

# NEEN SAVAGE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> October 2022 at Neen Savage Parish Hall commencing at 7.30pm.

Chairman: Cllr Arthur Ratcliff.

Clerk: Mrs D McBride.

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

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the October Parish Council meeting.

368/01 To receive and accept apologies and reasons for Absence from Members

Council accepted the following apology:  
Unitary Cllr Gwilym Butler – no reason given.

368/02 Declarations of Interest

With reference to Agenda item 368/08 (a) (i) it was noted that the Parish Council is the Custodian Trustee of the Parish Hall and Cllr Sales is a Trustee of the Parish Hall.

368/03 Public Participation Session

There were no members of public present.

368/04 To confirm the Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2022

It was RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2022 be ADOPTED as a true record and signed.

368/05 Matters Arising/Clerk and Councillors' Progress Reports since the last meeting

i) Clerk's Report

Place Plan and Ford CIL Project

There is still no response from Ffion Horton regarding the Ford CIL Project or the WSP Highway reports and recommendations for the B4363.

Parish Hall

The Clerk has searched all available documents and has found a data disc with Minutes and other documents from mid-2005 until June 2013. The Minutes could be printed but would be unsigned. There are no deeds, original Trust or Conveyance Documents for any land which the Parish Council owns. MFG Solicitors have checked and do not have anything. Their recommendation is to re-apply for deeds and include a ST3 form. Council asked the Clerk to obtain a quote for anticipated time for a solicitor to check the Land Registry forms before they are submitted to try and ensure a positive outcome.

ii) CrimeWatch WhatsApp Group Report

Cllr Sales reported there had been a hare coursing incident – with another false alarm last night. A quad bike had been stolen from Farlow and driven through Neen Savage. The reporting system on this App is working well.

iii) Environmental Maintenance Report

Cllr Tomkinson has not looked at Fix My Street recently but 12 patches of road had been repaired to varying standards. Cllr Tomkinson has left a message with Mr Harman to say they are ready to start the ditching work this autumn. Mr Harman will be asked for a quote to install a new drainage pipe on Picklebatch Bank. In addition to previous tasks noted, the culvert at Goesland hollow needs cleaning out again as well as the culvert near the Ford. Cllr Harris informed the meeting that he has still not received a reply from the officer dealing with the Ford drainage project and this has been escalated to Cabinet level.

iv) Parish Hall Committee Report

Cllr Sales reported that the roadside hedge has been sided and topped to a reasonable level.

368/06 Financial Matters

i) Council resolved to approve the quarterly budget review and bank reconciliation.

ii) Council resolved to approve the six-monthly review of the Council's risk assessments.

iii) Council resolved to approve the appointment of DM Payroll Services as internal auditor for 2022-23.

iv) Council resolved to approve the renewal of the BT broadband contract for Parish Hall at £32.95 per month.

Initials.....AJR.....

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## 368/07 Payments

Council RESOLVED to approve the following payments and sign cheques:

- i) Mrs D McBride – Wages (October) - £207.20 (Cheque)
- ii) HMRC – PAYE (October) - £51.80 (Cheque)
- iii) Royal British Legion – Remembrance Wreaths - £40.00 (Cheque)
- iv) Mrs D McBride – Clerk’s Admin Expenses and reimbursements - £118.39 (Cheque)

## 368/08 Planning Matters

(a) Planning Applications:

- i) Reference: 22/04150/FUL (validated: 28/09/2022)  
Address: Neen Savage Parish Hall, Neen Savage, Cleobury Mortimer, DY14 8ER  
Proposal: Erection of extension to the existing hall  
Applicant: Neen Savage Parish Hall (Mrs Clare Ratcliff, Shunesley, Cleobury Mortimer, DY14 8LN)  
Outcome: Council RESOLVED to support the proposals whilst noting their interest as Custodian Trustee.
- ii) Reference: 22/04462/FUL (validated: 03/10/2022)  
Address: Neen House Farm, Neen Savage, Cleobury Mortimer, DY14 8JT  
Proposal: Drainage engineering works  
Applicant: Mr Mark French (Neen Farm House, Neen Savage, DY14 8JT)  
Outcome: Council felt there was not enough detailed information with this application to enable them to make an informed comment. There are ongoing concerns with the potential for pollution to the neighbouring pond and the river. It is assumed that Shropshire Council will ensure the system installed is adequate for the number of persons and that appropriate measures are put into place to prevent any overflow/pollution incidents into the nearby water courses.
- iii) Reference: 22/04601/FUL (validated: 10/10/2022)  
Address: Former Piggery At Titford, Catherton Road, Cleobury Mortimer  
Proposal: Conversion of a former piggery building (originally a cart shed) into a dwelling (Class C3), installation of package treatment plant  
Applicant: Mr Aaron Harlow (Titford, Catherton Road, DY14 0LH)  
Outcome: Council RESOLVED to support the proposals.

## 368/09 Unitary Councillors’ Reports

The Unitary Councillors had sent their monthly report which had been distributed to all councillors. Cllr Harris informed the meeting that Philip Dunne MP has a surgery at the Market Hall this week. There is information on Shropshire Council’s website regarding Cost of Living help. Christians Against Poverty have helped 30% of their clients out of debt since they started 15 months ago. Shropshire Council has been awarded a grant for EV charging points – some of which will be installed in the two car parks in Cleobury. Shropshire Council are keen to help people become more computer literate and are seeking volunteers to help run workshops in the libraries. There will be a shortfall in Shropshire Council’s finances this year which can be covered from reserves but next year could be a problem. This year the Council has saved £7m on energy due to being in a fixed-rate deal.

## 368/10 Parish Matters / Highways

- i) There were no other parish matters raised.
- ii) Cllr Sales noted there will be some surface dressing next year from the Ford to the Nethercott junction but this is not the worst bit of road.
- iii) The Remembrance Sunday event will be the same as last year. Everyone to meet at 10.50am at St Mary’s Church for a brief service. Cllr Ratcliff will lay the wreath on behalf of the Parish Council.

## 368/11 Future Agenda Items

Cllr Tomkinson will bring the environmental maintenance proposals to the next meeting. Cllr Barrett gave her apologies.

## 368/12 Date and Time of Next Meeting

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2022, 7.30pm at Neen Savage Parish Hall.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 9.25pm.

**It was agreed at the Parish Council Meeting (Minute Ref 369/04) that these minutes are a true record of the meeting, subject to the following corrections:-**

Signed.....**Arthur Ratcliff**.....Chairman Date.....**23<sup>rd</sup> November 2022**.....