MINUTES OF THE NASH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

HELD ON TUESDAY 8th JULY 2025 at 7.00pm

Clerk: Angela Vint Email: Nashpcclerk@gmail.com Website: nashpc.org.uk

PRESENT: Peter Stubbs (Chair), Rebecca Cashmore-Jones, James Morris, Griselda Beaumont, Lorna Yapp,

Clare Morris, Mark Beaumont

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Angela Vint (Clerk); Unitary Councillor Charles Shackerley-Bennett; PC Fern Johnson;

Mrs Maggie Wollashin, member of the public

2025/43		
	Apologies: None	
2025/44	 Public Participation: Mrs Wollashin raised the issue of large vehicles getting stuck down Shear Cross Lane, similar to the lane at Coreley off Knowle bends. There was a "No HGV's" sign on the grass triangle signpost to prevent unsuitable vehicles turning off the B4214 until the signpost snapped in last winter's storms. This has not been replaced and several large vehicles following satnav have turned down Shear Cross Lane in the absence of the warning sign, become stuck as the lane is too narrow with no turning places, and required rescuing which takes a number of hours during which time the lane is blocked completely. The councillors fully supported Mrs Wollashin's concerns, one of whom has been involved in retrieving blocked vehicles from the lane, and will raise with Shropshire Council with regards to getting a new sign erected. Cllr Shackerley-Bennett introduced himself as the new unitary councillor for Clee Ward. He invited the councillors to contact him with any issues of concern on behalf of the community and he would endeavour to attend meetings where it is felt he could assist with taking specific issues to Shropshire Council. Cllr Shackerley-Bennett sits on the pensions subcommittee, which pensions command a high proportion of Shropshire Council's income. Every effort is being made to prevent SC being placed in special measures, however 9 councils are in that category and it is forecast that 25% of all councils will be in the same position within the next 5 years. Regarding the issues the parish council has raised with the Highways Department to which no response has been received. He is to be forwarded the emails sent to Highways regarding the signage issue to take up within SC. His other interests are the environment and conservation. PC Johnson introduced herself and said that rural crime remains a priority for West Mercia Police and that now their team has increased in number they will be able to focus more on this from Sept onwards, b	Clerk Clerk PC Johnson
2023/43	None	

2025/46	Approval of Minutes:		
2023/70	It was resolved unanimously that the minutes of the council meeting held on the		
	13 th May 2025 be approved as a correct record as proposed by Cllr Stubbs and		
	seconded by Cllr C. Morris		
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2025/47			
	The Chair welcomed Cllr Shackerley-Bennet and PC Johnson and thanked		
	them for taking the time to attend		
	The Chair thanked Alan Verth and Liz Troman for their contribution as		
	councillors and welcomed Rebecca Cashmore-Jones and Lorna Yapp as		
	 new councillors co-opted to fill their vacant seats Griselda Beaumont was appointed as Vice Chair, replacing Alan Verth who 	Clerk	
	resigned after being re-elected, as proposed by Cllr Stubbs and Cllr J		
	Morris. Cllr G Beaumont to complete the "Acceptance of Office" form.		
2025/48	Clerk's Report:		
====,	AGAR submitted to external auditors and published on website along with		
	Notice of Rights		
	 Replaced Stuart Lapper with Alan Verth as signatory on the bank account. 		
	Following Alan Verth's resignation this will need to be changed again.	<u>Clerk</u>	
	Griselda Beaumont to be appointed as signatory as Vice Chair		
	 Rosta of approved auditors shrinking and SALC recommended Connor 		
	Furnival of Acord Services. Made contact re. undertaking audit from FY	Clerk	
	25/26 onwards at cost of £100. The council approved the appointment of		
	Acord Services as internal unanimously.		
	Highways contacted re Unsuitable for HGV signage at Coreley turning – no This to be reject with Highways again along with sign required.		
	response. This to be raised with Highways again, along with sign required at the Shear Cross Lane junction as raised by Mrs Wollashin and Cllr		
	Highways and contractor contacted re unsuitable/unsafe diversion routes		
	when B4214 closed at Burford. Reply received:		
	"I reassure you that the diversion route we have implemented has been		
	thoroughly checked and confirmed by Shropshire Council's Streetworks		
	team. They are responsible for advising whether a road is unsuitable or		
	if an alternative route would better serve the affected businesses and		
	residents."		
	Cllr Cashmore-Jones said her employer had raised the issue of unsuitable		
	diversions with Highways and, while they had received a response, it was		
	to say that all diversion routes are carefully planned and selected and are		
	deemed safe.		
	 Community police team contacted re. speeding past VH: they 		
	recommended for speed enforcement & passed to Police Motorbike Team		
	re time trials up Clee Hill Rd. Additional new Sergeant, Dougal Bell,		
	appointed.		
	Operation SNAP is live 24/7 and members of the public can upload		
	videos/dashcam footage via link published on PC website and community	PC Johnson	
	social media. PC Johnson was asked to look in to "Operation Snap" signage		
	for the parish.		
	 Have raised issue of training costs prohibitive for smaller councils with SALC who are looking in to this 		
	Notification received that the government has backed the reintroduction		
	of remote and hybrid council meetings, thus allowing councillors to attend		
	remotely if necessary		
	 Survey received soliciting views on future youth services provision: 		
	forwarded to Cllr G Beaumont to complete on behalf of PC as a parent		
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	 Response filed to Shropshire Council's survey on more effective working with local council's based largely on Cllr G. Beaumont's email which represented the views of councillors. Survey open until end August, so no results/feedback expected before year end. Following on from this survey, Shropshire Together Conference at Shrewsbury Town Football Club on Friday 25th July from 9am to 3pm to look at how we can develop and look to a new working relationship with Shropshire Council for the benefit of all our communities. Cost £21 per person (see agenda item 2025/49 below) 	Cllr G. Beaumont		
2025/49	Councillor Updates:			
	 Cllr G.Beaumont: Attended regional meeting 2nd July, from which the key points were: 			
	 Attended regional meeting 2nd July, from which the key points were: Uplift in housing for Shropshire is 86% year on year 6.5k houses have been granted planning permission, but have yet to be built The housing need generated is deliberately set at above requirements in order to push the cost of housing down Shropshire Council's Local Plan has been withdrawn with the green belt being reviewed and "grey belt" being introduced, although what this means is yet to be defined In the national league table of NHS Trusts' performance, Shrewsbury and Telford is ranked 116 out of 118 The "Road Ranger" initiative has been trialled and Milson and Neen Sollars Parish Council has taken on funding to deliver services including hedge and verge cutting, appointing their own contractors. It was agreed to contact them and other neighbouring parishes to see if a meeting can be convened to discuss/learn more about this. It was stated that Transport is under-resourced, carrying a number of Local Highways Officer vacancies, including for the Clee Ward It is unlikely the conference will take place on 25th July as SALC have pushed this back to Shropshire Council as being ill-defined with no clear objectives or intended outcomes. Cllr G Beaumont to step down from representing the PC on the VH Committee as Cllr Cashmore-Jones already sits on that committee, their AGM being held on 22nd July at 7pm. 	<u>Clerk</u>		
	 Cllr C.Morris: Verge at bend/junction with lane to Nash Church was only cut back slightly, leaving dangerous lack of visibility. Put on FixMyStreet with photos and the hedge was also cut. Although not perfect, after 3 attempts, visibility at the Nash Church lane corner/junction has improved. 			
2025/50	Financial Matters:			
	 Payments made since last meeting: £ 636.48 Clerk's Q1 salary £ 229.27 SALC fees £ 122.76 Insurance 			
	- Monies received: £ 0.00 -			

	- Financial Balance £ 7,382.75	
	- Approve Accounts for Payment £ 210 VH invoic	ce <u>Clerk</u>
	It was approved unanimously that the invoice for the hire of the Village Ha 25/26 be paid in full.	all for FY
2025 /54	Dispuise Applications.	
2025/51	Planning Applications:	
	Reference: 25/02217/FUL (validated: 01/07/2025) Address: Three Brooks Cottage, Nash, Tenbury Wells, Shropshire, WR1 Proposal: Erection of a lean - to building extension for agricultural stor Applicant: Mr Roger Jones`	
	Comment to be filed in support of this application	Clerk
2025/52	 Comment to be filed in support of this application Neighbourhood Plans: 	
	It was agreed to adopt the Resolution Calling on the Government to Provi Dedicated Funding for Neighbourhood Plans as below, recognising that:	de
	 Neighbourhood planning empowers local communities to shape t development and growth of their areas through the creation of Neighbourhood Plans. The preparation of Neighbourhood Plans requires significant time 	
	 expertise, and financial resources, often placing a burden on paris town councils. Neighbourhood Plans contribute to more democratic, locally infor planning decisions and support the delivery of sustainable develoaligned with community needs and aspirations. 	sh and rmed
	Therefore, it is Resolved to -	
	 Call upon His Majesty's Government to provide increased and sus funding to support the development, review, implementation and maintenance of Neighbourhood Plans. 	
	2. Request that the Government ensures funding is accessible to all communities, to promote inclusivity and fairness in the planning p	process.
	 Write to Stuart Anderson, MP and the Secretary of State for Hous Communities, and Local Government to communicate this resolut advocate for enhanced support for neighbourhood planning 	-
	Meeting closed at 19.50	
	Date of next meeting: Tuesday 9 th September 2025 7pm	