

Shrewley Parish Council

CLERK: MRS E CHOUDRY
CROSSWAYS, SHREWLEY COMMON
NR WARWICK
CV35 7AU

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Shrewley Parish Council held at Shrewley Village Hall on Thursday 27th August 2026 at 7pm

Present at the Meeting:

Cllr G Rollason
Cllr R Wesbury
Cllr D Lawrie
Cllr E Forty
Cllr S Underwood
Cllr H Darwen
Cllr K Galloway
WCC Cllr J Matecki
WDC Cllr K Aizlewood (left at 8.19pm)

Chair
Vice Chair

Clerk Eleanor Choudry

Members of the Public: 4

396/26 APOLOGIES WDC Cllr R Hales, WDC Cllr D Armstrong, Cllr S Lowe

397/26 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS Cllr Garry Rollason advised that he was Treasurer of the volunteer group, Keep Hatton Station Rural (KHSR). Cllr Garry Rollason's property backs on to the land in planning appeal 6006637 agenda item 401/26. The Clerk advised that she was the property owner of planning application W/26/0075 agenda item 401/26.

398/26 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: - Parish Council Meeting – Monday 6th July 2026 - approved and signed as a true record

399/26 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES None.

400/26 PUBLIC OPEN FORUM A formal complaint has been received from a resident present at the meeting regarding articulated lorries travelling at excessive weight and speed limits through Shrewley Common. Residents explained the effect the lorries and inconsiderate parking on the pavement were having on their daily lives. Concerns were also raised regarding the Shrewley tunnel and the structural damage that could be occurring. WCC Cllr Matecki will arrange a speed survey to include HGV details. The WCC Director of Highways is to be invited to the November parish council meeting. The Clerk to include an article in the newsletter asking residents not to mount the kerb when parking. Cllr Underwood will notify the Community Safety Team. A Hatton Station resident and member of KHSR gained permission from the Chair to speak under item 404/26.

401/26 PLANNING

W/26/0075 Crossways, Shrewley Common, Shrewley, Warwick, CV35 7AU SPC NO OBJECTION 8/2/26
W/26/0114 High Willows, Shaws Lane, Haseley, Warwick, CV35 7JA GRANTED 26/6/26

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W/26/0134 Caravan, Forge Farm, Nunhold Road, Shrewley, Claverdon, CV35 8FD SPC has no objection subject to WDC being satisfied with financial viability of the business.7/5/26.
W/26/0305 5 Elmdene Close, Shrewley, Warwick, CV35 8XL GRANTED 5/8/26
W/26/0745 Owl Cottage, Case Lane, Shrewley, Warwick, CV35 7JD GRANTED 27/7/26
W/26/0567 Great Pinley Farm, Nunhold Road, Shrewley, Warwick, CV35 8NB SPC has NO OBJECTION 24/6/26
W/26/0780 Durham Ox, 111 Shrewley Common, Shrewley, Warwick, CV35 7AY SPC has NO OBJECTION 30/6/26
W/26/0828 102 Shrewley Common, Shrewley, Warwick, CV35 7AW SPC has NO OBJECTION 8/7/26
W/26/0783 12 Hughes Hill, Shrewley, Warwick, CV35 7AS SPC has NO OBJECTION 21/7/26
W/26/0841 Land to south-west, Back Lane, Shrewley, Warwick, CV35 7BE SPC supports the objections already submitted by parishioners and objects to the application.5/8/26
W/26/1104 Little Owl Barn, Newlands Farm, Stoney Lane, Shrewley, Warwick, CV35 7HR SPC has NO OBJECTION 29/8/26
Appeals
6006637 Land Off, Oakdene Crescent, Shrewley, Hatton, Warwick CV35 7BN SPC OBJECTS 16/6/26 Cllrs Rollason and Wesbury will attend the hearing.

Summary of Planning Appeal 6006637

Councillors Rollason and Wesbury attended the hearing along with KHSR members and residents. A member of KHSR said the appeal hearing regarding the planning application for 28 houses was extremely disappointing and, in his view, poorly handled. The Inspector did not appear to manage the proceedings particularly well, and both WDC and WCC officers did little to effectively argue or defend their respective positions. The Case Officer, however, did a good job. The acoustics in the council chamber were so poor that residents were unable to hear what was being said. At one point, the proceedings had to stop because people could not hear properly. WDC also appeared to fail to adequately defend its position, leaving much of the case to KHSR. A document was submitted on the morning of the appeal which KHSR had not previously seen. There was then a 1½-hour lunch break while the parties worked on a Section 106 (P106) agreement. The document was only briefly discussed before comments were requested. The whole process was extremely frustrating and left residents feeling extremely angry. The way the appeal was conducted was appalling. KHSR intends to write to the Planning Inspectorate to make a formal complaint about the handling of the appeal. It was noted during the appeal that the appellant accepted that Hatton Station is not well connected. The new NPPF was published on Monday, just three days before the appeal hearing on Thursday. The appellant did not put forward any special circumstances; the main argument appeared to be that the council did not have a five-year housing land supply. We should know the Inspector's decision within the next few weeks. The Inspector also visited the field on Friday and spent approximately 40 minutes there.

402/26 WCC REPORT – WCC Cllr Matecki – No report due to summer break.

403/26 WDC REPORT – WDC Cllr Kyn Aizlewood, David Armstrong, Richard Hales – No report due to summer break.

404/26 OTHER PARISH BUSINESS

- South Warwickshire Local Plan (SWLP) – Consultation response

The consultation remains open until 8th September and KHSR are drafting their response. Since the previous circulation, further work has been undertaken. There are four documents in total: one specifically relating to Hatton, with the remaining three covering other policies and more general, non-specific matters. Cllr Darwen and Cllr Wesbury thanked Cllr Rollason and KHSR for all their excellent work on the consultation response. The Clerk will include details in the newsletter explaining how residents can submit their own comments. Cllr Aizlewood stressed the importance of ensuring that responses contain specific and relevant points rather than general objections. KHSR will also be posting updates on its WhatsApp group each day until the consultation deadline. Shrewley Parish Council confirmed its endorsement of the KHSR submission. There was also discussion about whether the Parish Council should submit a separate response. Cllr Rollason and Cllr Wesbury will meet to discuss the potential impact on the parish boundary and the implications for local transport infrastructure. Cllrs agreed to support the resolution drawn up by KHSR see Appendix 1.

- Notification of planning applications. The website has been updated and the Clerk will add the monthly list of planning applications. New regulations from 1st November will allow the Case Officer to decide planning applications of fewer than 100 houses.

- Formal complaint re excessive HGV's use on the B Road through Shrewley Common. This

item was discussed in the Open Forum agenda item 400/26. Shrewley Common is classed as a C road not a B road.

- Hatton Station defibrillator. The application for the WCC grant resulted in £350 that will provide maintenance costs for the next 5 years. The funds will be ring fenced. The Clerk to complete the grant acceptance forms.

- The Dell. This is one of 3 possible early development sites; the others are by Hatton Locks in the canal conservation area. The Estate Manager at the Hatton Estate emailed regarding maintenance works to the Dell Paddock south of Hatton Station last year and advised that this was unrelated to the promotion of land for new homes. (For information: The Dell Paddock is an area of just over 2 acres, west of Station Road and north of the M40, that was isolated from the rest of the Hatton Estate in 1989 when Station Road was realigned across the newly built motorway. In the early 1990s, part of the paddock was planted up in a nursery format with bare-rooted tree whips for use elsewhere on the estate. The remainder of the paddock became overgrown with dense bramble cover and extensive scrub encroachment.) Discussion took place regarding Tree Preservation Orders (TPO's), The Clerk to make enquiries, it is understood that the Maple tree on the site has a TPO.

- Emergency Plan. Cllr Darwen to send amendments to Cllr Forty. All Cllrs to have a copy of the completed Plan. The Village Hall Committee to give details regarding the key codes for the door and storage area for the Emergency Kit. Recent Hatton Station power cuts were mentioned.

- Provision of a Community Crime Prevention Toolbox / Visits - Rural Crime Advisor. Cllr Galloway to organise the toolbox and event, potentially at the Shrewley Village Show on the 5th September. Cllr Galloway is happy to store the Toolbox.

- Thermal Imaging Camera. The camera loan details to be added to the newsletter.

405/26 BIODIVERSITY ACTION PLAN

- Shrewley Common village green maintenance. Cllr Galloway can supply a new tree to replace the Oak tree that has not done well. The contractor to plant it.
- SWEAT report – No report.
- Item for Newsletter. Cllr Darwen to send details to the Clerk for the newsletter regarding bird feeding and hedge cutting.

406/26 ONGOING ACTION ITEM

- Statutory publication of documents on website. The following documents had been updated on the website: minutes; July newsletter; Fixed Assets; Planning List; Station Rd closure; Fiveways road closure; views requested on WDC's housing/homeless strategy.

407/26 HIGHWAY AND PUBLIC FOOTPATH/TOWPATH MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR

- WCC Fault Reporting System: Register to track and report highway problems
- Highways fault report
VAS by Barn Close Nurseries – The VAS is now working.
- Footpath fault report. Cllr Darwen requested Cllr Matecki chase up the blocked public right of way by the motorway fields.

408/26 CORRESPONDENCE – Comments, questions, actions in connection with July and August correspondence which has been previously circulated. Cllr Rollason contacted the Community Flooding Team, no acknowledgement had been received. Cllr Rollason to chase and Cllr Wesbury and Cllr Forty confirmed that they could attend a meeting to discuss flooding issues.

409/26 VILLAGE HALL UPDATE

- CIL Grant for extension. The Clerk to chase the updated Grant Application form, once received the agreed payment of £5250 will be paid to the village hall towards the refurbishment. The CIL funding received by the parish council has now all been spent.
- Complaints re BT pole. The Clerk to contact the Village Hall Committee Chair to ask about the progress of re-siting the pole.

410/26 MEETINGS ATTENDED BY COUNCILLORS – Cllr Galloway is to attend the WALC Councillor Foundations course on the 10th September.

411/26 GOVERNANCE – To be discussed at November's meeting.

412/26 FINANCE

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- 412.1 The two councillors that authorise the online monthly payments to be named in the minutes. Cllr Rollason and Cllr Wesbury authorised the July payments
- 412.2 Quarterly finance checks and budget monitoring. Cllr Forty to carry out the quarterly checks.
- 412.3 Bank Reconciliation as at 31st July 2026. Page 4. To be noted.
- 412.4 Permission for items listed below to be paid to be agreed: unanimously approved. The Clerk to have receipt of the amended Grant Application Form prior to making payment to the Village Hall Committee.

42	31.08.2026	£5,250.00	£0.00	£5,250.00	CIL Funding balance paid to Village Hall	Shrewley Village Hall
41	31.08.2026	£45.00	£0.00	£45.00	Grounds maintenance	The Cut Lawns and Hedges
40	31.08.2026	£45.00	£0.00	£45.00	Grounds maintenance	The Cut Lawns and Hedges
39	31.08.2026	£45.00	£0.00	£45.00	Grounds maintenance	The Cut Lawns and Hedges
38	31.08.2026	£45.00	£0.00	£45.00	Grounds maintenance	The Cut Lawns and Hedges
37	31.08.2026	£45.00	£0.00	£45.00	Grounds maintenance	The Cut Lawns and Hedges
36	31.08.2026	£24.00	£4.80	£28.80	Scribe monthly fee	Starboard Systems Ltd t/s Scribe Accounts
35	31.08.2026	£24.00	£4.80	£28.80	Scribe monthly fee	Starboard Systems Ltd t/s Scribe Accounts
34	31.08.2026	£85.99	£0.00	£85.99	Internet Security - Reimburse Clerk	Eleanor Choudry
33	31.08.2026				Employers NI	HMRC
32	31.08.2026				PAYE	HMRC
31	31.08.2026				Salaries	Salaries
30	31.07.2026	£7.00	£0.00	£7.00	Bank Charge	Unity Trust Bank

394/26. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Monday November 2nd

395/26. CLOSURE OF MEETING – The meeting closed at 9pm.

2027 Dates:-

Monday January 4th

Monday March 1st

Tuesday May 4th – Annual Assembly followed by Annual Parish Meeting

Monday July 5th

Monday September 6th

Monday November 1st

Start time 7pm except Tuesday 4th May which will start at 7.15pm

Signed.....(Chair)

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Shrewley Parish Council

Prepared by: _____ Date: _____
Name and Role (Clerk/RFO etc)

Approved by: _____ Date: _____
Name and Role (RFO/Chair of Finance etc)

A	Bank Reconciliation at 31/07/2026		
	Cash in Hand 01/04/2026		15,110.80
	ADD Receipts 01/04/2026 - 31/07/2026		5,952.45
	SUBTRACT Payments 01/04/2026 - 31/07/2026		21,063.25
			4,889.96
	Cash in Hand 31/07/2026 (per Cash Book)		16,173.29
B	Cash in hand per Bank Statements		
	Petty Cash 31/07/2026	0.00	
	Unity Trust Current Account 31/07/2026	11,016.84	
	Unity Trust Instant Access Account 31/07/2026	5,156.45	
	Lloyds Bank 232410 31/07/2026	0.00	
	Lloyds Bank 00230140 31/07/2026	0.00	
			16,173.29
	Less unrepresented payments		
			16,173.29
	Plus unrepresented receipts		
	Adjusted Bank Balance		16,173.29
	A = B Checks out OK		

Appendix 1

Parish Council Resolution

The Parish Council notes that the Parish of Shrewley which, as at the last census, comprises 357 homes and that the Parish Council represents approximately 894 constituents.
The Parish Council notes that:

1. A parish meeting was held on 8 June 2026 at which the outline South Warwickshire Local Plan (SWLP) Regulation 19 representations from Keep Hatton Station Rural (KHSR) were discussed.
2. All households in the Parish received a flyer advertising the meeting which was also advertised on the Parish Council and KHSR websites.
3. No attendees expressed support for the proposed Hatton New Settlement in the SWLP, and many spoke against the proposal.
4. Residents had a further opportunity to raise any issues with the draft SWLP at the Council's meetings on 6 July 2026 and 27 August 2026 which were attended by a KHSR representative.
5. No correspondence has been received from residents expressing support for the proposals in the SWLP.
6. The deadline for submitting representations is 8 September 2026.

The Parish Council has considered the issues raised by residents and has debated its own concerns about the effect of the SWLP on the loss of settlement identity and the rural character of the Parish and on the area's infrastructure.

Having reviewed the draft Regulation 19 representations of KHSR and having discussed these with members of that group, the Parish Council RESOLVES to:

1. Support the representations KHSR make in respect of the SWLP and authorises the Chairman to agree the final KHSR representation.
2. Submit its own representation about the impact on the identity and rural nature of the Parish and on infrastructure and authorises the Chairman and Vice Chairman to agree a suitable representation.
3. Authorises the Clerk to submit a Regulation 19 representation:
 - a) supporting the KHSR submission, and
 - b) detailing the Council's concerns.

Signed.....(Chair)

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