

Culmington Parish Council

Minutes of the ordinary meeting on **Tuesday 6th September 2022 at 7.30pm at Culmington Village Hall.**

In Attendance: Councillors Mr I Steele (Chair), Mr A Pike (Vice Chair), Mr I Alderson, Mrs C Byng, Mrs M Holland, Ms J Mear, Mr J Turley. Cllr C Motley (Shropshire Council), Heather Coonick (Clerk/RFO) and 12 members of the public.

- 1.0 Receive Apologies for Absence:** Mr M Seabrook (accepted).
- 2.0 Declarations of Interest relating to this meeting:** None.
- 3.0** Mr Jack Nuttall of Asquith Developments, owner of the plot of land opposite the Village Hall, discussed with members of the public and Councillors what they would like to see the plot used for. There was some discussion on the affect that building on the site would have on flooding in the area. Mr Nuttall did agree to do some maintenance on the hedges and trees on the plot.
- 4.0 Public involvement session:** Members of the public had no further questions beyond item 3.0.
- 5.0** Minutes of the Meeting on Tuesday 5th July 2022 and the Extraordinary Meeting on the 23rd August 2022 were approved as correct.
- 6.0 Matters Arising:** None
- 7.0 Planning:** Update on Committee Meeting for Application 22/00106/OUT | Outline application for the erection of one dwelling to include means of access. Proposed Dwelling To The North Of Seifton Lane. Cllr Motley updated the meeting on the progress of this application. It was refused at committee and the applicant has the opportunity to appeal.
- 8.0 Community Governance and Boundary Review –** Consideration of Potential Changes to Parish Boundaries at Sparchford, Vernold's Common, The Pheasantry and Seifton. A joint letter from Culmington and Diddlebury Parish Councils to residents of Seifton Batch was discussed and amended to include that this boundary change would not affect ecclesiastical boundaries and the precept goes towards funding items such as Vehicle Activated Cameras and SmartWater. The Clerk will send out an updated copy to Councillors for comment.
- 9.0 Meeting with Mr John Bellis, Shropshire Council's Flood Risk Manager:** The Clerk had emailed Mr Bellis to request a meeting but had not had a response. Further contact will be made by the Clerk.
- 10.0 Reports from Members**
 - 10.1** Shropshire Council – Cllr Motley reported that Shropshire Council will find setting next year's budget very difficult due to inflation. The Shropshire Integrated care system bringing together hospitals, community and mental health trusts, GPs and other primary care services with local authorities and other care providers across the whole area is progressing.
 - 10.2** Village Hall – Cllr Mear reported that a planning application had been submitted for a single storey extension to create a new storeroom. The Clerk is in the process of applying to the Land Registry for a change of address for the Parish Council. The Village Hall is considering installing Wi-Fi. The Flower Show was a success, and a Promises Auction and Tractor Run are planned.
 - 10.3** Flood Action Group – Cllr Byng presented a report from the last committee meeting.
- 11.0 Finance:**
 - 11.1** The Finance Report, Bank Reconciliation and Budget were reviewed and accepted. As of the 26th August 2022 the bank account holds £11,382.46.
 - 11.2** Payments authorised to: D Lewis (Environmental Maintenance) £127.50, Clerk's Salary (July-Sept) £690.95 and Travel Expenses (April-July) £46.35. A Clayton

(Desilting) £720. The Village Hall Committee have agreed to pay the fee for the Planning Application from their funds.

11.3 It was decided that the Council would fund CILCA training for the Clerk for £165.

11.4 It was decided to opt into the next round of 5-year audit appointments for the External Auditors.

12.0 Correspondence

12.1 'Thank you's' for the donations have been received from Midland Air Ambulance, Westhope Clover Club, Hope House Children's Hospice, West Shropshire Talking Newspaper and the League of Friends of Ludlow Community Hospital.

12.2 The 3 main issues on the Local Policing Community Charter were considered. It was decided that the new issues would be a. Poaching b. Speed of vehicles c. Lorries parked at the Laundry Works.

12.3 The Council was copied into correspondence regarding the effect of traffic through the village once work begins on the farm buildings. This was noted by the Council.

12.4 A letter from Munslow Parish Council had been received updating attendees of the Joint Highways Meeting last Autumn. A highways report is in its final stages and will be discussed by Shropshire Council's Nick Newton which each of the Parish Council concerned. Noted.

13.0 It was agreed that a further set of records should be deposited at the Archives at Shrewsbury Records Office.

14.0 A section of Seifton Brook on Seifton Lane has been desilted by the Parish Council in August in an attempt to alleviate flooding. The Flood Action Group are arranging for vegetation to be removed from the brook on Seifton Lane.

15.0 Plans for a Vehicle Activated Sign for the Eastern Entrance to Culmington Village will be included in the draft budget considerations at the November meeting.

16.0 The Clerk has had no contact from either the Police or Environment agency regarding the Laundry Works

17.0 The transfer to a new website host had been completed with some pages still needing updating.

18.0 **Items for the Parish Council Meeting on Tuesday 4th October 2022:** a) Invite the Neighbourhood Policing Team. b) Community Governance and Boundary Review.

Signed by the Chair

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