

Cressage, Harley & Sheinton Parish Council

1 MINUTES OF A PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT CRESSAGE VILLAGE HALL ON TUESDAY 10TH DECEMBER 2024 AT 7PM

In attendance: Cllrs Victoria Todd (Chairman), Colin Campbell, John Esp, Matt Murray and Rob Davies; Shropshire Councillor Claire Wild, 4 members of the public, and the Parish Clerk (Vanessa Voysey)

24.74 Chairman's welcome

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting

24.75 To note Apologies

Apologies were accepted from Cllrs Kal Parkash and Cllr Laura Christmas

24.76 To note Declarations of Pecuniary Interest or consider dispensation requests.

There were none at this time

24.77 Public session

A resident raised a question about ownership of the parking spaces by the Church and if there were two spaces available for anyone using the Church grounds. The parking spaces are not in good condition. The Parish Council does not have ownership or any responsibility. It was requested that the Parish Clerk look at the Planning Register to see if there is any further information.

24.78 Council to consider and agree the Minutes from the Parish Council Meeting held on 12th November 2024

It was resolved to accept the minutes of 12th November 2024 as a true record

24.79 Shropshire Councillor's Report

Cllr Claire Wild noted that the 30mph road sign as now been repaired.

There will be a budget consultation, this is a collaborative cross-party budget due to the financial pressures faced by Shropshire Council. It is not yet known what settlement will be offered by Central Government.

There is still no news from the Inspector about the Local Plan. There will be changes in the planning process, Angela Raynor has sent out information about it. There will be changes locally and it may be necessary to increase housing numbers.

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24.80 Planning matters:

- i. **Decisions:** There were none at this time
- ii. **Determine response to any new Planning Applications:**

The following were noted with no comment to file:

24/04342/LBC (validated: 19/11/2024)
Old Crown House , Crown Lane, Cressage
Replacement of existing lead casement windows with timber casement windows

24/04531/TCA (validated: 02/12/2024)
The Old Farmyard, Kenley
Crown reduce by 20 percent 1no. Birch, crown reduce by 20 percent 1no. Weeping Willow and fell 1no. conifer and 1no. Pear tree within Harley Conservation Area

24.81 Highways matters:

It was noted that the Kenley Road has flooded again, following the recent storm.

There is no grit bin on Gleedon Bank just outside of the Parish. Cllr Matt Murray said he would report this to Shropshire Council.

24.82 Financial matters:

- i. It was resolved to agree payment of the following invoices and charges:

Payee	Item		Amount	Date of Invoice
Clerk	Salary month 10		Tbc (£744.49)	17/12/2024
HMRC	Tax month 10		tbc (£186.20)	17/12/2024
Water Plus (direct debit)	Pavillion water		tbc (£20.23)	14/12/2024
Amazon (Clerk)	Christmas Lights		£44.99	19/11/2024
Village Life	Advert for 2025		£64	26/11/2024
Shropshire Council	Streetlights costs		£555	25/11/2024
SLB Groundcare	Monthly maintenance – December		£717.12	4/12/2024
SLB Groundcare	Additional work – cut at the Eagles		£75	4/10/2024

- ii. It was resolved to note the receipts and expenditure to end November
- iii. It was resolved to note the Bank Reconciliation to end November
- iv. It was resolved to note Spend Against Budget to end November

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24.83 Other Parish Matters –

- i. Under 11 Play Area: Two written quotes had been received by the Parish Clerk. A third company had been approached in writing twice, the Chairman had also called the company twice.

It was resolved to accept the quote from Lowthers for £1062.50 excluding V.A.T.

It was noted that at a previous meeting it had been agreed to request that the contractors SLB Groundcare be asked to expose the drainage cover in the playground to be paid at an hourly rate.

- ii. Footpaths: this item was deferred until Spring
- iii. Village Gateway: Cllr Victoria Todd reported that the process for putting a gateway in place had been explained to her in a Teams meeting with West Mercia police safety advisors. Shropshire Council has to do measurements and surveys. The gateway has to fit criteria. A list of contractors supplying gateways was promised but hasn't been received yet. Cllr Todd has contacted two companies one supplies but does not install. Some prices had been obtained. This will be followed up for the next meeting so that the Parish Council has more information.

24.85 Items for consideration at next Council meeting, not for debate or decision

Under 11s: progress on works
Village Gateway update
Verges clearance

24.86 Date & time of next Council meeting 14th January 2025 at Harley Village Hall at 7.00pm