

## PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

The November Council meeting was held in Harmer Hill Village Hall when Members were joined by three residents who raised several actions they wanted to see undertaken in Harmer Hill. These included ensuring that Shropshire Council took legal action to have the long-awaited pavement installed from Shotton Lane to the entrance of the Bridgewater Estate and a reduction of the speed limit from 40 to 30 mph on Wem Road. Other items included a request for additional streetlights on Shotton Lane together with an extension of the 40mph speed limit.

It was pointed out that Shropshire Council had already started legal action over the footpath and that the Parish Council had asked Shropshire Council and the Police to review the speed limit on Wem Road.

Members agreed to consider the requests for Shotton Lane and seek advice and estimated costs which would be considered in detail at the next Council meeting.

The full meeting followed and a range of items were considered including:

### Traffic and Transport:

A Road Safety Meeting had been held with the Shropshire Council's Highways Safety Officer and the Chairman confirmed that the Officer was considering the issues raised and would be reporting back. The main items considered were:

1. Safety Measures for Myddle School.
2. Up-date on the introduction of the 40mph speed limit and additional signing on Ellesmere Road at the junction with Newton Road, Harmer Hill.
3. Review of Parish speed limits on Wem Road and a section of the Ellesmere Road at Myddle.
4. Approval for installing the proposed VAS signal on Ellesmere Road, Harmer Hill and
5. Concerns raised by residents regarding speeding traffic on Baschurch Road, Myddle with suggested methods of control.

### Finance and Audit:

The external auditor's report, which indicated no concerns over the financial and overall management of the Council, was considered and adopted and a mid-year financial statement was also tabled and approved.

### Outdoor Fitness Equipment:

Following a request at the Annual Parish Meeting for some provision, a suitable site had been identified on Myddle Playing Field but as yet no site has been identified in Harmer Hill.

Members had been forwarded details of the range and price of various items of equipment and it appeared that installing a set of about eight pieces of equipment would cost in the region of £10,600 (+VAT) at each site

Attempts are being made to see how well this type of provision is being used in other small Parishes and to try and identify if there is sufficient local demand, so it was decided to postpone any further discussion until the January meeting.

### Planning:

Eight planning applications had been received for consideration and the only one that raised concern was further hangar development at Sleaf Airfield. It was understood that there were no legitimate reasons for objecting to it but a response was sent pointing out the number of concerns and complaints received from local residents about the increasing number of low flying aircraft using the airfield.

Web Site:

As always the full minutes of the meeting can be found on the Council's web site [www.myddleandbroughton-pc.gov.uk](http://www.myddleandbroughton-pc.gov.uk) and if you would like to comment on any of the issues please contact the Clerk at [myddlebroughtonclerk@talktalk.net](mailto:myddlebroughtonclerk@talktalk.net) or on 01743 236810

The next Council meeting is in Myddle Village Hall on January 5<sup>th</sup>. 2022 at 7.30 pm.