

Acton Burnell, Frodesley, Pitchford, Ruckley & Langley Parish Council

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Concord College, Acton Burnell

Tuesday 21st January 2020 at 7.30pm

MINUTES (draft)

- 20.1.1** The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting.
- 20.1.2 Present & Apologies**
- 20.1.2.1 Present: Cllr J Long - Chair, Cllr K Faulkner - Vice Chair, Cllr T Johnson, Cllr C Culliss, Cllr P Harrison, Cllr R Morgan, Cllr A Argyropulo, County Cllr D Morris, E Wicks – Clerk.
- 20.1.2.2 Apologies received from Cllr G Ball and Cllr G Davies
- 20.1.3 Declarations of Interest:** Cllr Morgan declared interest in Home Farm Barns and Evenwood Farm. As such he will not take part in any discussions regarding these two properties.
- 20.1.4** There were no Members of the Public in attendance.
- 20.1.5** Cllr Argyropulo proposed acceptance of the minutes of the meeting 12th November 2019, as read. Cllr Faulkner seconded and all agreed.
- 20.1.6** It was noted that no Police reports or Newsletters had been issued since October. **Action: Clerk to contact SNT and remind them of their commitment to provide updates.**
- 20.1.7** County Cllr. Morris provided an update from the Full Council Meeting in December. His proposal, for a 20mph speed limit on roads approaching schools, had gained full acceptance. A feasibility and cost study, of implementing the speed limit and other safety measures for all Shropshire schools, will follow.
- The Climate Strategy Framework was signed off. The aim is for SC to be carbon neutral by 2050.
- There are two significant SC appointments: Jonathan Stigwood, as Highways Drainage Engineer and John Bellis, as Flood Risk Manager.
- 20.1.8** The Parish defibrillators will soon be registered on the 'Circuit'. This database will hold information on the location and operational readiness of all defibrillators in the country.
- 20.1.9 Community Led Plan:** Council to consider the Action Issues from the plan.
- 20.1.9.1 Traffic calming in villages. Options are Painted Speed limits, installing false gates. **Action: Clerk to obtain likely costs.**
- 20.1.9.2 Traffic safety measures on lanes: Options are Chevrons on the sharp bend, also widening road at single lane stretches. **Action: Clerk to consult with SC Highways.**
- 20.1.9.3 Acton Burnell footpath extension: The project is underway. The Chairman and Clerk have met with the Highways Manager, for a site assessment. The PC is currently waiting on work plans and costs from the Highways dept. **Action: Clerk to Chase.**
- 20.1.9.4 Stoneleigh Park entrance/exit: The investigation is ongoing. Highways visited site and noted visual splays and lack of white lines. PC is waiting on responses from Highways and Planning Depts. **Action: Clerk to Chase.**
- 20.1.9.5 Public footpath and bridleways, protection maintenance and improvement: The PC's Investigations in to public access past both Oaklands Farm and Golding Hall are ongoing. The Parish Council has received confirmation that they are both Public Rights of Way and that there are Statutory Orders in place to keep them open.

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- 20.1.9.6 Public footpath route between Pitchford and Acton Burnell: The cost of a paved or gravelled path is prohibitive and unlikely to obtain consent from all landowners. PC to investigate the possibility of a permissive path that allowed walking the land edge inside the hedge. **Action: Clerk to contact Shona Butter for the process and rules to obtain agreement on a permissive path.**
- 20.1.9.7 Broadband and Mobile networks improvement: Connecting Shropshire has provided some information (circulated to Council Members) that could help improve signal reception. They are able to provide data download/upload speeds for any problem area. **Action: Clerk to request data speed check in both Cllr Faulkner's and Cllr Ball's postcodes.**
- 20.1.9.8 Community communication options: The Village Views newsletter continues to be published. A WhatsApp community group was suggested by a possible volunteer. **Action: Cllr Harrison to contact the individual to explore further.**
- 20.1.9.9 Children's play area: The only suitable area was purchased by Concord College. **Action: Chairman to raise with the College Principal at next meeting.**
- 20.1.9.10 Continuation and further provision of services for the elderly. One of the main issues is transport in and out of the village. The Shropshire Rural Buses group is asking for improvement ideas. **Action: Clerk to contact the group to suggest an extra weekday bus with times as those of the Saturday Bus.**
- 20.1.9.11 Dog waste notices/bins. The SC provided notices to advise the use of rubbish bins for bagged dog waste. The notices are only suitable for sticking to flat surfaces not rough concrete bins. **Action: Cllr Morgan to investigate laminating the signs.**
- 20.1.9.12 Allotments. The Council is not in a position to provide allotments as it has no access to any local land. It was suggested that there were possibly residents who were elderly or becoming less able to maintain their gardens and might be open to the idea of someone using part of their property for growing. **Action: Clerk to put an item in the Village Views to see who might be interested.**
- 20.1.9.13 Community oil buying scheme: It was advised that the Oil Club has a branch in Conover. **Action. Cllr Harrison to make enquires.**

20.1.10 Highways Matters:

- 20.1.10.1 Clerk to report on highway matters. See Clerk's report.
- 20.1.10.2 The PC commented on the flooding and number of Potholes due to water damage. Cllr Morris advised that the new SC appointments should provide the expertise to address the issues of flood management and water damage on highways. **Action: 1. Cllrs to note on a map to provide a full picture of the Parish flood flash points. 2. Clerk to collate and pass to Cllr Morris.**

The Clerk advised that it was not possible to use the SC portal to request new salt bins, there are apparently enough distributed around the County. **Action: 1.Cllr Morgan to provide a map of damaged salt bins. 2. Clerk to pass to Cllr Morris.**

20.1.11 Finance:

- 20.1.11.1 Cllr Harrison proposed to approve the payment of accounts totalling **£682.32**. Cllr Faulkner seconded and all agreed.
- 20.1.11.2 Cllr Morgan proposed to approve the Bank Reconciliation as presented by the Clerk, Cllr Johnson seconded and all agreed.

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20.1.11.3 Cllr Culliss proposed to agree the Precept amount so that there is no increase to the charge per household. Cllr Argyropulo seconded and all agreed.

20.1.12 Planning:

20.1.12.1 Clerk to update on existing planning applications:

Ref: 18/05229/FUL (validated: 20/11/2018)

Address: Home Farm Barn, Acton Burnell

Status: Pending. **Conservation Issues**

Ref: 19/03636/FUL (validated 21/08/19. PC comment by 20/09/19)

Address: Broadlands, Concord College, Acton Burnell.

Proposal: Erection of 3 extensions, relocate gas tanks and provide oil tanks

Status: Pending. **Historic Buildings & Conservation Issues.**

Ref: 19/04135/VAR (validated 17/09/19. PC comment by 18/10/19)

Address: Concord College

Proposal: Extend use of Temporary Classrooms

Status: Granted

Ref: 19/04140/FUL (validated 10/09/19. PC comment by 11/10/19)

Address: SE of Acton Piggott Farm

Proposal: Barn Conversion to Student Accommodation

Status: Granted

Ref: 19/04275/FUL (validated 27/09/19. PC comment by 2/11/19)

Address: Frodesley Park Farm

Proposal: Erection of two storey and 1 storey extensions, porch & front door.

Status: Granted

20.1.12.2 **Council to consider new planning applications.**

Ref: 19/05184/FUL (validated 17/12/19. PC comment by 24/1/20)

Address: NW of Evenwood Farm, Kenley

Proposal: Barn conversion to 3 dwellings, home office, gym.

The PC agreed to make no comment.

20.1.12.3 Clerk to update on Other Planning Notices

Ref: 19/06414/ENF (validated: 7/2/2019)

ADDRESS: Frodesley Lodge, SY5 7QH

Issue: Alleged breach...erection of large wooden framed building.

Ref: 19/06442/ENF (validated: 21/2/2019)

ADDRESS: Adj. Stoneleigh, Acton Burnell

Issue: Alleged Breach...construction of visibility displays.

Action: Clerk to request sight of Berries proposals

20.1.13 We Don't Buy Crime:

20.1.13.1 The Registration is done using an App for mobile phones and tablets. The App. allows the user to enter the customer name & address and then scan the smartwater code. Clerk to investigate if pre-registration is possible so that Smart water can be distributed door to door. **Action: 1. Clerk to get more detail on the registration method. 2. Clerk to get an item in Village Views, to advise that the PC will be distributing SmartWater over the coming weeks.**

20.1.14 Environmental Issues

20.1.14.1 Bridleways & Paths: Shona Butter is overseeing the investigations in to the Rights of way through Oaklands and Golding. Evidence of Usage is still good to put on file.

20.1.14.2 Historic Structures: The Roman Bridge restoration should commence in the spring.

20.1.14.3 Water Courses: See action at 20.1.10.2

20.1.14.4 Shropshire Hills Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB). No updates.

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20.1.15 Parish Matters

20.1.15.1 There were no Parish matters further to those above.

20.1.16 Items for Information: See Clerk's Report

20.1.17 Time, Date and Location of Next Meeting

7.30pm Tuesday 10th March 2020. Concord College, Acton Burnell