

# Munslow Parish Council

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Minutes of the meeting of Munslow Parish Council on 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2023 at Beambridge Club Room.

**Attendance:** Cllrs Barbara Archer (Chair), Nigel Dobson, David Marston, Chris Meeson, Edward Povey and Graham Williams. H Coonick (Clerk)

1. **Received and Accepted Apologies for Absence:** Cllrs Antonia Bury and Val Fotheringham. Cllr Motley (Shropshire Council).
2. **Declarations of Interest:** None
3. **Public Forum:** A member of the public enquired whether there was a local litter picking group as they had recently collected a considerable amount of litter on the B4368. Cllr Archer reported that the WI had done an occasional litter pick but there were issues with insurance for this on the B4368. The Environmental Maintenance contractor can litter pick as part of his duties but again not on the B4368. Litter can be reported to Shropshire Council on 'Fix My Street'. This issue will be put onto the agenda for the next meeting in April.
4. **Minutes of the meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2023:** Approved with a correction of spelling on item 10 and signed as a correct record by the chair.
5. **Matters Arising from those minutes that are not covered on the agenda:** Cllr Dobson reported that he had met with Janet Cobb (Restoring Shropshire Verges Project), Cllr Antonia Bury and Mr Frank Bury to look at rewilding verges. Mr Bury will provide wildflower seed for areas in Munslow and Hungerford.
6. **Urgent Items for discussion at the discretion of the Chair:** Cllr Williams reported that he had been contacted by a resident in the Rowe Lane area trying to gather a group of households and businesses in that area interested in High-Speed Broadband. The Clerk will put a piece on the Council website and Facebook page and suggest to the resident that they put an article in Corvedale News.
7. **Reports**
  - 7.1. Shropshire Council – Cllr Motley had offered her apologies.
  - 7.2. Beambridge Club Room – Cllr Dobson reported that a new front door had been installed.
  - 7.3. South Shropshire Area Committee – Cllr Archer reported that there had not been a recent meeting.
8. **Update on the installation of a Defibrillator at The School House, Munslow and application to Henry Angell-James Memorial Trust** – The electricity supply for the defibrillator cabinet has been prepared and the application to the trust will be considered by the trust within 3 weeks.
9. **Review of Environmental Maintenance and New Tasks:** The environmental maintenance contractor has continued to work on clearing drains, gullies and grids on Rowe Lane and Beambridge to Rushbury Road. The Clerk has reported to 'Fix my Street' that the road surface on Rowe Lane is very poor and the drains and grids on the Beambridge to Rushbury Road need jetting.
10. **Consider the Advice from Community Resource Regarding the Beambridge Club Room Lease:** The Millichope Foundation had contacted Cllr Povey regarding the issues raised at the last meeting. Community Resource is advising that the Parish Council should be Custodian Trustees only and the lease should be between the Club Room Committee and the Foundation.

**RESOLVED:** Cllr Povey to discuss the matter with the Foundation and agree that the Parish Council are Custodian Trustees only.

**11. Decide on Plans and Expenditure for the Coronation:** It is planned that the Beambridge Club room will be opened with a big screen showing the coronation. Financial support requests will be brought to a future meeting for consideration.

**12. Decide on the Priorities for the Policing Charter:**

**RESOLVED:** The three priorities should be a. speeding b. thefts from outbuildings c. parking at the war memorial. The contract should be renewed annually.

**13. Decide on Support for Brown Cleve Medical Practice:** A steering group is being set up to attempt to secure the long-term status of this practice. Information on the developments can be seen on the Patients Page of the Brown Cleve Medical Practice Facebook page.

**RESOLVED:** To write in support of the steering group

**14. Highways**

14.1. Update on the purchase of a Mobile Vehicle Activated Sign (VAS) – The delivery of the sign has been delayed but it is expected within the next few days.

**RESOLVED:** Cllrs Dobson and Williams will move the sign, when it is delivered, to the various sites already agreed throughout the parish on a regular basis.

14.2. Update on the B4368 Traffic Calming Report by Shropshire Council - despite emails the report has not been forthcoming.

**RESOLVED:** To write to the head of Shropshire Council Traffic Engineering to ask why the report is now almost a year overdue and express concerns from the council on behalf of residents about the issue of speeding through the parish.

**15. Finance:**

15.1. Review the Accounts, Bank Reconciliation and Budget: As of the 21/2/23 the account holds £14,816.17. After expected expenditure for the remainder of the year, holdings and reserve the carry forward is expected to be in the region of £3,819.08. There had not been a recent bank statement so a reconciliation will be completed before the next meeting.

**RESOLVED:** To accept the accounts report.

15.2. Payments: D Lewis (Environmental Maintenance) £114.75, Richard Lane (mowing of Munslow Burial Ground) £84, Clerk Reimbursement (Admin Supplies & Land Registry) £40.63, H Coonick, Clerks Pay £638.56 (Jan -March) and Travel Expenses (Aug-Feb) £40.95.

**16. Items for the Next Meeting at 7.30pm Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2023 at Beambridge Village Hall:** a. Litter picking b. coronation c. potholes d. payment for the Clerk's copy of Corvedale News.

**Signed by the Chair:**

**Date:**