

ADDERLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Adderley Parish Council meeting on 27th March 2024
held at Adderley Village Hall and starting at 7.30 pm.

Present: Councillors M Coulon, P Nash, A Swindale and I Wilson, also J Evans (Clerk)

Apologises: Councillors N Evans, P Shepley, L Dowley, and Unitary Councillor P Wynn

1. **Welcome / Present / Apologises** – Councillors present as listed above.
2. **Declarations of Interest** – None
3. **Public Session** – There were no members of the public present.
4. **Approval of the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 28th February 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. The Clerk has tried to contact the person at I D Verde that manages the Shropshire Council contact for bin emptying in Adderley, in the hope of 'piggy-backing' the emptying of the two canal dog poo bins while they are in the area, she will continue to take this forward.
 - b. The 'bend ahead' electronic sign by South Lodge is now working.
 - c. The fence that has blown down between the playground and the residential gardens is believed to be the responsibility of the homeowner so no further action at this stage.
 - d. The Clerk did not put the 80 D Day flag on the agenda as Cllr Coulon advised that he has a flag commemorating the event.
6. **Report from Unitary Councillor** – Cllr Wynn was unable to attend the meeting unfortunately but had sent the Clerk an email saying '*you most probably have heard about two of the recycling centres might have to close but myself and a colleague have been talking to people on the cabinet about not closing any of them and making them open five days a week to spread the savings across the County and it has been received in a positive way, so hopefully that will happen instead of closing any of them. We are also starting to charge for green waste and will be 50 pence a week. Altogether the Council will have to find sixty-two million in the next financial year.*'
7. **Report from Committees by Adderley Parish Council Representatives:** Cllr Swindale attended a Freedom Fibre Meeting and reported the main points being: this is a 40-month £5 billion project aiming to install full fibre; the survey and design stage (stage 1) completed and Stage 2 Building the network will be during 2024 to 2026; the backbone Shrewsbury & Ellesmere started with 3 green cabinets installed and further 16 to do; some new infrastructure will be required e.g. telegraph poles and there will be consultations/engagements for this; copper telephone lines off by 2025 and copper networks off by 2027; Residents will be notified at stage 3 when they are ready to connect customers by lightning fast full fibre; Freedom Funds grants to councils for projects such as wildflower planting, bird boxes etc, the fund of £25K and with maximum grants of £500. Cllr Nash also attended a Chairman's Meeting and reported briefly on this.
8. **Planning** – The following Planning Applications were considered and **comments agreed:**
None

Determination of Planning

None, as per agenda, although the Clerk advised the Council that yesterday the planning application relating to the construction of an agricultural building for housing calves at Adderley Lodge Farm had been granted.

9. Accounts

a. **Expenditure** – For the Council to accept and approve the below detailed expenditure

Payee	Details		Net Amount	Vat Amount	Authority
Shropshire Council	Annual fee for emptying bin		£143.69	£28.74	LA 1983 s 5
Benbow Bros	Tree work		£1,350.00	£270.00	HA 1980 s 96
David Jones	Electrical repairs to Defib cabinet				Localism Act 2011 ss 1-5
JE re McAfee	Subscription renewal		£99.00		LGA 1972 s 142
Jane Evans	Clerk's Expenses		£172.21	£6.50	LG(FP)A 1963 s 5
Jane Evans	Clerk's wages - March 2024	S/O	£390.15		LGA 1972 s 112 (2)
Jane Evans	Clerk's wages - April 2024	S/O	£390.15		LGA 1972 s 112 (2)
	Total		2545.20	305.24	

It was resolved by the Council that these expenses be paid. The Clerk explained that the electrician had been unable to finish the work on the Defib cabinet as a part had not yet arrived but the Council agreed that if the invoice for this work was received before the Year End, they would agree payment by email to ensure it was in this financial year.

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	£ 14,876.67
Balance to be carried forward	£ 11,273.86

Bank Balances as at 31st January 2024:

Current Account	£ 656.10
Funds held in Interest Bearing Account	£ 10,617.76
Adjustment – Payments awaiting authorisation	£ 0.00
Total of Reconciled Bank Balances	£ 11,273.86

10. **Highways & Environmental Health** – No further highways issues were raised.

11. **Street Lighting** – No issues were reported.

12. **Playground Report** – Apart from the fence, mentioned earlier, all looked fine at the playground.

13. **Three Parishes Neighbourhood Plan** – Cllr Nash advised that Shropshire Council had now sent the final Examiner's Report on the Neighbourhood Plan, which the Clerk will circulate. The report highlights the fact that the Strategic Environmental Assessment Screening Statement and Habitats Regulation Assessment Screening Statement, provided by Shropshire Council, were not up-to-date and so the relevant Shropshire Council departments have got to review, update, and then send these on to the Examiner. There is nothing further for the Steering Group to do. Shropshire Council are hopeful of getting the Neighbourhood Plan to Cabinet in June, as there is not Cabinet meeting in May, and will advise about referendum dates after that.

14. **Neighbourhood Watch** – Cllr Evans continues to circulate any issues to the Council, Neighbourhood Watch members and the WhatsApp group.

15. **Adderley Heritage Project** – Cllr Nash advised the meeting that the Heritage Trail Information Boards were due to be installed on 23rd & 24th April and then the Launch Event will be on Saturday 27th April. Cllr Nash had some half size posters of what will be on the Heritage Trail information boards look like and everyone agreed that they looked great.

- 16. Annual Parish Meeting** – This event will take place on 10th April 2024 starting at 7.00 pm. So far, the agenda will include the Parish Council Chairman’s Report, Unitary Councillors Report, Three Parish Neighbourhood Plan update, Adderley Heritage Trail Report, and Adderley Church update. Adderley Village Hall, Adderley School, The Village Planter Group and Paul Savil of WSP (to give update on A529) have been invited but not yet confirmed attendance. A notice of this event will be put on the village website, Cllr Coulon will email his contacts and the Clerk will get the refreshments.
- 17. Consultation for proposal for new swimming, fitness, and leisure facilities for the Shrewsbury Sports Village** – The Council did not wish to comment on this consultation
- 18. Shropshire Council Gambling Act 2005 Policy Statement 2025 – 2028 Consultation** - The Council did not wish to comment on this consultation
- 19. Correspondence** – General topic notes and information bulletins from ALC/SALC/NALC/ Shropshire Council are circulated by email to Councillors. The Clerk advised that since publishing the agenda for this meeting she had received email notification of Shropshire Council’s Consultation on a Boundary review which will directly affect Adderley. It was agreed that as this matter cannot be discussed this evening, as it was not on the agenda, an Extraordinary Meeting will be arranged for 6.30 pm on 10th April, prior to the Parish Meeting, to formulate a comment from the Parish Council to this consultation.
- 20. Parish Matters** – No matters were raised.
- 21. Agenda Items** – No further agenda items were raised for the next meeting on **Wednesday 8th May 2024.**

There being no other business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.05 pm

Approval of the Minutes held on 27th March 2024

Minutes accepted and approved by Adderley Parish Council at a meeting held on 8th May 2024

Signed by the Chairman

