

**Clerk to the Council/RFO: J Hodgkiss**  
**Chairman: Cllr R Ruscoe**

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Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held at 7:15pm on **Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2024** in The Memorial Hall.

Present: T Clarke (TC), C Clode (CC), E Markham (EM), A Price (AP), R Ruscoe (RR) – Chair, C Shaw (CS), C Teckoe (CT), M Underwood (MU), J Whittall (JW)

In attendance: Julie Hodgkiss – Clerk (JH)

**FC1.24/25 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE**  
Apologies were received from Cllrs Ostenton and Fairclough – work commitments

**FC2.24/25 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**  
None

**FC3.24/25 PUBLIC SPEAKING/QUESTIONS AT COUNCIL MEETINGS**  
None

**FC4.24/25 MINUTES**  
**RESOLVED:** MU proposed to approve the minutes of the Annual Council held on 13<sup>th</sup> May 2024, seconded by CT and agreed by all members present.

**FC5.24/25 CHAIR'S REPORT**  
Cllr Ruscoe presented his pre-circulated report.

**FC6.24/25 SHROPSHIRE COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**  
Cllr Clarke presented his pre-circulated report.

**FC7.24/25 CLERKS REPORT**  
The Clerk presented her pre-circulated report.

**FC8.24/25 PAYMENTS AND RECEIPTS**  
**RESOLVED:** AP proposed to approve all payments and receipts, as per the attached schedule, including May 2024 salary payments, seconded by MU and agreed by all members present.

**FC9.24/25 INTERNAL AUDITORS REPORT**  
Noted.

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**FC10.24/25**

**ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT**

**RESOLVED:** CS proposed to confirm agreement with the statement of good governance with respect to the year 1 April 2023 – 31 March 2024 by 30th June 2024 (read out in turn), seconded by CT and agreed by all members present.

**F11.24/25**

**ANNUAL RETURN**

**RESOLVED:** CS proposed to confirm approval of the Annual Financial Return for the period 1 April 2023 – 31 March 2024. Public inspection notice will be published Tuesday 4th June 2024, period of inspection to run from Wednesday 5th June 2024 to Tuesday 16th July 2024, seconded by CT and agreed by all members present.

**F12.24/25**

**RECRUITMENT DOCUMENTS AND TIMELINE**

**RESOLVED:** MU proposed to approve the recruitment documents and timeline and in addition accept Finance and Personnel's recommendation to employ a temporary handyperson until the permanent post recruitment took place, seconded by AP and agreed by all members present.

**F13.24/25**

**WILDFLOWERS A49**

**RESOLVED:** MU proposed to approve new wildflower area in conjunction with Tarmac on the A49, seconded by CS and agreed by all members present.

**F14.24/25**

**SHROPSHIRE LOCAL PLAN EXAMINATION**

Members discussed the documents shared by Shropshire Council and the following points were to be fed back.

Overall - This type of consultation process is very important to a Parish Council. However, the vast majority do not have either the resources or the expertise to properly undertake the scrutiny of this volume of information and the associated documents involved. We ask that Shropshire Council consider this for future consultations of this nature and provided sufficient time for a Parish Council to procure the service of a competent person who can assist them in preparing a full and robust response. We would also request that the cost of this should be met by the Council which have instigated the consultation. We were only made aware of this consultation on 14 May and attended a briefing on 22 May with the consultation ending on 11 June we had to resolve our position as at Council on 3rd June. Less than a month. This is just not enough time to complete the process.

Housing and Employment Paper - No where in any of the documents is mention of bordering authorities. If plans are being drawn up without consideration to other authorities how can the plans be ensured not to unduly impact particular areas? There are already considerable "crunch"

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points of traffic on our major roads (if not all roads) around Shrewsbury including the M54.

Reference BAY003 – This site was considered in the Shrewsbury Place Plan Area Site Assessment published in December 2020 and was removed from the site assessment process. Nothing has changed that justifies it being included now in the current Additional Sustainability Report Published April 2024. Additionally, Bayston Hill would not be able to sustain such a development, we do not have the infrastructure available to support this potential development and it sits outside of the development boundary and it would fly in the face of Being Carbon Neutral by 2030.

**F15.24/25**

**FOOTBALL PITCH MAINTENANCE**

**RESOLVED:** CT proposed to approve a revised quote for pitch maintenance, at £9380 from D Shotton, inline with the pattern of works carried out in 2022, seconded by AP and agreed by all members present.

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