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## MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2023 AT 7.30PM, AT THE COCK INN FUNCTION ROOM, HANWOOD

**Present:** Cllr. Evans (Chairman), Bromage, Dowley, Evans Fox, Jones

**Absent:** Cllrs. Butler and Chadwick

**Public:** PC Rich Walters, Shrewsbury Rural West Officer

**In attendance:** R. Turner (Clerk)

### 54/2324 PRESENT & APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

### 55/2324 DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS & DISPENSATION REQUESTS

- a) *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.*  
None declared.
- b) *Dispensation requests*  
None received.
- c) *Gifts or hospitality*  
None declared.

### 56/2324 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

No members of the public were present.

### 57/2324 MINUTES

It was **RESOLVED** to confirm the minutes of the Council Meeting dated 27<sup>th</sup> September 2023 as being a true record and to authorise the chairman to sign them.

### 58/2324 REPORTS

- a) *Police Report and update to police charter priorities.*  
PC Walters reported. There is 1 PC and 2 PCSOs (one part time) on the Rural West Team. The team often get called into town and as far as Bishops Castle. PC Walters gave the following report:
- Figures for last quarter (Shrewsbury Rural North) – 1 ASB report Caradoc View. Have interacted with the community and are working closely with housing providers.
  - Rectory Gardens property - tenant has been evicted and property is being prepared for re-letting in the medium term.
  - Speeding – cameras do help and bring speed down. Often locals are offenders. Carrying out visits and intelligence work re repeat speed offenders. Average speed has slowed down. The parish council asked if he could pass on frontline policing view to PI Tozer. The definite slowing of speed was pleasing to see, and the camera is a more effective than VAS signs.
  - Burglaries – for rural and north for last month – 8. A lot are farm or outbuilding related. Don't have final figures on resolved burglaries. Burglars are a mixture of offenders from Shropshire/Telford/Shifnal/Wolverhampton.

- 46 other incidents in the last 3 months – 9 highways disruptions (can be breakdowns on the highway). The parish council asked for breakdown of incidents at Edgebold. Suspicious circumstances 7. Assaults 7 - often between similar people. Criminal damage 3, domestic 3, missing person 1, concern for safety 1. RTC 1. ASB in August, Shrewsbury rural north and district 16.
- County Lines is an issue in the area. Have a Shrewsbury based team. More active in the town. Often take advantage of vulnerable people and use their homes to conduct activity,

b) *Shropshire Council* – Cllr Ecans reported:

- Dog poo consultation.
- Review of verge cuts – cut when needed or after a complaint.
- Drains – delay in clearing, some exacerbating flooding.
- Finances – SC have identified £37.6 mil savings, £13.8 mil needed. £24 mil pressure for supply of SC services – demand management to be used. Another consultation on care delivery.
- Councillor groups are looking at capital/revenue
- Cruckton Road to be closed 3/4<sup>th</sup> Jan 9 -4pm
- Closures by STW- fined as used emergency procedures inappropriately.
- NWRR – goes to committee soon. Is anticipated the business plan may come out in December re the NWRR. The Government statement re meeting the cost has not been defined clearly – is this original cost or revised cost?
- Community Governance Committee to look at parish boundaries but has no parish representation. Pontesbury PC has asked for their boundaries to stay as they are including the school.
- Number of rat infestations throughout Shropshire made worse by rainfall – pest control unit was made redundant.
- Crowd Funding £150k available
- Polling station review – no change for Hanwood
- On demand bus – pilot for residents of Longden parish. Card only or passes.

c) *Youth club*

A committee meeting is scheduled for next Thursday and the club is active.

d) *Village Hall* - Cllr. Davies reported:

- The bonfire event is this Saturday, tickets still available.
- Lighting – Fred has spoken to Network Rail and it is on their radar – they have done a survey of the vegetation.

e) *Speed Camera WG*

Not met.

f) *Open spaces/memorial garden/public realm WG* – the clerk highlighted the following issues:

- Footpath Oaklands – being completed
- Ramp to memorial garden – in progress
- Time capsule possible D Day project
- Martyn’s law – may apply to some events on council open spaces.

g) *Newsletter*

Items for inclusion suggested as Place Plan projects, including spend to date, Parish Plan.

h) *Parish Councillor Reports (of external meetings attended)*

- Cllr. Evans asked to book a place on the SALC AGM.

59/2324 **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

a) *Q2 budget report and bank reconciliation*

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the report, as per Appendix 1, the reconciled balance being £107,553.47 as at 30.9.23.

b) *External audit report 2022/23*

The audit has concluded with no issues raised.

c) *Payments including payments made between meetings – it was **RESOLVED** to approve the following:*

Ref	Payee	Item	Type	Net	VAT	Gross
P52-2324	R Turner	Salary	SO	£973.80	£0.00	£973.80
P53-2324	Landright Services	Maintenance contract	SO	£312.50	£62.50	£375.00
P54-2324	CCC4 Business	Consultancy	SO	£148.50	£29.70	£178.20
P55-2324	SCPF	Pension	SO	£238.51	£0.00	£238.51
P56-2324	Landright Services	Maintenance contract	SO	£390.83	£78.17	£469.00
P57-2324	R Turner	Salary	SO	£973.80	£0.00	£973.80

d) *Income received*

Ref	Payee	Item	Amount
R6-2324	CCC4 Business	Refund	£178.20
R7-2324	R Turner	Expenses overpaid	£286.13
R8-2324	R Turner	Expenses overpaid	£31.55

60/2324 **PLANNING NOTIFICATIONS – FOR INFORMATION**

- 1) 23/03811/TPO - Highways Verge Outside 15 Beech Close, Hanwood, SY5 8RA  
Proposal: Reduce lateral branches by 2-4m of 1no Field Maple (T11) & remove branches contacting with roof and reduce ends away from gable of 1no Cherry (T12) protected by the Shrewsbury & Atcham Borough Council (Woodlands Avenue, Chestnut Close, Hanwood) Tree Preservation Order 2003 (Ref: SA/376)  
**Decision: Grant Permission**

61/2324 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS – FOR COMMENT**

None received at time of issuing agenda.

62/2324 **PARISH MATTERS**

a) *Highways matters*

Reply received from Dave Gradwell to numerous matters:

**“CIL funding traffic calming**

The Shropshire Council Highways Officer who leads on CIL funded schemes is Ffion Horton (Ffion.Horton@shropshire.gov.uk). I understand she has been involved with the scheme in Ruyton XI Towns. I would therefore suggest you contact Ffion regarding the improvements that Great Hanwood PC are wanting to progress, and whether CIL funding is an option.

**20mph outside school**

Regarding the 20mph request, please see the following link to Shropshire Council’s website which provides details on the 20mph speed restrictions outside schools project.

<https://www.shropshire.gov.uk/roads-and-highways/plans-policies-strategies-reports-and-schemes/20mph-speed-restrictions-outside-shropshire-schools>

St Thomas & St Annes’s CE Primary School in Hanwood is included on the list of schools that the team dealing with this project will be working with. Their email address is [schoolspeed.restrictionproject@shropshire.gov.uk](mailto:schoolspeed.restrictionproject@shropshire.gov.uk)

I would therefore advise you to contact this team regarding the 20mph speed restriction proposals for Hanwood and a possible site meeting.

**Action: Clerk to ask timescales**

**VAS Edgebold**

Regarding the cost for new VAS units, there are various companies out there that supply these, and it would depend on the type, size, etc., of the units, and whether they are going to be mains or solar powered. Costs can range from £2500 to £4500 for the units themselves and then you

have got installation costs on top. I have listed some companies below that I know other Parish Council's in Shropshire have used for the purchase of VAS units.

- TWM Traffic Control Systems - <https://twmtraffic.com>
- Morelock Signs Ltd - <https://www.morelock.co.uk>
- Swarco - <https://www.swarco.com/products/electronic-signs/vehicle-activated-safety-signs>

We are currently waiting for our contractor, Kier, to provide dates for when the proposed speed limit works at Edgebold will be programmed in. We will update you as soon as we know."

Action: Clerk to ask if SC will pay for install.

#### **Other highways matters**

- Road to Edgebold – water flooding  
Clerk to ask SC to look at it.
  - New Station Cottages – flooding down the track and road to rail crossing.  
Action: Clerk to report
  - Orchard Lane – still not resolved.  
Action: Clerk and Cllr. Evans to chase,
- b) *Caradoc play area*  
Action: Clerk to ask Rod about joins in the safety tiles.
- c) *Request to cut back footpath by Shropshire Farm Vets*  
Action: Clerk to ask Landright Services for a price
- d) *Lights at Hanwood Village Hall*  
See Village Hall report.
- e) *Tree pruning*  
Clerk has checked if there is TPO.  
Action: Instruct Will Baker to cut the trees.
- f) *Oaklands to Oaklands View footpath works*  
Completed.
- g) *Rectory Gardens flat boarded up*  
See police report.
- h) *Place Plan - to receive update and consider and agree any appropriate alterations.*  
Clerk had circulated draft list to councillors to check.  
Action: Councillors to email any errors to the clerk.
- i) *Local Government Boundary Commission recommendations and future "Governance Review of Parish Boundaries"*  
Cllr. Evans reported that Lower Edgebold parish warding was upheld by the Boundary Commission. Great Hanwood PC is of the view that 9 parish councillors are still needed, plus 1 at Lower Edgebold.  
  
Action: Clerk to write reiterating the council's view on expanding the parish and saying Great Hanwood PC willing to pay for a survey for CGR if needed.
- j) *D day 2024*  
Item deferred.
- k) *Other parish matters – reports*  
None.

63/2324 **CORRESPONDENCE –**

- a) *Emergency Planning training (SALC) & Martyn's Law training SLCC*  
Noted.
- b) *Smartwater*  
Action: Clerk to ask the rep to attend.
- c) *Smithfield Riverside Regeneration consultation*  
Noted.
- d) *SC Streetscene briefing*

64/2324 **NEXT MEETINGS**

- a) *Next meeting – Council Meeting 27<sup>th</sup> November 2023, The Cock Inn Function Room, Hanwood, 7.30pm*
- b) *Items for next meeting agenda- to note requests*  
D day 2024