Shirland and Higham Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting

held at Shirland Village Hall on Thursday 20 January 2022 at 6.30pm

Councillors Present: Cllr Anne Brown (Chair), Cllr Peter Allsop, Cllr John Epton, Cllr Guy Liggett, Cllr Heather Liggett, Cllr Allistair Lomax, Cllr Geoff Mather, Cllr Mike Roe and Cllr David Williamson.

In Attendance: Helen Dowson (Clerk & RFO), Cllr Charlotte Cupit and three members of the public.

01/01/22 To consider accepting apologies for absence:

Apologies received and accepted from Cllr B Barnes, Cllr M Green and Cllr S Smith.

02/01/22 To Record Declarations of Interest from members on any items to be discussed:

Cllr J Epton and Cllr D Williamson–Fidler and Laverack Trustees item 14.

03/01/22 To receive and approve requests for dispensations from members on matters in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest:

None.

04/01/22 To determine if any item on the agenda should be taken with the public excluded:

None.

05/01/22 To consider for approval the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 18th November 2021:

Cllr M Roe proposed, Cllr G Mather seconded and it was unanimously agreed that the minutes be approved.

06/01/22 Residents or public questions/comments (A period of not more than 15 minutes is allocated for members of the public and councillors to comment on any matter relating to the Parish):

A representative from the Save our Countryside Action Group spoke about the work of the group and its objectives. Cllr A Brown thanked the gentleman for attending the meeting. Cllr J Epton asked about plans for the Jubilee celebrations and it was agreed to add this to the agenda for the next meeting.

Cllr G Liggett and Cllr H Liggett joined the meeting at 6.47pm.

07/01/22 To consider information obtained regarding the former Morton Tip:

Cllr D Williamson spoke in detail about information he had managed to obtain. Cllr A Brown proposed, Cllr H Liggett seconded and it was unanimously agreed that Cllr D Williamson collates the information for distribution to the relevant Officers.

Cllr C Cupit joined the meeting at 7.05pm.

08/01/22 To consider the provision of summer hanging baskets:

Cllr M Roe proposed, Cllr G Mather seconded and it was unanimously agreed that the Clerk obtains prices. Once a decision has been made businesses are to be approached about sponsorship.

The Clerk to put a post on Facebook thanking the residents who look after the planters throughout the Parish.

09/01/22 To consider the provision of Christmas lighting:

Cllr A Brown proposed, Cllr M Roe seconded and it was unanimously agreed that the Clerk looks at different options and reports back to a future meeting.

10/01/22 To consider the consecration of the new Cemetery extension:

Cllr D Williamson proposed, Cllr M Roe seconded and it was unanimously agreed that Cemetery extension will not be consecrated.

11/01/22 To consider the purchase of a metal shed for the new Cemetery extension:

It was agreed that a 10-foot storage container would be the best option. The Clerk to obtain prices and Cllr H Liggett agreed to check whether planning permission will be required.

12/01/22 To consider the condition of the football pitches at Stonebroom:

The Clerk to obtain advice on drainage improvements.

13/01/22 To consider the process for the booking of football matches:

Cllr M Roe proposed, Cllr G Mather seconded and it was unanimously agreed that seven days' notice will be required for all bookings.

14/01/22 To consider the proposed sale of the Fidler and Laverack land off Dog Lane Shirland:

Cllr D Williamson proposed and Cllr G Mather seconded that the current tenant be allowed to continue renting the land this year and the Clerk to write informing him that the Parish Council are considering selling the land in the future. Seven Councillors were for this action and two chose to abstain.

15/01/22 To consider an update on the Neighbourhood Plan:

The Clerk reported that the survey went live online on 20th December 2021 and closes on 23rd January 2022.

16/01/22 To consider the request from Staffa Health for permission to install a light:

Cllr H Liggett proposed, Cllr P Allsop seconded and it was unanimously agreed that permission be granted providing the timer is set as per the application.

17/01/22 To consider the S137 request from the Solar Farm Community Action Group:

Cllr A Brown proposed, Cllr A Lomax seconded and it was unanimously agreed with the exception of Cllr H Liggett who abstained that the request be turned down.

18/01/22 To consider the preparation work required at the new Mickley Allotment site:

Cllr A Brown proposed, Cllr M Roe seconded and it was unanimously agreed that the Clerk arranges for the grass to be cut and then the plots can be marked out. A 25% discount on the rent will be offered for the first year.

19/01/22 Report from County Councillor:

No report received

20/01/22 Report from District Councillors:

Cllr C Cupit reported on a number of issues:

- -A litter pick is to take place on Saturday 29th January 2022, volunteers to meet at Shirland.
- -A sweep of the A61 and Belper Road has been arranged.
- -Awaiting a reply from Derbyshire County Council regarding traffic and the speed limit on Mickley Lane.
- -The Local Plan was adopted in November 2021.
- -Money is available from Derbyshire County Council to help towards the cost of Jubilee Celebrations.

Cllr H Liggett reported that she is consulting with North East Derbyshire District Council regarding S106 monies due to the Parish Council.

Cllr H Liggett reported that free digital skills training is available to residents. The Clerk to advertise this on the noticeboards, website and Facebook.

Cllr H Liggett mentioned the planning application for the retention of the container at the top of Ogston Lane. A condition is to be added requiring the stone wall to be rebuilt within forty-two days.

Cllr M Roe reported that he has been consulting with Derbyshire County Council and North East Derbyshire District Council regarding the planning application on Carlyle Road, the footpath needs to remain in place.

Cllr C Cupit left the meeting at 8.47pm.

21/01/22 Reports from Councillors on outside bodies and community groups:

Cllr A Brown reported that the Community Café has reopened at Shirland Village Hall and is being very well attended.

22/01/22: Report from Chair:

The Chair reported that she had not attended any meetings in the last month.

23/01/22 Report from Clerk:

The Clerk mentioned that the hedge has been replanted at Stonebroom allotments.

No responses were received to the Stonebroom bus shelter consultation.

The grounds maintenance contract has been advertised and the documents sent out as and when requested.

The Clerk is to write to Shirland 2020 thanking them for the Christmas tree.

New signage has been ordered for the play areas and the BMX track and Derbyshire County Council have agreed to install directional signage to The Hut at Mickley.

24/01/22 Dalc Newsletters - December 2021 and January 2022:

Distributed electronically to Councillors.

25/01/22 Correspondence (previously circulated to Councillors):

North East Derbyshire District Council – Notice of Adoption of the Local Plan.

Stonebroom Community Volunteer Group – notification of meetings.

Resident – land ownership.

26/01/22 To consider the following planning applications:

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 Consultation of Parish Council

Application No.:	21/01454/FL
Proposal:	Application for stable block, outdoor arena/menage and barn for housing machinery, feed and animals
Address:	Land South East of 2 Church Street Shirland

The Parish Council are very concerned about light pollution from this proposal. The Council are also concerned about the effect on the natural habitats for wildlife. The Parish Council would like to know if the applicant intends to run a business.

Application No.:	21/01506/RM
Proposal:	Approval of reserved matters (access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale) for 10 dwellings pursuant to outline approval 18/00053/OL (Major Development/Departure from Development Plan)
Address:	Land to the North West of 101 Birkinstyle Lane Shirland

No comments.

Application No.:	21/01479/FL
Proposal:	Retain storage container and use for storage of materials and equipment associated with builders' business (Conservation Area)
Address:	Land East of Quarry Farm Ogston Lane Higham

The colour of the unit needs to fit in with the location. The Council feel it is very important that the stone wall is re-built as a matter of urgency to enable the temporary fencing to be removed.

Cllr M Roe left the meeting at 9.11pm

Application No.:	21/01503/FLH
Proposal:	Two storey side extension with single storey porch, single storey rear extension and loft conversion.
Address:	185 High Street Stonebroom

To be discussed at the next meeting.

Cllr P Allsop left the meeting at 9.15pm

27/01/22 To receive bank reconciliations for November and December 2021, third quarter budget monitoring report, bank balances, bank statements and bills for payment:

The bank reconciliations and budget monitoring report had been circulated prior to the meeting. Cllr A Brown proposed, Cllr A Lomax seconded and it was unanimously agreed that the documents be accepted.

The bank balances as at 31.12.2021 were as follows:

NatWest current account £500.00

NatWest reserve account £99605.67

NSI investment account £151533.61

The bank statements were presented for signature.

The following payments were authorised: -

Payee	Goods	Amount £
Rob Cook Electrical	Christmas Lighting Repairs to lamp columns at Shirland Village Hall	9408.00 222.00
Mark Rowarth	Filling of grit bins	360.00
British Gas	Electricity: December 2021 January 2022 Gas: December 2021	57.71 67.24 76.63
	January 2022	104.58
British Telecom	Stonebroom Pavilion: Line Rental Broadband – December 2021 Broadband – January 2022	45.47 62.52 62.52
O2	Council mobile: December 2021 January 2021	29.20 30.16
Waterplus	Stonebroom Pavilion	29.42
North East Derbyshire District Council	Pumping station maintenance at Shirland Village Hall Emptying of bins – July to September 2021	226.97 1111.50
Higham Press	Neighbourhood Plan surveys	256.80
Viking	Ink	74.84
Ilkeston Fencing	New Mickley allotments – fencing and gate	22371.72
ASI Security Systems	Alarm at Stonebroom Pavilion: New battery Annual maintenance and monitoring	26.34 546.00
Derbyshire Association of Local Councils	Allotment's training course	80.00

Metro Rod	Work to pumping station at Shirland Village Hall	1002.00
Shelter Maintenance	Bus shelter cleaning	46.02
Helen Dowson expenses	Weebly (website provider) – 2 months	27.91
	Padlock	41.04
	Postage	3.85
	Pens and envelopes	19.51
Brian Stone expenses	Bolts	1.19
Wages and Salaries including HMRC	3 employees	1839.47
Proludic **	Playground spares	63.35

^{**} Late payment, invoice received after publication of agenda.

Receipts since last meeting:-

Received:	Amount £
Burials and interment of ashes	2600.00
Memorial additional inscription	35.00
Children's football	140.00
Adult's football	60.00

The meeting finished at 9.23pm.