

Melverley Parish Council

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of **Melverley Parish Council** held at the Melverley Village Hall on **12th November 2024**

Present: Cllrs Sally Herbert-Jones, Cath Jones, Roger Jones, Cty Cllr Vince Hunt

Apologies : Richard Bowdler, Linda Bennett

24.21 Apologies as above

24.22 Council reaffirmed Declarations of Interest(s)

24.23 Public session: One member of public present Trevor Davis

- Powys and Shropshire structural engineers are meeting this week regarding the bridge. Llanynynech Bridge has a 18T weight limit and permanent repair work is being carried out this week. Llandrinio Bridge is also being closed for repair on 24th February 2025.

The Bridge

- VH reported the weight limit on Melverely Bridge cannot be raised and if requested will check if the Tractor Run has special dispensation to use the bridge. This special event raised approximately £4,000
- RJ suggested a structural survey is requested following the repair
- Now temporary repair work is complete the bridge will be monitored every 2-3 months. Total lifespan is expected to be two years
- Clerk to email a request for the original structure design when the bridge was first built
- VH is pushing for funding as the bridge is viewed as Critical Infrastructure and is the shared responsibility of Shropshire and Powys Councils

24.24 Council confirmed the minutes of the meeting on 8th October 2024

24.25 To receive updates:

- Report from Shropshire Councillor – VH has forwarded information regarding green waste and recycling. Shropshire Social Workers recently won two awards. Shopshire Council are offering grants totalling £15,000 to not for profit groups The Village Hall could benefit from this.
- John Bellis suggested Footpaths and Enforcement Departments review land at Bontain. Ditches have been dug and containers added to the land. The multi agency meeting is being rescheduled and it has been suggested that better signage is made available in the event of flooding. RJ suggested white marker poles at the sides of the roads to notify drivers of the edges. There is funding through IDB for work at Morda
- Pathway – No update
- Police report – Stuart Carroll is the Police contact, Clerk to email for next meeting

24.24.1 Financial

- i. Income – As below
- ii. Expenditure – As below

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iii. Bank Reconciliation – As below

- 24.27 Parish Matters: to discuss issues identified by Councillors and agree any related actions:
- Planning – None
 - Poor state of Roads – Kinnerley to Maesbrook. This road is not fit for purpose. Clerk to email Highways
 - No response has been received regarding the poor state of the road following maize harvest
- 24.28 Items for discussion at next meeting: (not for debate or decision)
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- 24.29 Proposed date of next meeting: **Wednesday 11th December 2024 at 7.30pm**

Meeting Closed at 20.52

Jennifer Turner, Parish Clerk – Molverley Parish Council

Accounts

Opening Balance - £4,676.46

Income None

Payments £ 255.53 (Clerk)
 £ 26.00 (Clerk – WfH)
 £ 28.20 (HMRC)
 £ 40.79 (Domain Name)

Closing Balance - £4,325.94