

# ASTLEY PARISH COUNCIL

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## MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING Held at 7.00pm on 17 July at Astley Village Hall

**Present:** Parish Councillors K Lloyd (Chair), E Bedell, H Mardell (Vice-Chair), S Robinson, K Sumner, D Williams and Shropshire Councillor L Picton.

**Clerk:** Lisa Harris

### 25.24 Apologies for Absence

None

### 26.24 Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

- a) No disclosable pecuniary interests were declared.
- b) There were no applications for a dispensation regarding disclosable pecuniary interests

**27.24 Public Participation Session** - *a period of 15 minutes will be set aside for the public to speak, with a strict 5-minute limit per speaker. Members of the public may speak on matters appearing on the agenda. However, if a matter does not appear on the agenda, a written request should be submitted to the Clerk no later than 2 working days before the meeting.*

There were no members of the public present.

### 28.24 To approve the Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on 22 May 2024

The minutes of the previous meeting had been circulated.

**It was proposed** by Councillor Sumner and seconded by Councillor Bedell and

**resolved (without opposition)**

that the minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on 22 May 2024 be accepted as a true record.

The minutes were signed accordingly.

### 29.24 Clerk's report on matters arising since the Annual Parish Council Meeting on 22 May 2024

- Submitted required information to external auditor prior to compliance deadline date. Published all necessary accounting records on the website in accordance with the public rights of the local electorate (or other interested person).
- Prepared and submitted article for Hadnall and Astley News
- Updated website with any upcoming temporary road closures notified of
- Researched information and responded to parishioner concerns

### 30.24 To receive reports from

#### a) Shropshire Councillor

Councillor Picton presented a report which covered:

- **Green Waste** - Following public consultation, the decision has been made that the “green waste” service will continue but with an annual charge of £56 per green bin. The payment year will run from 1 October to 30 September. You will be able to register and pay for this service from August onwards. The £56 charge is the average charge being made by other local authorities. Ideally, Shropshire Council would like to see as many residents as possible choose to compost. You will not be able to put your green waste into your residual (grey) waste bin as it will result in the bin being considered “contaminated” and it will not be emptied. Food waste can be placed in the grey bin until the free, weekly food waste collection comes online in 2026. If payment has not been received by 1 October, the collection of your green waste will stop. Green bins will be left with residents until a later date, but not emptied. You can purchase more than one bin at a charge of £56 per bin up to a maximum of three bins.
- **Household Recycling Centres** - The consultation results said loud and clear that residents wish to keep all centres open. Cabinet decided that all four household recycling centres will remain open but close one day a week. Awaiting confirmation of the day but most likely a Wednesday or Thursday as these are the quietest days across all household recycling centres. A booking system will be introduced for all the household recycling centres. You will be able to use an app or phone to book a slot. This works well in other council areas and has cut down on queues, illegal waste and allows the operatives to assist customers. It also allows Veolia a better way to manage the sites including the ability to safely move full containers (not an issue in Shrewsbury). There will be more information on this at a later date.
- **CCTV** - Shrewsbury CCTV is the only CCTV in Shropshire that is paid for by Shropshire Council. All other systems are paid for and managed by the Town Councils. A recommendation to consult went before Cabinet today to seek new ways of monitoring the CCTV and therefore reduce the amount spent on the service. Please take part in the consultation which will be listed on [www.shropshire.gov.uk/get-involved/](http://www.shropshire.gov.uk/get-involved/)
- **Town Centre Redevelopment** - The demolition contractors are now on site at Riverside and there is a significant amount of activity. In the next few weeks, the big machinery will arrive to start the actual demolition. Currently there is much preparation and stripping out taking place.
- **Parish & Town Council Survey** - You will soon be receiving a survey, distributed via SALC, asking for parish council comments on the services that Shropshire Council currently delivers and how town and parish councils may be able to work more closely together and with Shropshire Council. Please complete this survey when it arrives.

#### b) RAF Shawbury

Flight Lieutenant Mason is currently away on a training course and therefore unable to attend the meeting. No report was available.

*[The next item was moved up the agenda at the discretion of the Chairman to facilitate a better flow of the meeting]*

## 32.24 Planning

### 1. Decisions to note

**a. Ref: 24/01062/OUT**

Address: Wynnstay Group Plc Astley Park Battlefield Shrewsbury Shropshire SY4 4RT

Description: Outline application for the erection of warehouse building and new storage area with all matters reserved

Validated: 20 Mar 2024

Status: Granted

Application can be viewed on Shropshire Council's Planning Portal, or by clicking [here](#)

**b. Ref: 24/01517/TCA**

Address: Applegarth Astley Shrewsbury Shropshire SY4 4BP

Description: Fell 2no. Norway Spruce (T1 and T2) and 1no. Lawson Cypress (T3) within Astley Conservation Area

Validated: 30 Apr 2024

Status: Consent by Right - Trees

Application can be viewed on Shropshire Council's Planning Portal, or by clicking [here](#)

**c. Ref: 24/01741/TCA**

Address: Church Farmhouse Astley Shrewsbury Shropshire SY4 4BP

Description: Crown reductions by 20 percent of 1no. Bramley Apple (T1) and 1 no. Whitebeam (T2) within Astley Conservation Area

Validated: 30 Apr 2024

Status: Consent By Right – Trees

Application can be viewed on Shropshire Council's Planning Portal, or by clicking [here](#)

### 2. Planning applications for consideration

**a. Ref: 24/02095/FUL**

Address: Shrewsbury Selfstore Battlefield Shrewsbury Shropshire SY4 3DB

Description: Proposed industrial/commercial development and all associated works

Validated: 30 May 2024

Status: Pending Consideration

Application can be viewed on Shropshire Council's Planning Portal, or by clicking [here](#)

**b. Ref: 24/02397/TCA**

Address: The Squirrels Astley Shrewsbury Shropshire SY4 4BP

Description: To fell 3no. Cedars (T1, 2 & 4) and 1no. Weeping Birch (T3) within Astley Conservation Area

Validated: 21 Jun 2024

Status: Pending Consideration

Application can be viewed on Shropshire Council's Planning Portal, or by clicking [here](#)

After full consideration, it was put to a vote to determine whether Astley Parish Council would support, object or remain neutral on planning application 24/02095/FUL.

**It was agreed (without opposition)**

that Astley Parish Council would lodge an objection with Shropshire Council in respect of planning application 24/02095/FUL.

**ACTION:** Clerk to submit an objection citing the relevant material considerations.

*[Councillor Picton left the meeting at this point.]*

**31.24 Current financial matters**

**a) Payments**

Payee	Description	Amount
Miss L Harris	Clerk's expenses June/July	£ 42.75
Miss L Harris	Clerk's salary June/July	£ 792.60
HMRC	PAYE on Clerk's salary June/July	£ 198.00
Shropshire Council	Joint energy cost	£ 279.76
E.ON	Street lighting maintenance contract (1 of 2)	£ 44.26
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>£ 1357.37</b>

**It was proposed** by Councillor Mardell and seconded by Councillor Lloyd and

**resolved (without opposition)**

that the above accounts be approved for payment.

**b) Bank reconciliation to 10 July 2024**

The bank was reconciled at £13,395.13, being the online banking balance on the date the meeting agenda was prepared. The bank reconciliation was agreed and signed accordingly.

**33.24 To receive any relevant updates from parish councillors**

- Councillors Bedell and Williams are frequently checking the two defibrillators in the parish. It was confirmed that both defibrillators are ready to use as and when required. Councillor Bedell updates The Circuit on a regular basis.
- Councillor Bedell had had an enjoyable time at RAF Shawbury's Landowner's Day on 23 May and was grateful for the opportunity to attend.

**34.24 Highway matters**

At the May meeting the Consultation Plan from WSP relating to the proposed introduction of a 50mph speed limit along the A53, Albrightlee/Upper Astley had been studied. Subsequently, the Clerk had submitted a request, on behalf of the Parish Council, that all speed signs be mandatory and not simply recommended speed limits, and that the speed reduction be introduced as soon as possible. Nothing further has been heard.

**ACTION:** Clerk to chase WSP for an update.

**35.24 Correspondence**

Nothing beyond what already mentioned.

**36.24 Future agenda items**

None.

**37.24 Date of next meeting**

Wednesday 18 September 2024, 7.00pm at Astley Village Hall

The Chairman thanked everybody for attending and the meeting closed at 8.38pm.

Signed by Chairman: .....

Date: 25 September 2024