

**Wednesday 20 June 2018**  
**MINUTES**

**PRESENT** at Astley Parish Council meeting held at 7.30pm in ASTLEY VILLAGE HALL:-  
*Parish Councillors:*, Edward Bedell, Cllr Colclough, Kate Lloyd (Chair), and Cllr Robinson.

Also in attendance: Andrea Gabbitas (Clerk)

**1. OPEN FORUM**

There was one member of the public in attendance. The Parish Council welcomed Maria Prinold, who had expressed an interest in becoming a parish councillor.

**2. APOLOGIES**

Cllr Galliers, Cllr Shelley and Shropshire Councillor Picton

**3. DECLARATION OF INTEREST** *Declaration of any disclosable pecuniary interest in a matter to be discussed at the meeting, and which is not included in the Register of Interests. Declaration of any interest in a matter that may result in bias. An interest may be declared at any time during the meeting.*

**4. MINUTES**

The minutes of the meetings held on 16 May 2018 were approved and signed as a true record.

**5. RAF Shawbury UPDATE**

Acting Sgt Paul Humphreys is now the representative for the RAF base, having recently returned from an overseas placement. A list of RAF activity at the base was circulated. Families day is 3 August, and tickets may be available for parish councillors and local families. Acting Sgt Humphreys will attend the July meeting of the Council and provide a number of tickets. There was a discussion about possible visits to the base to look at the new building. The new vicar may also be interested in visiting Shawbury. A litter pick may be organised for late summer around the village areas, but not on the main roads.

**6. OFFICIAL AND PARISH MATTERS**

6.1 Defibrillator: Cllr Lloyd reported that the defibrillator and lockable cabinet have been ordered as agreed. There is also a need for a minimal electricity supply to provide a 5 amp electric supply to the box outside the village hall. Clerk to write to Maryon White and ask that she informs the Village Hall Committee of this development and request permission for an electrician to visit and install the wire. A survey of 150 village halls has revealed that the increased use of electricity is so small that it has made no discernible difference to the electricity bills.

**7. PROGRESS REPORT**

7.1 Parish Councillor Vacancy: Following the advertisement of the vacancy there was no call for an election and the parish council is therefore asked to co-opt a new member. Maria Prinold spoke at the meeting to express her interest in being co-opted. It was agreed that this be on the agenda for the July meeting of the parish council, with a view to making a formal co-option on that date.

**8. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

Planning applications notified to the Parish Council: none received.

8.1 18/02729/TCA Ten To Three, Astley, Proposal: Fell 1 Scots Pine, 1 Spruce & 1 Horse Chestnut within Astley Conservation Area – no objection.

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8.2 Planning decisions notified to the Parish Council: 18/00581/FUL: Dove House, Astley,  
Proposal: Erection of a three bay open fronted garage/workshop with storage over and  
office building with extended gravel hardstanding. Permission granted.

9. **PARISH ACCOUNTS** Meeting 1806 Date:208/64/18

The following cheques were approved for payment:

9.1 Cheque 451 A Gabbitas (Clerk's salary)	194.49
9.2 Cheque 452 A Gabbitas (Clerk's home working allowance April – June 2018))	54
9.3 Cheque 453 A Gabbitas (reimburse clerk printer ink)	29.99
9.4 Cheque 454 HMRC (tax re Clerk's salary)	48.80
9.5 Cheque 455 Npower (streetlight electricity supply)	33.30
9.6 Cheque 456 Shropshire Council (election services)	100
9.7 Cheque 457 Pawle and Co (defib cabinet)	402

The cheques were signed by Cllr Bedell and Cllr Lloyd.

**TOTAL** **862.58**

**10. CORRESPONDENCE**

10.1 Possible new bus shelter at Bings Heath – information from Councillor Picton circulated by email 24 May 2018 . Council funding seems very unlikely so it would be a question of trying to obtain grant funding and then working with Highways to get the planning permission. Cllr Bedell will update the villagers who raised this issue.

10.2 Request from PC David Walton for access to parish noticeboards, to place community policing notices. Two of the parish council noticeboards are locked and the Clerk had responded with a suggestion that the notices be dropped at a central point. No response has been received yet.

**11. EXTRA INFORMATION** – Cllr Bedell reported that there had been a very unpleasant distraction burglary at Bings Heath.

**12. REPORTS FROM MEETINGS & TRAINING** – none received.

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING:** Wednesday 18 July 2018, 7.30 pm at Astley Village Hall.

Meeting closed at 8.25 pm.

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