

## ADDERLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Adderley Parish Council meeting on 28<sup>th</sup> February 2024  
held at Adderley Village Hall and starting at 7.30 pm.

**Present:** Councillors P Nash, A Swindale, N Evans, and P Shepley, also J Evans (Clerk)

**Apologises:** Councillors M Coulon, I Wilson, L Dowley, and Unitary Councillor P Wynn

1. **Welcome / Present / Apologises** – Councillors present as listed above with Cllr Nash chairing the meeting in the absence of Cllr Coulon.
2. **Declarations of Interest** – None
3. **Public Session** – There was one member of the public present who had wished to ask Cllr Wynn about the status of the Recycling Centre at Whitchurch and if there was going to be a charge imposed for green waste. As Cllr Wynn was not present the Clerk will email him about these issues. There was also a discussion about the withdrawal of copper wired land lines in the future.
4. **Approval of the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> January 2024** - Prior to the meeting the Councillors had received copies of these minutes and it was resolved by the Council that they were a true and accurate records of proceedings.
5. **Clerk's update regarding on-going matters:**  
The following updates were advised to the Council:
  - a. Benbow Bros have started the tree work, felling a tree at the end of Corbett Drive, but their invoice has not yet been received.
  - b. Paul Savill, WSP, had confirmed that a red painted area and village gateways had been added to the specification of future highways work to the A529 at Adderley.
  - c. The Clerk advised that she was continuing to try to find a solution to the dog poo bin emptying situation.
  - d. The Clerk confirmed that Adderley Heritage Group had repaid the Parish Council for the planning application in respect of the Interpretation Boards.
6. **Report from Unitary Councillor** – Cllr Wynn was unable to attend the meeting unfortunately.
7. **Report from Committees by Adderley Parish Council Representatives:** No-one had attended any meetings since the last Parish Council meeting.
8. **Planning** – The following Planning Applications were considered and **comments agreed:**  
**24/00353/FUL** - Construction of an agricultural building for the housing of calves - Adderley Lodge Farm, Adderley Road, Adderley, Market Drayton, Shropshire, TF9 3ST – **No Comment**  
**Determination of Planning**  
**23/04196/ADV** - Display of Interpretation Board - Shropshire Union Canal Towpath, Adderley Top Lock, Shropshire - **Permission Granted**  
**23/05344/ADV** - Display of Interpretation Board - HRE Bridge MKT/499, Station Road, Adderley, Shropshire – **Permission Granted**
9. **Accounts**
  - a. **Expenditure** – For the Council to accept and approve the below detailed expenditure

Payee	Details		Net Amount	Vat Amount	Authority
Info Commissioner Office	Data Protection Annual Registration	D/D	£35.00		LGA 1972 s 111
Jane Evans	Clerk's wages - February 2024	S/O	£390.15		LGA 1972 s 112 (2)

	Total		£425.15	
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It was resolved by the Council that these expenses be paid.

**b. Bank Reconciliation** – For the Council to receive and accept the Bank Reconciliation:

Balance brought forward	£ 8,760.98
Income to date	£ 17,389.55
Expenditure to date	£ 14,486.52
<b>Balance to be carried forward</b>	<b>£ 11,664.01</b>

Bank Balances as at 31<sup>st</sup> January 2024:

Current Account	£ 1,046.25
Funds held in Interest Bearing Account	£ 10,617.76
Adjustment – Payments awaiting authorisation	£ 0.00
<b>Total of Reconciled Bank Balances</b>	<b>£ 11,664.01</b>

**c. Annual Review of Standing Orders and Direct Debits** – The Clerk advised the Council that they currently had two Direct Debits to N Power and ICO and one standing order which related to the Clerk's wages. The Council resolved that this information was correct and two Cllrs signed the Unity Bank Statements showing these Direct Debits and the Standing Order.

10. **Highways & Environmental Health** – The Council discussed the sign on the approach to South Lodge on the A529 which is not working again. It was reasoned that if there was not enough light for this solar sign to function properly then perhaps a static sign would be better, the Clerk will ask Shropshire Highways about this.
11. **Street Lighting** – No issues were reported.
12. **Playground Report** – Cllr Shepley reported that one of the fence panels had blown down and wondered if anyone present knew who was responsible for this fence, whether it was the Village Hall or the resident? As no one knew the Clerk will email the Village Hall Committee chairman about this.
13. **Three Parishes Neighbourhood Plan** – The Clerk advised that as far as she knew the plan is still being reviewed by the Inspector.
14. **Neighbourhood Watch** – Cllr Evans continues to circulate any issues to the Council, Neighbourhood Watch members and the WhatsApp group and he asked the Council if they thought it may be worth having a Community Police Roadshow in Adderley, all agreed, and Cllr Evans will email them.
15. **Adderley Heritage Project** – Cllr Nash advised the meeting that old railway bridges are now the responsibility of Highways England and they had paid for the Heritage Trail sign for the bridge in Station Road and its installation. Highways England just need an agreement with the Parish Council regarding the on-going maintenance of the sign, when the Heritage Group disbands. Prior to the meeting the Clerk had circulated this, the wording was unanimously agreed by the Council, and Cllr Nash and Cllr Coulon will sign this on behalf of the Parish Council. The Heritage Group has drawn up a licence agreement regarding the on-going maintenance of all the other boards and signs which the Parish Council has agreed to take on once the Heritage Group disbands. Prior to the meeting the Clerk had circulated this second agreement and the Council unanimously agreed to this.
16. **Annual Parish Meeting** – The date for this meeting was provisionally arranged for Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> April and the Clerk will check the Village Hall is available. It was agreed that the previous format be used again and the Clerk will ask Freedom Fibre if they would like to attend and update everyone on their progress and to also invite the Village Planter Group.

17. **Town and Parish Boundary Review** – Prior to the meeting the Clerk had forwarded information from Shropshire Council regarding this matter and this was discussed.
18. **BBC Radio Shropshire Make a Difference Awards 2024** – After a short discussion the Council agreed to nominate the Village Planter Group for the Community Award, the Clerk will take this forward.
19. **Correspondence** – General topic notes and information bulletins from ALC/SALC/NALC/ Shropshire Council are circulated by email to Councillors and since publishing the agenda an email had been received relating to a survey on Market Drayton Town Centre, this matter was discussed and Cllr Shepley volunteered to complete the full survey for the Council, all agreed.
20. **Parish Matters** – Cllr Swindale advised the meeting that he understood that the A529 approach to Audlem, in Cheshire, was due to be closed 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> March 2024.
21. **Agenda Items** – There is a flag being produced celebrating 80 years since D-Day and it was agreed to discuss if the Parish Council would like to purchase one when they next meet on **Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2024**.

There being no other business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.25 pm

Approval of the Minutes held on 28<sup>th</sup> February 2024

Minutes accepted and approved by Adderley Parish Council at a meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> March 2024

Signed by the Chairman .....

