Munslow Parish Council

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Minutes of the Meeting of Munslow Parish Council on Thursday 3rd March 2022 at 7:30 pm at Beambridge Village Hall.

Present: Cllrs Barbara Archer (Chair), Edward Povey, Nigel Dobson, David Marston, Val Fotheringham and Graham Williams. Also Present: Cllr Cecilia Motley (Shropshire Council) and H Coonick (Clerk/RFO)

- 1. Apologies for Absence: Cllr Meeson received and accepted.
- 2. Declaration of Interest: Cllr Williams for item 7.1
- **3. Public Forum:** Mr and Mrs Cleevely were in attendance. They reported that Shropshire Council planning department required a new application. The changes included an environmental assessment and proposals for the yew hedge now satisfied Shropshire Council. Two reports on noise pollution state that the noise from the swimming pool would not be perceptible. They are employing a surveyor jointly with their neighbour to register the boundary of the property.
- 4. Minutes from meeting held on 3rd February 2022 were approved. Prop Cllr Dobson 2nd Cllr Povey.
- 5. Matters Arising: None
- 6. Urgent Items: Cllr Marston reported a manhole cover at Hungerford has slipped and has left a hole.
- 7. Planning Matters
 - 7.1. Erection of a building for the storage of farm machinery/tools and stabling of horses; Widening of existing field access from 4.5m to 9m Land South Of Bowgate Farm Rowe Lane: Cllr Williams left the room for this item. Four supported and one abstained. Resolved to support the application.
 - 7.2. The Chains Munslow Erection of garage to rear of existing stable block, erection of front boundary wall and partial demolition of existing wall: Resolved to support the erection of a garage but with a clause preventing residential or commercial uses. The erection of a boundary wall was objected to as the Council does not believe that the land is owned by the applicant.
 - **7.3. Aston Hall, Reconsultation due to Amendements on the application:** Council resolved to support this re-application as they are satisfied with the amendments.
- 8. Reports
 - 8.1. Chairman Cllr Archer. All items covered in the agenda.
 - 8.2. Shropshire Council Cllr Motley reported that Shropshire Council has been given a single year settlement by the Government. Mr Gove is keen for Shropshire, including Telford and Wrekin, to have a Mayor and the Council are discussing this. The Council is working with the hospital trust to assist with bed blocking. They are still waiting for the outcome of the bus service bid which would make a difference to public transport in the Corvedale. The budget for road repairs has increased. She advised that the Parish Council need to consider the Parish Boundaries and whether there would be a benefit from joining a larger parish. Acton Scott plans are making progress.

8.3. Beambridge Village Hall – Cllr Dobson reported that the committee had accepted the quote for heating and lighting works. Wifi is now in place.

9. Finance:

- 9.1. The reconciled bank account holds £13,027.45 as of 22nd Dec 2021. There have been no payments since that date. Cllr Marston signed the bank reconciliation.
- 9.2. Internal Auditor for 2022-2023 was agreed as Mr Kevin Adams.
- 9.3. Payments were authorised: H Coonick (salary Jan -March) £488.20 and travel expenses (Dec-Feb) £13.05. Cllr Archer (postage and heating costs) £8.00. Prop Cllr Dobson 2nd Cllr Povey. Unanimous

10. Highways

- 10.1. The VAS sign will be replaced as it is still faulty. The highest speed recorded was 74.5mph with an average of 1,000 vehicles per day. West Mercia police have got funding for speed checks along the Corvedale.
- 10.2. The Verge Near Swan needs repairs by Shropshire Council and a report has been made.
- 10.3. The Joint Parishes Highways Proposals Shropshire Council's report should be completed by the end of March. Council had received an email from a parishioner who was concerned about the speed of traffic through Munslow and the lack of vehicle activated signs. Cllr Motley was asked to support the proposals of Joint Parishes working group. She reported that a lot of highways work was now being taken back 'in house' and asked for the report to be sent to her.
- 10.4. Parking at the War Memorial, Munslow: A report will be made to Shropshire Council regarding the parking and it will be included in the Policing Charter.
- 10.5. Application for Environmental Maintenance Grant: £500 was allocated in the budget for the next financial year and an application for matched funding from Shropshire Council will be made.
- **10.6.** Hedge Cutting along the B4368 is being undertaken by Shropshire Council contractors.

11. Correspondence

- 11.1. Green Lanes and Recreational Motor Vehicles: No response
- 11.2. Nominations for Lord Lieutenant's Garden Party Three parishioners will be nominated by the Parish Council for their voluntary work during the pandemic.
- 12. Policing Charter and Meeting with Superintendent Bill: The Clerk reported on a meeting between Clerks and West Mercia Police. It was agreed to keep Speeding and Theft from Outbuildings on the Charter and add parking on pavements. Also to comment on communications between the Police and Shropshire Highways regarding speeding enforcement.
- Arrangements for Jubilee weekend of June 3rd to 6th 2022: Cllr Archer will attend a meeting on the 8/3/22 to discuss events. Millichope Park have agreed for an event to be held in their grounds.
- 14. The Queen's Jubilee Canopy: An oak tree with a plaque will be planted and a photograph provided to the Queen's Green Canopy who are mapping the sites.
- **15.** The Position of Waste Bin: It was decided that up to £300 will be spent on a waste bin next to the bus shelter in the Community Car Park near The Swan and will be emptied by the landlord of The Swan.
- 16. Action regarding a Defibrillator: Deferred to the next meeting.
- 17. The Date for the Annual Meeting and agenda items: Boundary Review
- 18. Items for the Next Meeting: Boundary Review, Defibrillators, agenda items for the annual meeting.

Date of Next Meeting: 7.30pm Thursday 7th April 2022 at Beambridge Village Hall

Signed by the Chair:

Date:

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