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MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 28TH OCTOBER 2024 AT 7.30PM, AT THE COCK INN FUNCTION ROOM, HANWOOD

Present: Cllr. Evans (Chairman), Bromage, Butler, Davies, Dowley, Greenwell and Jones

Absent: 2

Public: 0

In attendance: R. Turner (Clerk)

57/2425 PERSONS PRESENT AND TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies received from Cllrs. Chadwick and Fox. Cllr. Butler had apologised for anticipated late arrival.

58/2425 DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS & DISPENSATION REQUESTS

a) *Declaration of any disclosable pecuniary interest in a matter to be discussed at the meeting and which is not included in the register of interests.*

None declared.

b) *Dispensation requests*

None being sought.

c) *Gifts or hospitality*

None declared.

59/2425 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

No members of the public present.

60/2425 MINUTES

It was **RESOLVED** to confirm the minutes of the Council Meeting dated 30th September 2024 as being a true record and to authorise the chairman to sign them.

61/2425 REPORTS

a) *Police Report*

None.

b) *Shropshire Council*

Cllr. Evans gave a report:

- Finances – Shirehall building closed to employees from 31st October 2024. Some other regulatory and NHS services will remain until early New Year. This will save money on heating. SC moving to The Guildhall but the building is not yet ready
- As at end August 2024, SC has a predicted £800k revenue reserve at end March 2025.
- Compulsory redundancies starting – 540 FTE overall target.
- Green bins being charged from 4th November at £56 per bin. Booking system for recycling centres will also start on that date.
- Flooding – it was noted that Hanwood had suffered badly in the recent floods and the clerk is sending all reports to SC's central flood reporting email. Noted flooding

at New Station Cottage, the bridge, the brook, the main road between Hanwood and Edgebold roundabout.

- Cllr. Evans met with Mark Barrow, SC Director and raised parish council concerns about staff availability for things wanted when parishes paying e.g. 40mph VAS.
- Planning Inspector visited last week and expected Examination will now be next Spring.

Action: Clerk to follow up on the 40mph VAS at Edgebold with Mark Barrow

Cllr. Butler entered.

c) Youth club

Invoices now received for hall hire. Next committee meeting January 2025.

d) Village Hall

It was **RESOLVED** to approve a grant of £692 towards general running costs of the hall
It was further **RESOLVED** to purchase chairs and storage trolley at a cost of £1,807.71 and gift them to the Hall.

e) Speed Camera WG

Council supported the move to Phase 2 of the project, this being enforcement focused, with councils providing intelligence to the police on peak speeding times (peak hour for vehicles travelling at 35mph+) and high speed (50mph+) offenders – the police will then carry out enforcement patrols with a TruCam speed gun at appropriate times. The clerk presented draft project documents, and it was agreed to leave in reference to a councillor (Cllr. Chadwick) having access to the data.

f) Parish Councillor Reports (of external meetings attended)

None.

62/2425 **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

a) Q2 bank reconciliation and budget report

It was **RESOLVED** to note the budget report and bank reconciliation to Q2 (see Appendix 1) The reconciled balance being £91,487.74 as at 30.09.24.

Action: Clerk to check the deadlines for spending of CIL NF.

b) Legal advice service renewal with Telford and Wrekin Council

It was **RESOLVED** to renew the service. The other parishes the clerk works for will be asked to split the cost, on the basis they can also seek advice on the pensions discretions document which all councils need to update.

c) Closure of Natwest account and transfer of funds to Cambridge BS

It was **RESOLVED** to close the Natwest account and transfer the full funds to Cambridge BS.

d) Payments including payments made between meetings

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the following:

Ref	Payee	Item	Type	Net	VAT	Gross
P59-2425	HMRC	PAYE Q2	DD	£1,110.12	£0.00	£1,110.12
P60-2425	R Turner	Salary	SO	£1,011.71	£0.00	£1,011.71
P61-2425	Landright Services	Maintenance contract	SO	£390.83	£78.17	£469.00
P62-2425	Hanwood VH	Grant	SO	£692.00	£0.00	£692.00
P63-2425	Go Pak Ltd	Chairs and trolley	BACS	£1,977.60	£395.52	£2,373.12
P64-2425	CCC4 Business	October consultancy	BACS	£74.25	£14.85	£89.10
P65-2425	R Turner	Expenses	BACS	£28.10	£0.00	£28.10

P66-2425	Telford and Wrekin Council	Legal service	BACS	£237.50	£47.50	£285.00
P67-2425	SCPF	Pension	BACS	£300.61	£0.00	£300.61

- e) *Income received*
None.

63/2425 **PLANNING NOTIFICATIONS – FOR INFORMATION**

- 1) 24/03161/FUL - Proposed Holiday Let Accommodation At 1, Bridge Lane, Hanwood
Proposal: Change of use from ancillary accommodation to holiday let
Decision: Grant Permission

64/2425 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS – FOR COMMENT**

- 1) 24/03971/FUL - 60 Atherton Rise, Hanwood, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY5 8BS
Proposal: Proposed side extension to existing dwelling to provide an accessible bedroom space and improved living arrangements
Comments: It was **RESOLVED** to support as previously.

65/2425 **PARISH MATTERS**

- a) *Highways matters*
(i) *Flooding road to Edgebold*
(ii) *Flooding Station Cottages*
(iii) *Orchard Lane*

Items (i) to (iii) have all been reported again to SC following recent heavy rain.

- (iv) *Other reports of flooding issues*

- Oaklands View – Phase 3 gardens
- Chestnut Close -bungalow near to the shop.
- Flooding causing a lot of erosion, e.g. Reabrook by fields at back of village hall. Eating away at a farmer's field, ground underneath bridge.
- Old cable out of children's play area, as you turn left is exposed due to flooding on right there – write to Western Power.

- (v) *Weir Road surface* – use of CIL for wheelchair access & footpath by terraced houses
Response awaited from SC Highways.

- (vi) *Weir Road – renewal of markings*
Tracy Russell SC Highways investigating.

- (vii) *Mirror Post Office Lane*
Convex mirror needed, going up the hill to see what's coming from the right-hand side (not turning left)
Action: Clerk to seek permission and purchase one.

- (viii) *Hedge Post Office Lane*
This has been cut.

- (ix) *Road signs – Church Lane and Oaklands View*
Both replaced.

- b) *Lights at Hanwood Village Hall*

It was noted that the residents are not happy with the positions of the lights, and a site visit has been made. The contractor has warned that moving them may make them less effect as they are solar; the contractor will accept no liability if they are removed. It was **RESOLVED** to accept the risk and the quote of £984.64 plus VAT to move the 2 lights closest to houses.

Actions:

- Landright Services to cut vegetation around new light positions, both now and ongoing.

- Clerk to email residents.
- Clerk to print out plan with new locations marked for checking.
- Clerk to follow up with Jason Hughes re the two-way light.

- c) *Bollards, Vine Close*
No update. It was noted that a car regularly parks on the green, white small BMW.
Action: Clerk to follow up with Homes Plus.
- d) *Caradoc play area maintenance matters*
Reports of children on motorised bikes.
Action: Clerk to report to police.
- e) *Memorial bench*
Works in progress.
- f) *Remembrance Sunday*
Wreath delivered
Action: Cllr. Evans to lay.
- g) *Other parish matters – reports*
Newsletter – deadline mid November.

66/2425 **CORRESPONDENCE AND CONSULTATIONS**

- a) *SALC Bulletins*
b) *Any other consultations*

67/2425 **NEXT MEETING**

- a) *Monday, 25th November 2024- Council Meeting, 7.30pm, at The Cock Inn Function Room, Hanwood*
- b) *Items for agenda*
Draft budget.

68/2425 *It was **RESOLVED** that pursuant to Schedule 12A, Local Government Act 1972 and pursuant to the provisions of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960, that the public and press should be excluded during discussion of Items 69/2425 due to the likely disclosure of confidential information*

69/2425 **PENSION DISCRETIONS POLICY**

It was **RESOLVED** that the clerk would review the policy with SCPF and seek advice from the Telford and Wrekin Council legal service; the cost of advice will be split three ways with Great Ness and Little Ness PC and Ford PC, should they wish to seek advice. A draft policy will be brought to council for approval.