

ADDERLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Adderley Parish Council meeting on 31st July 2024
held at Adderley Village Hall and starting at 7.30 pm.

Present: Councillors P Shepley, P Nash, I Wilson, L Dowley, and N Evans, also J Evans (Clerk)

Apologises: Councillors M Coulon and A Swindale and Unitary Councillor P Wynn

1. **Welcome / Present / Apologises** – Councillors present as listed above with Cllr Shepley chairing the meeting in the absence of Cllr Coulon.
2. **Declarations of Interest** – Cllr Nash declared an interest in item 9a.
3. **Public Session** – There was one member of the public present and PCSO Andy King. The member of the public explained how they had recently been involved in an attempted burglary at their home, detailing the incident which involved three masked men. PCSO King had responded to this call and added further detail and then went on to advise that, in line with the Parish Councils priorities on the Local Policing Charter of rural theft and speeding issues, they had undertaken several patrols of the area over the last three months. He also advised that there have recently been motorbike thefts across the county and urged residents to be vigilant.
4. **Approval of the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting on 19th June 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. Cllr Wilson and the Clerk advised the Council that the resident who had enquired about a commemorative bench on the canal towpath had now got the Canal and River Trust contact details and would be dealing with this directly. It appears that the C & R T undertake the purchase, siting, and installation of any benches on the tow path so the Parish Council do not need to be involved with this.
 - b. The Clerk and Council discussed the most recent email from a resident regarding the weed spraying and the Clerk was asked to reiterate to the resident that the Parish Council had not instructed anyone to spray the weeds in the village but Shropshire Council had confirmed that they had sprayed the weeds in June and were scheduled to do this again in August.
6. **Report from Unitary Councillor** – Unfortunately Cllr Wynn was unable to attend the meeting as he is away.
7. **Report from Committees by Adderley Parish Council Representatives** – No-one present had attended any meetings since the last Parish Council meeting.
8. **Planning** – The following Planning Applications were considered and **comments agreed:**
None received
Determination of Planning
22/05309/FUL - Erection of 126No. dwellings and associated works - Land West Adderley Road, Market Drayton, Shropshire – **Permission Refused**
9. **Accounts**
 - a. **Expenditure** – For the Council to accept and approve the below detailed expenditure

Payee	Details		Net Amount	Vat Amount	Authority
Playsafety Ltd	Annual ROSPA Report	Int Bk	£86.00	£17.20	PHAAA 1907 s 76 (1)
MC re Impress Design & Print	Neighbourhood Plan Referendum flyers	Int Bk	£69.00		Localism Act 2011 ss 1-5
MC re Big Art & Banners Ltd	Neighbourhood Plan Referendum banners	Int Bk	£103.73	£20.75	Localism Act 2011 ss 1-5
Wicksteed Ltd	Replacements plastic caps	Int Bk	£9.32	£1.86	PHAAA 1907 s 76 (1)

N Power	Street light energy	DD	£121.81	£6.09	PCA 1957 ss 3 (1)
PN re 34SP.com	Website costs	Int Bk	£196.30	£39.26	LGA 1972 s 142
Jane Evans	Clerk's wages - July 2024	S/O	£390.15		LGA 1972 s 112 (2)
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	Total		£1,366.44	£85.16	

It was resolved by the Council that these expenses were paid.

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

Balance brought forward	£ 8,749.16
Income to date	£ 17,147.66
Expenditure to date	£ 6055.55
Balance to be carried forward	£ 19,841.27

Bank Balances as at 30th June 2024:

Current Account	£ 1,427.88
Funds held in Int Earning A/c	£ 18,803.54
Adjustment for unrepresented cheques & wages	£ 390.15
Total of Reconciled Bank Balances	£ 19,841.27

c. Quarterly Financial Review – Prior to the meeting the Clerk had circulated the financial information for the quarter ending 30th June 2024, the Council resolved that this should be agreed and Cllr Shepley initialled the Bank Statement to agree the above Bank Reconciliation.

d. Bleed Kits – At the last meeting Cllr Coulon had suggested that three bleed kits could be purchased one for in the Village Hall, one at the Bowling Club and one in the Defib cabinet. Prior to this meeting Cllr Coulon had advised by email that these kits cost c£60 each and have a life span of 4 years. The Council agreed to this suggestion of purchasing the kits for the community.

e. Additional Planter request – The Clerk advised that she had expected to get a request for additional planters, c£135 each, but this had not been received. Cllr Nash advised that he understood that it was not additional planters but replacement ones for in front of the Village Hall. The Clerk explained that the Village Planter Group had been given a £2,000 budget for this financial year, of which they had only used £316 to date. The Council agreed that if this request comes in before the next meeting and the group are still within the agreed budget the Clerk can agreed this expenditure.

f. Area by Bus Shelter Library – Further to the discussion at the last meeting the Council reviewed this matter and it was agreed that as there had been no further deterioration, and still no tip hazards, they would not do anything about this area at present but would continue to monitor the ground in front of the bus shelter library.

10. Highways & Environmental Health – The following was discussed:

- The Council discussed the fact that there is now only one speed limit repeater sign between Market Drayton and Adderley along the A529 and the Clerk will report this to Shropshire Highways.
- Prior to the meeting a copy of a Right of Way application had been circulated and the Clerk advised that, once this application had been processed by the Rights of Way Officer at Shropshire Council, the Parish Council would be contacted for their comments.
- Cllr Wilson advised that he had cut back the verge so that the speed monitoring unit, by the school, was not obscured by verge vegetation and he would leave the unit there for a month, download the data and then move it to opposite the Village Hall.

11. Street Lighting – There was nothing to report.

- 12. Playground Report** – The Clerk advised that the plastic stoppers required for the two pieces of play equipment, as detailed in the ROSPA report, had been received and Cllr Shepley advised that after the meeting he would deal with these. Further to the discussion at the last meeting the Clerk circulated quotations for various items of play equipment to replace the roller beam. After considering this matter further the Council agreed that, in view of the price, they would not be taking this forward unless the Clerk could secure some grant funding to assist with the purchase.
- 13. Three Parishes Neighbourhood Plan** – Cllr Nash advised the Council that at the recent referendum there had been a 94% ‘yes’ vote in favour of the Neighbourhood Plan with an electorate turnout of 22%, all agreed this was great news. The Neighbourhood Plan now has to be ‘made’ by Shropshire Council and then it becomes law. The Clerk advised the Council that there would be a small amount of money left in the Neighbourhood Plan Bank account and wondered if the Council would agree that their third of this could be spent on a celebration for the members of the Steering Group who have given up a lot of their time over the last 6 ½ years undertaking the Neighbourhood Plan, this was unanimously agreed.
- 14. Neighbourhood Watch** – Cllr Evans continues to circulate any issues to the Council, Neighbourhood Watch members and the WhatsApp group and suggested that some of the information he receives could be put on the parish website. Everyone agreed this was a good idea and Cllrs Nash and Shepley will take this forward with Cllr Evans.
- 15. Adderley School Ofsted** – Cllr Dowley advised the meeting that in a recent Ofsted Report Adderley School had been upgraded from good to outstanding. Everyone agreed that this was great news and asked the Clerk to write a letter to the Head Teacher to say well done.
- 16. Community Governance Report** – The Clerk explained the impact of this report on Adderley Parish.
- 17. RAF Shawbury Helicopter Liaison Group** – The Clerk advised the Council that the facilitating of these meetings has now been passed from Shropshire Council to RAF Shawbury who intend to email regular reports to Parish Councils rather than have face to face meetings.
- 18. Correspondence** – General topic notes and information bulletins from ALC/SALC/NALC/ Shropshire Council are circulated by email to Councillors between meetings and additionally, since the agenda had been published, the Clerk had circulated an email from the Shropshire Council leader regarding Parish Councils partnering Shropshire Council them to provide services in the area. This email was discussed and the Council agreed that the Clerk should respond by advising that the Parish Council would be willing to help but it depended on the resources required.
- 19. Parish Matters** – Cllr Wilson advised the meeting that the Bowling Club would be hosting the Shropshire County Cup Final on 10th August 2024.
- 20. Agenda Items for next meeting to be held on Wednesday 11th September 2024.** There were no additional items suggested for the agenda for the next Parish Council meeting but Cllrs Dowley, Wilson and Evans advised that they were unavailable for this date. The Clerk will liaise with Cllrs Coulon and Swindale and advise all members if this date is to be changed.

There being no other business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.40 pm

Approval of the Minutes held on 31st July 2024

Minutes accepted and approved by Adderley Parish Council at a meeting held on 11th September 2024

Signed by the Chairman