

**THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF RUSHBURY PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 20th MAY 2024
AT 7:30PM AT THE COMMITTEE ROOM, RUSHBURY VILLAGE HALL**

19. WELCOME

Councillor A Richards welcomed everyone to the meeting of Council.

20. PRESENT

Cllrs A Richards – Chairman, C Stevenson, M Lowndes.
Clerk N Green,

21. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillor A Dixon.

22. DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY AND OTHER INTERESTS

None declared.

23. PUBLIC SESSION

No members of the public were present.

24. MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 18th MARCH 2024 and EXTRAORDINARY MEETING on 30th APRIL 2024.

Proposed by Cllr C Stevenson, seconded by Cllr M Lowndes that the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 18 March 2024 and 30 April 2024 be adopted and it was resolved that the Chairman sign these as a true record.

25. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT (Outgoing)

- A brief update on the recent (15.05.24) SSAC meeting was provided by Dr Stevenson. Alison Richardson from Shropshire Council attended and advised that a rural housing enabler had been appointed. The Vice Chair from Burford Council attended and complained that housing development in their area was closer to Tenbury Wells which is in Worcestershire and caused an imbalance on demand. There is going to be a survey concerning Leisure services in which there may be proposals that Parish Councils take responsibility for non-statutory services. Several complaints were received concerning non payment of CIL. The next meeting is on the 10.07.24.
- DR Stevenson requested that the password / sign on for SALC is obtained to access the good councillor guide.
- DR Stevenson felt he needed to apologise for the Parish Meeting because it was not well attended. This is possibly because it was not published in the Honeypot. It was agreed a date for the next Parish Meeting will be set asap, either the 14th or 28th April 2025.

26. COUNCILLOR VACANCY

Councillors noted that NO applications had been received to fill the two vacancies on the Council. Councillor A Richards commented that we need to push this area. An entry will be made in the next Honeypot edition.

27. PLANNING

No new planning applications required discussion. The recent decisions detailed in the minutes were noted.

28. SHROPSHIRE COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Councillor Motley did not attend and no report was forwarded.

29. UPDATE ON SPEED INDICATORS

Councillor Lowndes stated he had sent out a discussion paper on how best to run and manage the indicators. One will be located in Wall and one in Longville, Councillors will need to agree who is doing what. A risk assessment will be completed which will be read and signed by all operatives. There are two batteries in the indicators along with spares that will need to be on charge. A location for the charging and storage of spare batteries will need to be identified along with a schedule.

The issue of insurance was also discussed with regard to theft / damage and public liability. The Clerk will consider this with the PC insurance company.

Councillor Richards commented that we may need to trim back hedges, etc around the signs. The Clerk will consider this with Highways.

30. FINANCIALS

a. Invoices Paid

The Clerk stated he had paid four invoices since the previous meeting and presented copies of the invoices:-

- a. Jason Gough Computing Services Ltd for data backup (inv SI-123212) for £7.20
- b. Jason Gough Computing Services Ltd for data backup (inv SI-123213) for £7.20
- c. SALC affiliation fee's (inv2383) for £347.99
- d. SLB groundcare for Grounds Maintenance for £367.89.

b. Invoices for Payment:

The Clerk stated that an insurance Policy was due for renewal on the 01.06.24.

It was proposed by Councillor Stevenson and seconded by Councillor Lowndes that the payments already made were approved.

The Clerk stated he would establish what the insurance policy covered and would report back to the Chairman and Vice-Chairman.

31. CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence had been received.

32. PARISH MATTERS

- Councillor Richards commented that there had been some minor damage to the tennis court net that may have been caused by children.
- The Clerk stated that SLB Groundcare had mentioned there was some of the playground items were in poor condition. It was noted that whilst the PC pay for the insurance it is managed by the Millenium Green Trust. Councillor Richards stated that he would try and get in touch with Harry Walters from the MGT.
- Councillor Stevenson stated that the Shropshire archives have taken possession of historical PC documents and will return any they do not wish to retain. These will then be handed to the district records group. He clarified the documents have been receipted and we can access them if we wished to do so.
- Councillor Richards stated that he will try and recover the Apedale sign in possession of Chris McClean so it can be reinstated.

33. ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING AGENDA

An update regarding the speed indicators and financial regulations should be included on the next agenda.

34. NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting date is scheduled for the 17th June 2024.

Councillor Richards took the opportunity to thank Councillor Stevenson for his work as Chairman over a number of years.

Councillor Richards thanked everyone for attending and declared the meeting closed at 8:48pm.

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Chairman

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Date