



**MINUTES OF THE POTT SHRIGLEY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON 4TH NOVEMBER 2024**



PRESENT	Chair	Cllr. Wray
	Councillors	D Basford (Vice chair) P Boulton K Chong A Greenwood J Hadfield R Lancaster
	Parish Clerk	Mrs. J Burton
OBSERVERS		
APOLOGIES	Cllrs. Saunders and Whitaker (CEC)	

1. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 7th October 2024 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

2. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members are asked to declare any disclosable pecuniary, personal or prejudicial interests they may have in relation to items on the agenda for the meeting.

Cllr. Greenwood registered an interest in minute 4.2.

3. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION BY WARD COUNCILLORS

Modifications of pavement outside school – reason for work not starting in August – we *identified a number of underground utilities at very shallow depth. The shallowest being Openreach (BT) cables at less than 250mm below surface level. This is too shallow for us to safely install the new kerbs. We will get back to you with a further update as soon as we can.* This has now dragged on for two years and the council is not prepared to accept the vagueness of the last sentence.

Action: The Clerk will ask Cllr. Saunders find out from Jonathan what his timeline is for solving this problem.

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

4.1. Highways

Updates, completed work or new issues which have arisen since the last meeting will be noted below. Work which hasn't been completed is listed under 'Pending'.

New/Updated/Completed.

- Improvements to bend at Brookbank- response to Cllr. Lancaster – not enough points to lower speed limit, addition of more signs not viable, car park signing and Pott Shrigley gateway sign, should be provided by the Parish, missing chevron is on CEC's maintenance list.

Action: Cllr. Lancaster will contact Aki Tsakonas why there have been significant changes to what was originally agreed.

- Request to sweep pavement on Shrigley Road, prior to bonfire. Swept On 30/10/24

- Repair of verges at Norman's Hall after damage by artic. Response "*The enquiry has been assessed and does not present a risk to highway users at this time*".

- New metal fingerpost has been installed at Simpson Lane.

- The Clerk declined Arthur Ivatt's offer to relay the council's comments about the inclusion of PS in a 20mph speed trial and submitted them herself to emphasise that the scheme was not fully or wholeheartedly supported.

Pending

- Culvert under Shrigley Road outside Pott Hall.

- Remedial resurfacing of Shrigley Road from Green Close to the aqueduct.

- Collapsed wall Bakestonedale Road
- The damaged Adlington/Poynton signpost by church wall.
- Project 1421 (PAHG list) Modifications to the 'Chevron Bend'
- The broken Fence at West Park Gate car park on list for repair.

4.2. Lych Gate

The Clerk has updated the description of the state of the Lych Gate on the War Memorials website and completed the Pre-application to start the process of seeking a grant. If this goes through a full application will need to be submitted. No work can start until the grant, if one is offered, is in place and this could take months. Ian Greenwood, as requested, has agreed to extend the terms of the quote until Easter 2025.

4.3. COMPUTER BACKUP

The Clerk will back up the PC to a memory stick. Having two which are swapped is not possible as it would mean re-setting the backup configuration every month.

Action: A memory stick with a backup is to be kept in the box with the Chair's medal of office and held by the Chair. It will be updated at least every six months.

4.4. MERSEY FOREST TREE PLANTING SCHEME.

Advisor's visit – Cllr. Chong to inform when a date has been set.

4.5. SHRIGLEY, COUNTY DOWN

Chris Hagan has sent a copy of the updated history of Shrigley. The Clerk has written an article for the Christmas edition of Hotpott.

4.6. PDNP STATEMENT

The main aspirations of the parish were discussed and the original statement was amended. Having converted the pdf to Word, Cllr. Lancaster and the Clerk were able to correct all the grammatical errors in the original statement.

Action: The Clerk will forward the amended document.

4.7. CHALC AGM Thursday 17th October

Cllr. Basford attended and reported that the election of officers took place, and it was relayed that there would be a 2.6% increase in the subscription. There was no representative from Cheshire East present. The main event was a talk by a guest speaker.

4.8. DISLEY CIVIC SERVICE 27 October – Cllr. Boulton attended and found it very worthwhile.

4.9. REMEMBRANCE WREATH

The Clerk, Joyce Burton, will place the wreath on behalf of the Parish Council and the residents.

5. FINANCE

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

NatWest Current Account	£ 6,979.42
Vernon Building Society Deposit Acc.	£ 20,042.48
Petty Cash	£ 41.12
Total =	£ 27,063.02

INCOME

Map sales to Post Office	£10.20
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ACCOUNTS TO PAY

Clerk -two memory sticks	£33.96
Cllr. Basford petrol for mower	£9.54
Cllr. Basford Travelling exes Chalc AGM	£20.25 =£29.79
Poppy Wreath	£50

It was unanimously agreed to pay the above accounts.

PAY RISE

NALC has advised of a pay rise for clerks, backdated to April 2024. The backpay will be added to January's salary to avoid confusing the PAYE system. Cllr. Wray has been asked to check the Clerk's calculations.

PRECEPT

The tax base for 2025-6 is likely to be 162.17 and the last date for the precept request is Friday 17th January

Action: A spreadsheet sheet showing actual and estimated costs for this year will be circulated ready for discussion at December's meeting.

INTERIM ACCOUNTS

Cllr. Chong has agreed to audit the Clerk's accounts at 7pm on Wednesday, 20th November.

6. PLANNING**PENDING**

24/1173M Lyme View, Shrigley Road South, Pott Shrigley, SK12 1TF

Two storey rear extension and internal remodel, new front porch, canopy roof structure to the rear, existing front bay window to be modified and external building fabric to be upgraded and insulated. Revised plans submitted 04/09/2024

24/1251M (Sent to Bollington TC) Nab Quarry, Unit 1, Long Lane, Pott Shrigley, SK10 5SD

Lawful Development Certificate for proposed use of a light Industrial building as workshop or storage unit.

24/2084M 3A Moorside Cottage, Moorside Lane, Pott Shrigley, SK10 5RZ Two storey side extension to the existing dwelling.

NP/CEC/0924/0993 Dingle Side, Shrigley Road, Pott Shrigley

Variation to condition 2 on Decision Notice.

24/3155M 1, Normans Hall Mews, SHRIGLEY ROAD, POTT SHRIGLEY, SK10 5SE

Proposed demolition of garage and the construction of a new garage with workshop and storage areas on the ground floor and a first-floor home office above.

7. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED BY THE CLERK

7.1. Gareth Winstanley has advised that both sets of defibrillator pads will need replacing next year. The approximate cost is £66 per set. This will be considered when the budget is set.

7.2. The Clerk has accepted the offer of a mural/ collage of the village, painted by Pat Beal who used to live at Spuley Cottage. Dave Garton has agreed to find a place for it in the Village Hall. Bernard Selby, a former neighbour of Pat's has offered to collect it from her son in Chorley.

7.3. CEC did not accept the Community Right to Bid, an initiative to keep the Bollington and Poynton tips open. They have now closed permanently.

7.4. On behalf of the council, the Clerk has agreed to the usual distribution of the Christmas Hotpott to every household.

7.5. CHALC FREE Webinar - Unlocking AI for Parish and Town Councils: Practical Tips with ChatGPT Tuesday 19th November 1.30pm to 2.30pm. Cllrs. Lancaster, Greenwood and the Clerk are interested in taking part.

Action: The Clerk will book the places.

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**8.1. Christmas Tree**

Action: Cllr. Greenwood will order an 18 foot tree.

8.2. Cllr. Basford reported that some of the coping stones on Shrigley Road near the junction with Spuley Lane have been pushed into the stream. They need replacing before someone is encouraged to push more of them over.

8.3. Cllr. Basford is concerned about the amount of traffic using Bakestonedale Road at peak times. He reminded the council that CEC agreed to monitor the traffic travelling through the village in the first year after the Poynton Relief opened. It opened in February 2023 and there has been evidence of some monitoring strips on Shrigley Road, Brookledge Lane and

Street Lane.

Action: The Clerk will ask Cllr. Saunders to find out who is currently responsible for this, as Highways officers change frequently, so the Clerk can contact them directly and also how the Council can gain access to the data.

The next Council meeting will take place at 8pm on Monday 2nd December 2024