

MYNDTOWN COMBINED PARISH COUNCIL
Grouping: MYNDTOWN, NORBURY, RATLINGHOPE & WENTNOR Parishes.

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF 8TH JULY 2025

Present: P Owen, P Rogers-Coltman, S Edwards, M Sankey, T Jones, R Lancaster

In Attendance: Cllr Rep' R H (Left after item 3a)

1. Apologies: MU (Away working) NP (Away working) SG (Holiday) TB (No transport) Apologies Accepted & **Resolved**

2. Minutes of: 13.5.25

Agreed & Signed. **Resolved**

3. Declarations of Interest/DPI: SE under 12i

3.(a) Cllr Rep Report: # The Local Plan - new details forthcoming. # There is currently a vaccination drive. # Homepoint for Social Housing is under review re Local Connection stipulations. # Still no development in the Clun River catchment area until 2030. # Highways – a new in-house pothole team has been appointed. # SC has 600k in reserves with council tax capped at 5% increase to raise future funds. # Adult & Childrens Social Care – Due to escalating costs, a Foster Caring programme has been developed to cope with increasing numbers. # Shrewsbury Park & Ride service is free and runs every 12 mins.

4. Matters Arising:

- Thanks Received from NVH for 10th Anni' donation
- Land Registry Update: LT Attested the application with Green's Solicitors of Ludlow on 19.5.25. Cost £23 + £7.65 travel, Also transferred £58.50 for Commons Searches on 30.5.25. £89.15 to be reimbursed to LT.
- Civility & Respect Certificate Received – Signed by PO
- PR-C & RL to complete AOO Forms. RL to complete DPI & COC Forms **Completed & Resolved**
- Conversion to Barclays IT banking: Due to having a number of signatories on the account, Barclays will not offer an IT service. LT had spoken with HSBC who have different rules. The IT banking service on the parish meeting account can continue as before if the parish council wish to transfer all the monies from the Barclays account to the Parish Meeting account and changed in name to MCPC. HSBC have also removed the £8 monthly management fee from 1st July. P) SE S) TJ, AIF to request an account closure form from Barclays to transfer all funds to HSBC.

4.a. Election of Vice Chair: MU agrees to re-stand. AOO Form tbc **Deferred**

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5. Finance:

Statement of Funds as at 10/6/25: Community Acc-£12,708.32 B/P Acc-£2,758.81 (+ £9.14 June Int)
Allocated out of combined accounts for 2025/26: £2k Land Registry Costs, £1000 PM Budget, De-Fib Maintenance Remaining Budget £566.29, NF Available: £4,099.77 (Earmarked for carpark) £6k+ allocated for parking improvements at Norbury CP School. £13,836 is allocated from the £15+k funds. LG Act 1972, S.137(4a) Limit for donations per elector per parish for 2025/26 is £11.10. Yearly Honorary Payments due each May: Village Hall Premises Licence £70 & Toddlers PL Insurance £100

(a) Donation/Funding/NF Grant Requests:

- None

(b) Payments, Standing Orders & D/D:

- L.Thomas-£180, 2.6.25 so
- L.Thomas-£180, 1.7.25 so
- SC/JES-£180.77 (VAT Value £30.13) DD

(c) Cheques for Approval/Payment:

- L.Thomas-£89.15 c/n: 881
- Onnytech Ltd, Laptop purchase -£755.69 c/n: 882

6. Housing & Building Control: **Bold** Type to be read as Updates. Newest applications listed first.

- 25/01945/F- Holiday cabin @ Nr Gatten Fm, R'hope. Response by 10.7.25. To submit N/O due to its siting, adjacent to other approved holiday accommodation for the Fisheries business. However, it was **Agreed** to comment that the authority should note there is already significant development on the Near Gatten site, both approved and unapproved and other applications for 'pods' within the area have previously been refused.
- 25/02024/AGR Erection of portal framed roof over existing silage clamp @ Brow Farm, Ny. FIO

7. Village Hall:

- NTR

8. Parish Plan & Environment:

- NTR

9. Roads:

- Road Closure: 25th - 26th July. Medlicott to Portway Junction
 - Road Closure: 21st - 24th Oct. P'batch to Longden Common, Tues-Fri, 9.30am-4pm
- {Road reports www.fixmystreet.com/reports/shropshire

10. Communication/Correspondence:

- The (Shrewsbury) NWR road has been suspended due to spiralling costs
[website address www.myndtown.org.uk Police non-emergency number is **101**. Call **111** for non-emergency medical advice. Call **112** from a mobile phone to report rural accidents/emergencies.

11. Shropshire Councillor Representative Report:

- Under 3.a. Above

12. Other Items/Public Session:

- A member of the public had requested SE to raise a planning query. SE explained it was thought a building has been converted for living accommodation @ The Brow, Ny. SE then left the room and took no part in any discussion. LT has received no notification of a planning application or that it is considered Permitted Development by the local authority. **Agreed:** P R-C will contact the owner of The Brow to get confirmation that planning advice was sought before the conversion. SE re-entered the room.
- **Myndtown Parish Meeting:** Bank Balances at 19/6/25. Community Acc: £447.16 (+ £224.56 Ferneylea Farm Ltd Land Rent & water rates in arrears & £235 rebate for FiPL Materials not used, Less £3550 FiPL Fencing charges & £16 Acc charges) BMM Acc: £641.17 (+ 4.68 Int). HSBC are removing the £8 monthly Acc fee from 1.7.25
- Waterplus: 30.5.25-£13.45 (E) 1.7.25-£13.72 (E)
- FiPL Grant Update: All work has been completed and all invoices paid
- If a Parish Council is in existence as the legal authority, then a parish meeting does not have a legal right to administer their lands or monies. The present system has been unlawful for a considerable time. The parish meeting recognises that Myndtown parish land is owned by this council which once finalised, the current Land Registry application will confirm. There is no legal reason for the two accounts to continue separately. After Discussion it was Proposed by MS & Seconded by TJ and AIF To transfer the parish meeting accounts to MCPC.

Meeting Dates:

2025: 2nd Sept & 4th Nov

2026: 13th Jan, 10th March, 14th April – APM's, 12th May – AM, 7th July, 8th Sept & 3rd Nov