

COUND PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING Held at 7.30pm on 18 March 2021 by remote video call

Present: Parish Councillors S Scott, T Roberts, L Clutterbuck, R Davies, S Green, J Hall, S James, R Sartain, M Smith, and Shropshire County Councillor C Wild

Clerk: Lisa Harris

The meeting could not be conducted face-to-face due to the restrictions imposed during the Coronavirus pandemic. The Council took advantage of The Local Authorities (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority Meetings) (England) Regulations 2020 allowing local authorities to conduct meetings remotely.

73.20 Apologies for Absence

None

74.20 Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

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

75.20 Public Participation session/Matters of Concern/Parish Matters

No members of the public present

76.20 To approve the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 21 January 2021

The minutes of the previous meeting had been circulated.

It was proposed by Cllr Roberts and seconded by Cllr Smith and

resolved (without opposition)

that the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 21 January 2021 be accepted as a true record.

The minutes were signed accordingly.

77.20 Matters arising from the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of 21 January 2021

- a) Update on A458/Cound Park speeding traffic (min ref 36.20, 50.20 & 64.20) - Steve Brown (Head of Transport and Environment at Shropshire Council) is stepping up for his manager who is currently on sick leave. It is anticipated that he may be available for the next meeting.

It was agreed that this would be an agenda item carried forward to the July meeting with Steve Brown and Chris Lewis (and/or other Cound Park residents) invited to attend.

ACTION: Clerk to email Steve Brown and Chris Lewis re attendance at July meeting.

- b) Cllr Sartain had asked whether it was possible for the Parish Council to recognise good works, such as litter picking, in the Parish by sending a letter of thanks or a certificate acknowledging the effort. Cllr Sartain said he would be happy to work with the Clerk on preparing a letter for the Chairman's signature.

It was agreed that at the July meeting the Council would consider recipients for the letter of commendation.

ACTION: Cllr Sartain to work with the Clerk on creating an appropriate letter.

- c) Precept 2021/22. The Clerk at the time had submitted the precept to Shropshire Council prior to the deadline.

78.20 Appointment of Responsible Financial Officer

It was proposed by Cllr Roberts and seconded by Cllr James and

resolved (without opposition)

that Lisa Harris be appointed as Responsible Financial Officer to the Council.

79.20 To receive report from Shropshire Councillor

- Cllr Wild and Cllr Scott had had a non-productive meeting with Airband and were awaiting a follow up telephone call from the company's Managing Director. There were reports from the Chairman of Church Preen, Hughley and Kenley Parish Council regarding poor workmanship by Airband in their area. Plans for the location of the telecommunications infrastructure (cabinets and poles) were expected to have been provided by Airband in time for this meeting but nothing had been received yet.
- Whilst doing her rounds of the area, Cllr Wild had spoken to the lady who has the fir trees by Cound Arbour Bridge and she wasn't averse to having them trimmed which could be helpful. However, it would be best to leave this until we know that something is happening with the bridge.
- Cound Arbour Bridge – Cllr Wild will work with the Clerk to provide Gurnek Singh (Engineering Services & Bridges Manager, Shropshire Council) with the Parish Council's feedback on the drawings of the proposed works.

A discussion took place over concerns regarding weight restrictions and the appropriate signage. Various suggestions were made, and it was agreed that Cllr Wild would speak to Gurnek Singh to see if he would come to next meeting to discuss available options.

Cllr Roberts initiated debate on flooding near the bridge and the possibility of a culvert being put in when the groundwork is being done on the bridge. Cllr Wild advised that Shropshire Council's finances are finite and that any extra works on the bridge, such as a culvert, would need to be part of a future project. This can be discussed with Gurnek Singh at the next meeting.

80.20 To receive the defibrillator audit check for the period

Cllr Roberts had performed the audit checks for the period up to 14th March 2021. There were no issues to report.

81.20 Current Year Financial matters

a) Payments

Authorised payments for February and March 2021 from Treasurer's Account

Date	Payee	Description	Amount
18/03/2021	Miss L Harris	Clerk's expenses Feb/Mar	£ 64.24
18/03/2021	Miss L Harris	Clerk's Salary Feb/Mar	£ 354.60
18/03/2021	HMRC	PAYE on Clerk's salary	£ 88.60
18/03/2021	SALC	Clerk's "The Knowledge" training	£ 75.00
18/03/2021	SALC	Year End/Audit for Clerks - LH	£ 30.00
18/03/2021	SALC	Year End/Audit for Councillors - TR	£ 30.00
TOTAL			£ 642.44

It was proposed by Cllr Roberts and seconded by Cllr Hall and

resolved (without opposition)

that the above accounts be approved for payment.

b) Bank reconciliation to 14 March 2021

The bank was reconciled at £5,452.39, being the online banking balances on the date the meeting Agenda was prepared. The bank reconciliation was agreed and signed by the Chairman.

82.20 Planning

1. Decisions to note:

a) Ref: 21/00611/DIS

Address: The Riverside Inn Cound, Shrewsbury Shropshire SY5 6AF

Description: Discharge of Conditions 3 (Roof Materials) 4 (Brick bond/brickwork), 5 (decking materials and finishes) 6 (Exterior soil/vent/waste pipes/ventilation terminals, meter boxes, exterior cabling and electrical fittings) and 7 (External masonry, woodwork and rainwater good) for planning application number 20/02345/VAR (LBC)

Validated: 8 Feb 2021

Status: Granted 01 Mar 2021

b) Ref: 21/00525/DIS

Address: The Riverside Inn Cound, Shrewsbury Shropshire SY5 6AF

Description: Discharge of Condition 3 (Materials) associated with planning application number 20/04129/FUL

Validated: 03 Feb 2021

Status: Granted 26 Feb 2021

c) Ref: 21/00503/DIS

Address: The Riverside Inn Cound Shrewsbury Shropshire SY5 6AF

Description: Discharge of Conditions 3 (Materials) and 4 (External joinery) associated with planning application number 20/04267/LBC

Validated: 03 Feb 2021

Status: Granted 26 Feb 2021

d) Ref: 21/00504/DIS

Address: The Riverside Inn Cound Shrewsbury Shropshire SY5 6AF

Description: Discharge of Condition 3 (finishes/colour) associated with application number 20/04349/LBC

Validated: 03 Feb 2021

Status: Granted 26 Feb 2021

e) Ref: 21/00502/DIS

Address: The Riverside Inn Cound Shrewsbury Shropshire SY5 6AF

Description: Discharge of Condition 3 (Materials) associated with planning application 20/04130/LBC

Validated: 03 Feb 2021

Status: Granted 26 Feb 2021

f) Ref: 21/00091/FUL

Address: No 6 The Barns Upper Cound Farm Upper Cound Shrewsbury Shropshire SY5 6BL

Description: Works to facilitate loft conversion to include additional roof windows

Validated: 29 Jan 2021

Status: Granted 04 Mar 2021

g) Ref: 20/04006/FUL

Address: Brookside Cottage Cound Shrewsbury Shropshire SY5 6AP

Description: Erection of flat roofed, timber framed and clad single storey extension following removal of modern brick and glazed rear utility room/entrance porch affecting a grade II listed building

Validated: 9 Oct 2020

Status: Granted 01 Mar 2021

2. Planning applications for consideration

a) Ref: 21/00747/FUL

Address: Fen Wyatt Little Mosterley Cound Shrewsbury Shropshire SY5 6BG

Description: Erection of a steel portal framed building for storage of agricultural machinery and equipment

Validated: 15 Feb 2021

Status: Pending Consideration

b) Ref: 21/00625/DIS

Address: The Riverside Inn Cound Shrewsbury Shropshire SY5 6AF

Description: Discharge of conditions 4 (Method Statement) and 5 (Tree Protection) associated with planning application number 20/04345/VAR

Validated: 08 Feb 2021

Status: Pending Consideration

c) Ref: 21/00426/LBC

Address: Upper Cound House Upper Cound Shrewsbury Shropshire SY5 6AX

Description: Installation of 6No. replacement timber windows affecting a Grade II Listed Building

Validated: 09 Feb 2021

Status: Pending Consideration

d) Ref: 21/00108/LBC

Address: Mosterley Farm Little Mosterley Cound Shrewsbury Shropshire SY5 6BH

Description: Erection of a single storey side extension affecting a Grade II Listed Building

Validated: 21 Jan 2021

Status: Pending Consideration

e) Ref: 21/00107/FUL

Address: Mosterley Farm Little Mosterley Cound Shrewsbury Shropshire SY5 6BH

Description: Erection of a single storey side extension

Validated: 21 Jan 2021

Status: Pending Consideration

No objections nor comments were recorded on any of the above planning applications.

83.20 Correspondence

- An email had been received from Paul Harrison, a member of the public from Acton Burnell. He noted that Cound has a pending application for a rights of way inclusion on the Definitive Map - Ref. 94 (2009) Bridleway addition from Cound along Church Lane to Upper Cound. He was offering a reminder of the 1 January 2026 deadline for rights of way to be recorded on the Definitive Map. Cllr Wild advised that there are thousands of claims currently in the application queue. Cllr Green said that the right of way in question is locally and informally regarded as a bridleway but that nobody takes responsibility for it. It is important that they do as it is dangerous due to the profusion of ironwork on the ground. She advised that if it were officially defined as a bridleway then a local bridleways clearance group could step in to help. Cllr Roberts recounted that in 2009 John Nichols had submitted this very application as Church Lane had and still has no official status. However, due to the vast backlog of submissions, a decision remains outstanding. Back in 2009 the ownership of Church Lane was discussed and although the owners of the land bounding it are not in dispute, it is unclear to whom the land around the footbridge belongs. Cllr Sartain will talk to David Waller to try and establish whose land it is.
- Stephen Crack had contacted the Parish Council at the end of last year regarding the Plant Britain initiative by BBC Countryfile. Cllr Sartain reported that a neighbour of his had applied and the free trees on offer had been snapped up very quickly and that there were none remaining.

ACTION: Clerk to reply to Mr Crack advising that unfortunately the trees were no longer available.

- Email from Electoral Services at Shropshire Council concerning nomination packs for upcoming local elections. Cllr Roberts relayed information on the nomination process gleaned from a recent SALC training session.
- Cound Arbour Preliminary Design Consultation Drawings – discussed at 79.20.

Cound Parish Council resolves That by the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 and under Section 100(A) of the Local Government Act 1992, the public and press be excluded for the remainder of the meeting for the following items 84.20 of business on the grounds they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the Acts. Cllr Wild was therefore thanked for her valuable contribution to the meeting, and she left immediately thereafter.

84.20 To appoint Highways Maintenance Contractor for 2021/22

Two contractors had submitted quotes for the 2021/22 one-year contract. The Clerk had anonymised the quotes and the Councillors examined the merits of Quote A and B. After a full discussion, the submissions were put to the vote and Quote A was accepted.

ACTION: Clerk to write to both parties advising of the decision.

85.20 Minor matters not included elsewhere on agenda and future agenda items

- Cllr Roberts read out a letter of thanks from Kathy Symonds for the gift she had received on stepping down as Parish Clerk.
- Cllr James advised that the telephone box in the lay-by has had a notice placed on it

advising that it is due to be removed. To be discussed on next agenda.

- Cllr Hall asked for the matter of potholes be put on the next agenda. However, Cllr Scott advised that potholes should be reported online at www.shropshire.gov.uk/roads-and-highways/highways-maintenance/pothole-maintenance-and-repair/
- Cllr James asked for Guildhall matters to be reinstated as a standing item on future agendas.
- Cllr Scott requested that the Clerk's Report was also reinstated on future agendas.

86.20 Date and time of next meeting (APM)

Thursday 20 May 2021 at 7.30pm at The Guildhall, Cound (or by Zoom virtual meeting if necessary).

The Chairman thanked everybody for attending and the meeting closed at 9.18 pm.

Signed by Chairman:

Date: