



# Church Stretton

Town Council

## Minutes of the Strategy Committee Meeting held in the Silvester Horne Institute, Church Stretton on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2022 at 2.00p.m.

**Present:** Councillors: Cllr J Luck (Chair), Cllr A Munro (Ex-Officio)

**In attendance:** Officers: Mrs G Bailey (Locum Town Clerk and RFO), Mrs H Merrett (Admin), Cllr B Welch  
Members of the Public: **None**

**SC.12 Welcome**

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**SC.13 Apologies**

These were received and accepted from Cllr G Lewis, Cllr S Davies & Cllr H Stowell, Mr J Bunce

**SC.14 Disclosable Pecuniary Interests**

None

**SC.15 Public Questions**

None

**SC.16 Minutes**

Meeting was not quorate so this item was deferred to the next Strategy meeting

**SC.17 Mr Jim Bunce**

Mr Bunce is now officially on the Strategy team but was absent from this meeting so his Welcome was deferred to the next Strategy meeting.

**SC.18 Draft Empty Homes Strategy 2022-2025**

Councillors received the Draft Empty Homes Strategy 2022-2025 report and considered action. Cllr Luck agreed to compose a response email, circulate it to the Strategy Committee for comment and then send it to Shropshire Council.

**SC19 Additional polling station at All Stretton Village Hall**

To consider a proposal for an additional polling station for Church Stretton Parish at All Stretton Village Hall

As the meeting was not quorate this item was deferred to an interval in the Public Realm committee meeting this evening when Strategy Committee members would be available.

**SC.20 Community Emergency Plan**

Councillors discussed the purchase of Emergency Generators for the SHI and Mayfair and decided that more research was needed before bringing this back to a future meeting.

**SC.21 Housing Needs Survey**

Councillors received a verbal update on the progress of the Housing Needs Survey. The report is virtually complete and should be available to the Full Council meeting on 27<sup>th</sup> September 2022.

**SC.22 Shropshire Local Plan 2016-2038**

Councillors received a verbal update on the draft Shropshire Local Plan 2016-2038 and discussed progress. There is good evidence-based data from the Housing Needs Survey. A new update from Shropshire Council is due on 12<sup>th</sup> September and this will be available for the Full Council meeting on 27<sup>th</sup> September.

A Neighbourhood Plan should be created from a combination of the Local Plan and the Housing Needs Survey.

**SC.23 Date of next meeting – Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2022 at 2.00p.m.**

There being no further business the formal meeting was suspended at: 3.16pm

There was discussion on how to develop a 5-year plan, probably by Chairs of the Committees plus Cllr Welch initially – by mid-October 2022. This needs to be prioritised and others can add items over time.

The Chair also requested the addition of Standing Items on **Shropshire Local Plan** and **Neighbourhood Plan** to future Agendas, along with an item on what should be upcoming in future meetings.

Committee re-convened at 6.50pm. Cllr Davies was now present.

**SC.24 Additional polling station at All Stretton Village Hall**

Councillors considered a proposal for an additional polling station for Church Stretton Parish at All Stretton Village Hall. It was proposed by Cllr Munro, seconded by Cllr Davis and **RESOLVED** unanimously to recommend All Stretton Village Hall as a Polling Station location for elections at an additional cost of £559 plus costs for election paperwork.

Meeting closed at 6.52 pm

Signed by ..... Date .....

Chair of Church Stretton Town Council Strategy Committee as a true and accurate record of the meeting

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