russell Brooks (Defibrillator – Bings Heath)

£1450.00

10. **CORRESPONDENCE**

10.1 **Crane Quality Counselling**

A letter received from Crane Quality Counselling, previously circulated to Members, was discussed.

RESOLVED: NOT TO MAKE A DONATION AT THIS TIME.

11. **EXTRA INFORMATION**

11.1 Letter of thanks was sent to RAF Shawbury on 21 Feb for their kind donation of £50 towards the new defibrillator at Bings Heath.

11.2 Insurance Renewal invitation received from Came & Co. Insurers on 14th March, insurance renewal due 1st June 2020.

12. **REPORTS FROM MEETINGS & TRAINING**

There were none.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

Due to Covid-19 the meeting scheduled to be held on Wednesday 15 April 2020 7.30pm at Astley Village Hall will be cancelled. Date of next meeting not known at this stage.

The meeting closed at 8.30pm.

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