

# NEEN SAVAGE PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2022 at Neen Savage Parish Hall commencing at 7.30pm.

Chairman: Cllr Michael Tomkinson.

Clerk: Mrs D McBride.

Present: Cllr Michael Tomkinson, Cllr Chris Hardy, Cllr Julian Cleford, Cllr Olwen Sales, Cllr Sue Del Mar and Unitary Cllr Simon Harris.

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the Parish Council meeting.

362/01 To receive and accept apologies and reasons for Absence from Members

Council accepted the following apologies:

Cllr Arthur Ratcliff – unwell.

Unitary Cllr Gwilym Butler – Cllr Harris in attendance.

362/02 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest made.

362/03 Public Participation Session

There were no members of public present.

362/04 To confirm the Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2022

It was RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2022 be ADOPTED as a true record and signed.

362/05 Matters Arising/Clerk and Councillors' Progress Reports since the last meeting

i) Clerk's Progress Report

**Highways**

Cllr Simon Harris is helping chase up Highways for more work on the road from Nash to Detton via Goesland and has shown Graham Downes this section of road on 14<sup>th</sup> March. Cllr Sales and Cllr Tomkinson stated a few pot holes had been marked for repair but not the worst sections.

**Ford CIL Project**

There has still been no contact from Ffion Horton regarding a site meeting to discuss the proposed work at the Ford. A provisional meeting has been arranged with our Place Plan Officer with a view to updating the Place Plan.

**Litter Pick on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> April**

Please let Cllr Ratcliff know if you cannot attend on the day and whether you can pick some sections on an alternative day. The following sections are covered already Picklebatch to Meadow Bank, Stonehouse to Stepple and Mawley to Barbrook and Six Ashes to Baveney.

**Jubilee Tree and Bench**

The location for the tree and bench has been approved with the nearby landowner. The tree can be planted at any time. The bench is finished, apart from the plaque.

ii) Cllr Sales reported that no incidents or issues had been logged on the CrimeWatch WhatsApp Group.

iii) Cllr Tomkinson and Cllr Ratcliff have worked with the contractor to clear the ditches and improve drainage from Lower Woodend to Detton. There will be a further day's work in the Stonehouse area next week.

iv) Cllr Sales' Parish Hall Report. The Parish Hall Committee's solicitors Lanyon Bowdler have sent a comprehensive reply to the letter received from the solicitor of the residents of the Old Vicarage regarding the Parish Hall hedge. There are two events planned this summer at the Parish Hall – a Jubilee Lunch on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June and the Scarecrow Convention and Fete on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> July. The Committee would be happy with the Parish Council providing a smart screen for the Hall to enable interactive meetings. The Committee are starting to research how to add a storeroom onto the Hall for tables and chairs.

v) Cllr Hardy had sent a copy of the draft Parish Plan Review to everyone in advance of this meeting. It is a draft document until parishioners have had chance to review it and discuss it at the Annual Parish Meeting. The Steering Group members – Cllr Hardy, Cllr Cleford, Cllr Tomkinson and Mr Hurley had met monthly since October to review the original Parish Plan of 2014 and see whether the action points were still relevant. They believe the Parish Plan is still relevant today and that the parish is running very well. The Draft Review is a summary of the main points of the original plan with a current update.

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## 362/06 Payments

(a) Council RESOLVED to approve the following payments:

- i) Mrs D McBride – Wages (March) - £199.60 – (Cheque)
- ii) HMRC – PAYE (February) - £50.00 - (Cheque)
- iii) SALC – Councillor’s training course - £30.00 (Cheque)

There was an additional invoice received after the Agenda had been published. This payment was approved as the Environmental Maintenance Grant will cover this expected expenditure.

- iv) A P Supplies – Highway Maintenance work - £606.00 (Cheque).

## 362/07 Planning Matters

(a) Planning Decisions (For Information Only):

- i) Reference: 22/00139/FUL (validated: 12/01/2022)

Address: Detton Hall Farm, Neen Savage, Shropshire, DY14 8LW

Proposal: Conversion of existing outbuildings to ancillary dwelling for family use and alteration of pool house glazing (Alterations to 21/01992/FUL & 21/01993/LBC)

Decision: Grant Permission

- ii) Reference: 22/00140/LBC (validated: 12/01/2022)

Address: Detton Hall Farm, Neen Savage, Cleobury Mortimer, DY14 8LW

Proposal: Conversion of existing outbuildings to ancillary dwelling for family use and alteration of pool house glazing (Alterations to 21/01992/FUL & 21/01993/LBC)

Decision: Grant Permission

## 362/08 Unitary Councillors’ Reports

Unitary Councillor Simon Harris confirmed he showed Graham Downes the road from Nash to Detton via Goesland. It has been noted and the Clerk was asked to chase Graham Downes on what can be done and when the road will be brought back to a decent standard. Cllr Harris has continued to chase for an update on the Ford CIL drainage project and stated that a report is due out towards the end of April through WSP. The Clerk will ask for confirmation of this and also the Highways survey which was being undertaken. As Expressions of Interest for projects had been suspended, any future ones must be for projects in the Place Plan hence the importance of this document being accurate. A new Shropshire Council Youth Worker, Tom Neilson will be working in Cleobury Mortimer to work with disengaged young people. Cllr Harris has raised his concerns with the slow and difficult process with helping Ukrainian refugees. Cllr Sales agreed and felt that whilst there are a lot of organisations trying to arrange things it would help if Shropshire Council had a point of contact.

## 362/09 Divisional Boundary Review and Community Governance Reviews

The division boundary (unitary councillors’ areas) review will start by October 2022, followed by the parish boundary (Community Governance) reviews from October 2023. We have been advised to make our views known by Cllr Cecilia Motley, Cabinet Member for Communities by this October. Council discussed whether any changes were required to Neen Savage and unanimously agreed that the parish area and boundary is fine as it is and there is no need to make any changes. The opinion of the Council on this matter will be brought up at the Annual Parish Meeting for discussion with parishioners. If there are any differing views parishioners will be invited to make any representations to the Parish Council for consideration before submitting our formal response to Shropshire Council.

## 362/10 Community Led Parish Plan Draft Review

Council considered the Parish Plan Draft Review which had been circulated prior to the meeting. Subject to a few minor amendments Council was happy with the Draft Review and agreed for it to be publicized on the website and discussed at the Annual Parish Meeting with parishioners. Once this period of consultation has taken place the Review will be brought back to Council for final approval.

## 362/11 Parish Matters / Highways

- i) Cllr Sales commented on the recent passing of Andy Vanderhook and his many years of support in the community and time as a Parish Councillor. A card had been sent on behalf of the Parish Council.
- ii) Cllr Tomkinson informed Council that there will be invoices from him and Cllr Ratcliff for their work undertaken with the contractor as part of the Environmental Maintenance programme. The conditions of the grant state that voluntary work is not permissible for grant purposes and reluctantly the councillors will submit invoices at the next Council meeting.
- iii) The policing priorities for the next quarter are fly-tipping/littering, hare-coursing/poaching and break-ins.

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## 362/12 Future Agenda Items

Cllr Hardy had attended the recent SALC area meeting where there were presentations from Shropshire Good Food Partnership who are looking for food champions, also from the Shropshire Food Poverty Alliance. Cllr Hardy would be happy to share information from the meeting. Council agreed that it can be difficult to get support information out to those in the community who need it most.

## 362/13 Date and Time of Next Meeting

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2022 at 7.30pm at Neen Savage Parish Hall.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 9.10pm.

**It was agreed at the Parish Council Meeting (Minute Ref 363/04) that these minutes are a true record of the meeting, subject to the following corrections:-**

**Signed..... Arthur Ratcliff .....Chairman**                      **Date..... 27<sup>th</sup> April 2022 .....**