**CLUNGUNFORD PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of Clungunford Parish Council - July 2021**

Clungunford Parish Council met at Clungunford Village Hall on **Wednesday 14th July 2021 at 7pm**.

**Present:** Cllr Keith Arbery; Cllr Mary Bason; Cllr Anne Gledhill; Cllr Elizabeth Lyster; Cllr Rob Rees; Cllr Jonathan Roberts; Cllr Mike Tucker.

**Attending**: County Cllr Nigel Hartin

**Clerk**: Mr Max Maxwell

**Business of the meeting**

**14. Declaration of interests**

None

**15. Apologies**

Apologies were received from Cllr Christine Tinker.

**16. To agree the minutes of the last meeting.**

These were agreed.

**17. Matters arising from the previous minutes.**

The council noted the response from Shropshire council to our letter on improving rural roads. No response has yet been received regarding the drains at ‘The Bird on the Rock’ and surrounding area.

**18. Co-option of a new councillor.**

Tricia McHaffie from Shelderton had put her name forward to fill the vacancy. This was supported by the council.

**Action**: Clerk to send welcome pack.

**19. Path connection between Clungunford and Aston on Clun.**

Following on from the discussion at the last council meeting, all three landowners whose land is crossed by the path in question were contacted and none is supportive of the idea of a permissive path. The council discussed the process of making an application to have the right of way reinstated. However, the council concluded that they would not make such an application.

**20. Planning matters.**

**A. & B.** Reports were accepted from the *ad hoc* planning committees.

**C.** The council noted recent planning decisions.

**21. Finances**

The following costs were authorised:

* Shropshire Association of Local Councils (SALC) affiliation fee - £178.97
* Heart of Wales Line Association membership 2021 - £18
* Internal audit fees (2020 & 2021) - £71.98
* Stationery (copier paper) - £20.16

**22. Correspondence**

The council accepted the suggested priorities for the policing charter, and the council agreed a response to the Police Commissioner’s Survey.

**Action**: Clerk to respond to these.

**23. Parish matters**

* The clerk updated the council on a request to place a memorial bench in Shelderton. Shropshire Council have agreed with the applicant two potential sites for the bench and it is likely that the preferred site will be by the post box in Shelderton.
* Cllr Tucker informed the council that trains now appear to be stopping at Hopton Heath.
* Cllr Lyster updated the council on the recent SALC local committee where a new chair, Jonathan Kemp, has been elected. She also sought the council’s views on participating in the ‘Green Canopy’ project to celebrate the Queen’s Diamond Jubilee next year, by planting an oak tree. The council was supportive.
* County Cllr Hartin agreed again to look at the planning application at Abcott raised at May’s meeting. He also mentioned that there have been problems with communication between Shropshire Highways and utilities companies regarding roadworks; and a full council meeting on 15th July will discuss the Local Plan.

**24. Date of next meeting**

The next meeting will be on Wednesday 8th September at 7pm at Clungunford village hall.

The meeting ended at 8pm.

**Max Maxwell**

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