CLUNGUNFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Draft Minutes

Wednesday 9th July 2025 at 7.00 pm in Clungunford Village Hall

Present: Cllr Jonathan Roberts (Chairman and Acting Clerk), Cllr Anne Gledhill, Cllr Michael Jones, Cllr Patricia McHaffie, Cllr Rob Rees

1. Apologies

Cllr Keith Arbery, Cllr Mary Bason, Cllr Christine Tinker.

2. Minutes of the last meeting

These were approved and signed by the Chairman.

3. Matters arising from the minutes

There were none other than matters elsewhere on the agenda.

4. Email from Shropshire Council re flooding issues

Shelderton issues . Shropshire Council had been asked to clear debris to improve drainage: some had been cleared by a resident. They had discussed drainage from Spring Pools with Mrs Atkins. An update had been requested.

Abcott issues - Highways had identified a broken pipe leading to the farmyard and will repair it and a hole in the road near the railway bridge. Water courses are the responsibility of the riparian owners.

Clungunford issues - The pool at Pool House, School Lane is not large enough to be covered by the Reservoir Act. The owner is responsible for it, including any leaks. Cllr McHaffie will speak to someone from the Environment Agency about it.

5. Super-fast broadband - progress report

A further meeting has been held and Openreach should be doing surveys in August or September with installation being done soon after that.

6. Parish matters

Cllr Tucker reported a large Japanese Knotweed shrub in the hedgerow between Hopton Heath and Hopton Castle (opposite a yew tree). Although strictly not in Clungunford Parish, the ability of this weed plant to spread and even undermine roads makes it a potentially serious issue. The farmer (John Williams) had been informed and it should be reported to Shropshire Council (although they are unlikely to do anything unless the road is damaged).

The pavement leading out of Clungunford by the bridge over the River Clun, is messy and potentially liable to cause slips and falls. The Council should clear it.

The 'Slow' Road sign outside Cllr Rees's house has still not been repainted.

7. Any other business

A new quote had been received from the Zurich Insurance Company. It was for £214, the same as last year, so would be paid.

8. The next meeting

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 10th September at 7pm.

The meeting finished at 19.30.