

# Culmington Parish Council

Chairman: Cllr Ian Steele

## Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2021 at 7.00pm at Culmington Village Hall**

In Attendance: Councillors Mr I Steele (Chairman), Mr A Pike, Mr J Turley, Ms J Mear, Mr I Alderson, Mrs M Holland and Mr M Seabrook. Cllr Motley (Shropshire Council) and H Coonick (Parish Clerk/RFO)

### **Ash Die Back Disease – Presentation by Cllr Seabrook**

Ash Die Back Disease is a fungal disease causing leaf loss and is already affecting and killing many trees across Shropshire. It was first officially reported in the UK in 2012 and is now widespread. Shropshire Council are reviewing all trees they are responsible for, felling tree where they affect the highway network or risk causing injury. Landowners have a responsibility to ensure the trees on their property do not cause a risk to members of the public.

- 1.0 Apologies for Absence: Mrs C Byng
- 2.0 Declarations of Interest relating to this meeting: None
- 3.0 Public involvement session: None
- 4.0 The Minutes of the Meeting of Culmington Parish Council held on Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup> September 2021 were approved as a correct record and signed. Prop Cllr Holland 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Pike.
- 5.0 Matters Arising: None
- 6.0 Reports from Members
  - 6.1 Shropshire Council – Cllr Motley reported that the parliamentary boundaries are being reviewed but due to the large geographical area of Corvedale it is unlikely to be expanded. Shropshire Mobile Libraries will carry Shropshire Council staff who will be able to give information to the public. This is an experimental 3 month trial. Shropshire Local are already in Ludlow Library.
  - 6.2 Village Hall – Cllr Mear reported that the Luncheon Club is starting in October. The pig roast went well and there will be a curry evening and Christmas Social.
- 7.0 Finance:
  - 7.1 The Finance Report was reviewed. Payments to Wilkinson Associates (Ecologist) £192, D Lewis (Environmental Maintenance) £225.41 and the British Heart Foundation Donation £25 were made since the last meeting. The balance in the account as of 5<sup>th</sup> October 2021 is £10,030.02 but a bank reconciliation was not possible as the latest statement had not been received. The Council is in budget except for being £25 over budget for donations and £271.40 Speed Activated Sign but VAT of £471.40 will be reclaimed.
  - 7.2 Authorised Payment to: H Coonick (Clerk) salary £814.32 and D Lewis £157.50 (Environmental Maintenance). Prop Cllr Mear 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Seabrook.
  - 7.3 Agreed to remove the Clerk as signatory on the bank account. Prop Cllr Alderson 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Seabrook
  - 7.4 The Clerk reported that the Environment Agency are due to revisit the Laundry Works and will report on the outcome before the next meeting.
- 8.0 The Policing Contract was reviewed. Council did not have sufficient information to decide upon the outcome of the review and the Clerk was asked to invite PC Knight to the next meeting.
- 9.0 It was proposed that Cllrs Steele and Seabrook and a member of the parish attend the B4368 and B4365 Speed and Noise Joint Parish meeting.
- 10.0 Councillors discussed the 'Dogs (Fouling of Land) Act 1996' and will consider the costs of notices and bins at the next meeting.

- 11.0** The Queens Jubilee 2022 Green Canopy was considered but no potential land for planting was identified except possibly the churchyard. Cllr Pike will approach the PCC
- 12.0** Items for the Next Meeting: Water leak on B4368 near Castle Farm Barn, Parish Boundary Review

Signed:

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