

**MINUTES of THE MEETING OF EASTHOPE, SHIPTON AND STANTON LONG PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 19<sup>th</sup> March 2014 IN THE VILLAGE HALL SHIPTON AT 7.30pm**

1. **Public Session.** No members of the public were present.
  2. **Acceptance of Apologies: Apologies were accepted from Councillor Williams.** Present Councillors Taylor, Belshaw, Brown, Gibson, Seaward and Jones. Also present Shropshire Councillor Turner.
  3. **Dispensations:** None required.
  4. **Confirm the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2014.** It was RESOLVED to sign and approve the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2014.
  5. **Matters Arising: a.** Brook through Brockton. After investigation it has been confirmed that properties with the brook next to their boundary are the riparian owners and therefore responsible for the clearance of the brook. Shropshire Council has written to the relevant properties.
  6. **Shropshire Council Report:** Councillor D Turner. Shropshire Councillor Turner reported that Council tax has been frozen for the 5<sup>th</sup> consecutive year. There will be several highways to Much Wenlock will be closed or partially closed in recent weeks. A458 at Harley Bank 24<sup>th</sup> March, B4368 and Wenlock Edge Road closed and partially closed. Shropshire Councillors on the planning committee can speak but will not be able to vote on matters in their ward from now on. The IP & E Company wholly owned by Shropshire council is running successfully. So far the communications team have been moved into the company. They have secured contracts with several organisations. Further services will become part of the company. His next advice surgery will be 5<sup>th</sup> April 2014 at the Museum in Much Wenlock. Questions were then asked.
  7. **Shropshire Council Local Joint Committee:** a. the last Local Joint Committee meeting was held on 29<sup>th</sup> January 2014. Several grants were given and presentations received. There will be no grants fund in the next financial year. However future meetings have been arranged.
  8. **Roads: a.** Any new problems: The finger post at the junction in Stanton Long with the road to Leath Bank and Ditton Priors is damaged. **Clerk to report.** The small cut through between the B4368 and B3478 is in poor condition at Shipton. The drop through the hedge no longer has four traffic cones protecting it and is exposed. The road was flooded during the poor weather and a resident unblocked it the drainage needs reviewing also. **Clerk to report.**
    - b. Update from reports at the last meeting. The works carried out on the B4378 are a massive improvement Shropshire Councillor Turner will pass on the complement. All other works have been carried out reported at previous meeting.
    - c. Highways issues in Easthope. During the poor weather there was an issue with flooding after meeting the highways technician it was agreed the work can be carried out using the highway maintenance scheme.
    - d. Highway Maintenance scheme. The scheme will continue in the next financial year. Mr Knowles has agreed to continue.
  9. **Planning:** a. New Applications: a. Seen between meetings:
    - 14/00343/FUL Erection of two storey and single storey extensions Patton Grange Cottages Bourton. No objection. To be considered at the meeting
    - 14/00918/FUL 12 Leath Staton Long Erection of 2 Storey extension and detached double garage. It was RESOLVED to raise no objection to this application.**b. Decisions:** 13/04975/FUL Conversion of loft space to habitable room and associated external works. (revised proposal for previously approved scheme 13/00297/FUL Long acre Brockton. Grant full planning permission.
10. **Finance: a.** Invoices to pay: It was RESOLVED to pay the following invoices. Information Commissioners office £35.00, Mrs J Madeley £409.75 and HMRC £59.30.
  - b. Consider Grant to the Samaritans. Noted.
  - c. confirmation of change in bank signatures and consider signing up for online banking. Noted.
11. **Correspondence: a.** Road Closure for Morville Countryside Tractor Run 18<sup>th</sup> May 2014. Noted.
  - b. Clerks and Councils direct. Noted.
  - c. Option to have a copy of the up to date electoral roll. Noted.
  - d. Invitation to the launch of FREsh. Noted.
12. **Any other essential business-** Note no decisions can be made under this item. Councillor Belshaw will attend the CPRE event on 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2014.
13. **Date of next scheduled meeting Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2014 plus Annual Parish Meeting.** The meeting was declared closed at 8.50pm.
14. **A private and confidential matter.** Clerk to find out more for the next meeting about this matter.