ACTON TRUSSELL, BEDNALL & TEDDESLEY HAY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON Wednesday 15th July 2026
at 8.00 pm in the Parish Community Centre

Present A Thompson (Chair**),** , D Marsden, T Williams,B Wyatt
No members of the public D Cllr A Adams in attendance Clerk D W Wright

Apologies CCllr C Humphreyson, S Calvert C Evans, T Parrott B Dellicompagni

26.78 No public session due to absence of public

26.79 Declarations of interest:
None.

26.80 Minutes
The minutes of the meeting of 17th Juney l had been circulated previously. The minutes were approved and signed by the Chairman.

26.81 Matters Arising
Bednall Car Park.
Bore holes have been made to determine position of gas pipe.but not at an appropriate It does look as if the gas pipe meets the Highways specification but Highways are still thinking of further work at the entrance to the carpark and also at the entrance to the affordable housing. The Pariosh Council feels it should now start the maintenance of the carpark although it has not been taken over yet. Ditton Services have been asked to add this to their schedule of works in the villages.
Neighbourhood Plan. 14th July to discuss Highways and the Neighbourhood Plan.. Public meetings will be held every 4 – 6 weeks with the working group meeting before them to prepare for the meeting. The Highways Department representatives were subject to intensive questioning. Next meeting in September.

District Plan
SSDC have put out documents for consultation showing some minor amendment but they are still awaiting approval from the Inspectorate. They are already starting to consider a new plan and have put out a preliminary request for possible sites. This will take account of the Governments policy for much more housebuilding. We need to identify areas in the Parish such as greenspaces that we want to preserve and protect. Any areas that the villagers think might be suitable for small developments. Several have already been identified but we need community agreement.

26.82 County Councillors Report. No Report

26.83 District Councillors Report Cllr A Adams xxx
The government decision on the reorganization of local councils in Staffordshire is imminent but the number of Councillors is likely to be reduced. The draft local plan has not yet been approved. An Emerging Local Plan for SSDC has requested suggested sites for consideration. An application has been made to the Community Fund for up to £10,000 for improvements to the changing rooms at the Cerntre.. A new fund of well being of the 65+ is available with grants up to £1000. An application will be made to provide low impact exercise sessions hosted by the BATTH Social Committee.

26.84 Parish Plan
a) Community Centre & Recreation Field. Awaiting a response from the Trustees of the Community Centre regarding the Memorandum of Understanding.

b) Website & Communication.

c) Environment and Climate Change.
A Public Emergency briefing on Climate Change was held last week and attended by the Chairman..

d) Highways.
. Mill Lane pothole repairs are taking a longtime and road closures without adequate warning are unsatisfactory. The website gives a update list of Highways matters. The Parish Council is chading Highways regularly and does get a good response from their staff.

26.85 Finance

a) The accounts for the year up to 15th July were presented. The Investment account is currently £30,228.62. The Current account cashbook balance was £23,670.18

b) Payment had been made between meetings for

Ditton Services -grass July 2026 Standing Order	*£ 907.00*
DemonPrint -posters for Public meeting	*£ 71.50*

c) The following cheques were agreed for payment.

Clerks salary –(less tax) July 2026	£	386.40
National Insurance	£	9,90
Inland Revenue (PAYE)	£	96.60
Total	£	492.90

Effective Cashbook balance £ 23,177.28

26.86 Planning

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The following applications are under consideration

26/00469/LHSHLD Moat Meadow Lower Penkridge Road Acton Trussell
Single storey extension

26/00237/FUL Mount Pleasant Farmhouse Wolverhampton Road Acton Gate
Residential development for 2no dwellings and associated works

25/01116/FUL Springslade Works Cannock Road Bednall
Proposed change of use to class F© and installation of 4no. outdoor padel courts

26.87 Correspondence
Responses to Freedom of Information requests.
A request to provide a flagpole by the Kings memorial bench has been received. The Parish Council was uncertain and suggested that a survey of residents should be undertaken.
A request for replacement Defibrillator pads and a replacement for a unit in Bednall was received. Although the units in Bednall is not provided by the Parish Council, it was agreed that the Parish Council should fund such items for any of the Defibrillator units in the Parish.

26.88 Risks Potholes, Hedges, footpath surfaces and drains.

26.89 Next meeting

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday19h August 2026 at 8.00pm in the Parish Community Centre.

The meeting was closed at 9.15 pm