

## Shropshire Group

Minutes of the 467<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Shropshire Group held at Haughton Hall Hotel, Shifnal, on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2025 commencing at 7.35pm.

### Present

In the Chair Mr. I. Jarrett (IJ)  
 Secretary Mrs. A. Barnwell (AB)  
 Treasurer Mrs. L. Tenan (LT)  
 Committee Members: Mr. B. Boaden (BB), Mr. G. Searson (GS), Mr. R. Barnwell (RB)

**467/1.** Apologies for Absence  
 All committee members present.

**467/2.** Minutes from the 466<sup>th</sup> meeting  
 The minutes were agreed and signed off.

**467/3.** Matters Arising  
 There were no matters arising.

### 467/4. Correspondence

a) The following is a full list of correspondence received and forwarded to Committee members or raised at the meeting indicated, as appropriate:

Received	Title	Forwarded
17.12.24	To our Club volunteers, our Club Council and to our Governors	21.12.24
20.12.24	Member Communities Communiqué	20.12.24
6.2.25	2025 Boundless Volunteer Survey	To be completed

b) The following is a list of communications with those indicated:

Date	Title	Reason	From/To
23.11.24	Shropshire Group – Recognising Volunteers	Receipt of allocation	To K. Crichton
6.1.25	Shropshire Group – Promotional email	Request promotional email	To K. Crichton

AB reported that a promotional email had been requested on 6.1.25, but there had been no response from Brighton. A reminder would be sent.

AB reported that an email had been received for a Volunteer survey. The topic and possible responses were discussed, particularly the missed opportunities at the Jodrell Bank event. AB to complete the survey in the next few days.

### 467/5. Newsletter

BB continued to issue the Forthcoming Events each month, and to add any new members to the circulation.

### 467/6. Competition Matters

IJ reported that there had been no meeting of the Association of West Midlands Motor Clubs, the next one being 4.3.25. Currently, all forest rallying in Wales is suspended until at least the end of March due to Storm Éowyn and subsequent bad weather. Other rallies may also be affected by the weather.

### 467/7. Review of Activities

#### a) Past Events

Date	Event	Venue	Attendance	Comments
<b>2024</b>				
4.12.24	Annual Quiz – Alan Cartwright	HHH	17 members 5 partners 2 guest	The usual evening of mental challenges and forgotten facts! A good time was had by all.

#### b) Future Events

Date	Event	Venue c=confirmed	Description	Organiser
<b>2025</b>				
12.2.25 7.30pm	Gizmos & Gadgets – Kath Reynolds	HHH - c	Reflecting on those 'must have' latest creations from K-Tel, Ronco, Pifco, etc. that you just had to have but most were pretty useless!	AB
12.3.25 7.30pm	It's Not Just Iron – Kate Cadman	HHH – c	There's a lot more to the industries in and around the Ironbridge Gorge than just the iron.	LT
21.3.25 11am	W. Midland Air Ambulance visit – Carl Williams	By RAF Cosford - c	Visit the Air Ambulance HQ to see their activities, the helicopter and present cheque.	AB

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Date	Event	Venue c=confirmed	Description	Organiser
9.4.25 7.30pm	AGM + Living with an Electric Car – Roger Davis	HHH – c	After the business, Roger returns to tell about his experiences using his electric car	AB
14.5.25 7.30pm	Into The Shadows – Chris Austin	HHH - c	A personal history of The Shadows and their music	AB
11.6.25 7.30pm	Life & Times of Patrick Lichfield – Judith Hubble	HHH - c	Hear about the life and times of Patrick Lichfield, 5 <sup>th</sup> Earl of Lichfield	AB
9.7.25 7.30pm	Treasure Hunt in Shifnal	???	Walking treasure hunt around Shifnal	IJ
10.9.25 7pm	By River & Sea – Mark Sisson	HHH – c	Mark returns from his world-wide travels to stun us with his fantastic pictures of wildlife; this time by rivers and seas. It should be a good night.	BB
8.10.25 7.30pm	What's in a Word? – Alan Lewis	HHH - c	Discover the origin of some everyday words and phrases	AB
12.11.25 7.30pm	Shropshire Seasons from the Skies – Ric Morris	HHH – c	A different view of Shropshire, in all seasons	BB
10.12.25 7.30pm	Annual Quiz – Alan Cartwright	Norbury Village Hall – tbc ST20 0PA	The annual quiz, where we all find out how much we don't know	AB

AB reported that the details of the visit to the W. Midland Air Ambulance HQ had been finalised, and the first 16 applicants for the trip had been notified. As the event was over-subscribed, it is hoped that another visit can be arranged for later in the year.

Other events to be investigated:-

- Thai food night – AB/IJ
- Archaeology from the skies by Andy Wigley – AB
- Shropshire Wildlife – BB
- English Heritage re Wroxeter or Boscobel House – LT
- Evening event at Wappenshall Junction – AB
- BIFOR talk – AB
- Speaker in Wirral – IJ.

### 467/8. Accounts

LT presented the accounts from the date of the previous meeting (as no accounts had been available due to sick PC) to today. An imprest of £1000 was agreed. The allocation of the Charity Money was agreed as £250 for Alzheimer's Research UK, with £450 to WM Air Ambulance, which will be presented on 21.3.25.

#### STATEMENT OF INCOME & EXPENDITURE - 15.9.24 to 10.2.25

Date	Transaction	Status	Value £	Balance £
		2025 Budget		3200.00
	Cleared Imprest			
	<b>Budget Remaining</b>			<b>3200.00</b>
	Bank Balance		1381.45	
	Cash Tin		104.45	
	<b>Total Monies Held</b>			<b>1485.90</b>
	Of which Charity		732.00	
	Volunteer Reward			
	<b>Total Funds Available to Group</b>			<b>753.90</b>

#### BANK ACCOUNT - reflecting committed expenditure

Date	Transaction	Status	Value £	Balance £
-		Start of period		2156.85
16.9.24	HH committee meeting		-99.00	2057.85
10.10.24	Bank charges		-5.40	2052.45
10.10.24	HH room hire, event		-141.00	1911.45
10.10.24	Speaker fee		-90.00	1821.45
9.11.24	Bank charges		-5.00	1816.45
16.11.24	Speaker fee		-120.00	1696.45
19.11.24	HH committee meeting + event		-240.00	1456.45
7.12.24	Norbury Hall hire		-60.00	1396.45

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10.12.24	Bank charges	-5.00	1391.45
9.1.25	Bank charges	-5.00	1386.45
9.2.25	Bank charges	-5.00	1381.45

End of period	-775.40	1381.45
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### CASH TIN

Date	Transaction	Status	Value £	Balance £
-		Start of period		112.45
6.9.24	Committee travel expenses		-31.50	80.95
19.11.24	Committee travel expenses		-31.50	49.45
4.12.24	Quiz raffle and entry fees		55.00	135.95
		End of period	-8.00	104.45

L Tenan, Treasurer.
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#### 467/9. Dates of Next Meetings

It was agreed that the Committee meal would be at The Sutherland, Muxton, AB to book

Date	Day	Start	Venue c=confirmed	Purpose
3.3.25	Monday	Tba	The Sutherland	Committee meal
28.4.25	Monday	7.30pm	HHH – c	Committee meeting
30.6.25	Monday	7.30pm	HHH – c	Committee meeting
15.9.25	Monday	7.30pm	HHH – c	Committee meeting
17.11.25	Monday	7.30pm	HHH – c	Committee meeting

#### 467/10. AOB

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.55pm. These minutes are a true record of the 467<sup>th</sup> meeting of Shropshire Group.

Signed:

Chairman's name:

Date: