

Shirland and Higham Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting

held at Stonebroom Pavilion, Monday 15th July 2019 at 7pm

Councillors Present: Cllr Anne Brown (Chair), Cllr Peter Allsop, Cllr Barry Barnes, Cllr John Epton, Cllr Michelle Green, Cllr Guy Liggett, Cllr Heather Liggett, Cllr Alistair Lomax, Cllr Geoff Mather, Cllr Mike Roe, Cllr Sue Smith, Cllr David Williamson

In Attendance: Helen Dowson (Clerk & RFO), District Cllr C Cupit and twelve members of the public.

01/07/19 To consider accepting apologies for absence: None.

02/07/19 To Record Declarations of Interest: Cllr S Smith – Stonebroom Forest School and Cllr B Barnes – Tenants and Residents Association Mickley.

03/07/19 To receive and approve requests for dispensations from members on matters in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest: None.

04/07/19 To determine if any item on the agenda should be taken with the public excluded: None.

05/07/19 To consider for approval the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 17 June 2019: Cllr B Barnes stated that himself and another Councillor felt that a comment made by the Vice Chair should have been included in the minutes. The Clerk responded by saying the minutes are a confirmation of the resolutions made. The Chair requested that the Councillors concerned write to the Clerk regarding this and it will then be considered on a future agenda.

Cllr M Green approved the minutes and Cllr G Mather seconded.

06/07/19 Residents or public questions/comments and visit from representatives of Stonebroom Forest School (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 Stonebroom Nursery and Infants School was unable to attend the meeting. A volunteer from the Forest School spoke in detail about recent incidents relating to the Forest School and the work that is being carried out by the newly formed Action Group. The Chair agreed that the work that is being done is much appreciated, requesting that permission is obtained from the landowner when working on private land. The Chair confirmed that any complaints regarding Councillors are dealt with by the Monitoring Officer and that the school and the Parish Council are to work together on a Woodland Management Plan.

07/07/19 To consider for approval the adoption of the Equal Opportunities Policy:

Cllr B Barnes proposed and Cllr M Roe seconded that this document be approved and adopted.

08/07/19 To consider for approval the adoption of the Complaints Procedure:

Cllr G Mather proposed and Cllr H Liggett seconded that the procedure be approved and adopted.

09/07/19 To consider the complaint received regarding the multi-user games area at Stonebroom and possible options for re-siting:

A discussion was had regarding the options available for re-siting or the possibility of installing netting to the top of the games area to prevent balls ending up in neighbouring gardens. The need for drainage work on the playing fields was also discussed. Cllr A Brown proposed and Cllr M Green seconded that quotations are obtained for the drainage works and adaptations to the fencing on the games area. In the long-term the Parish Council may look at re-arranging the facilities on the site.

10/07/19 To consider quotation for repairs to multi-user games area as a result of vandalism:

It was unanimously agreed that further quotes are obtained.

11/07/19 To consider Fidler and Laverack tenancy agreement:

Cllr H Liggett reported that she had recently met with the tenant. Cllr D Williamson proposed and Cllr H Liggett seconded that the rent is increased to £400 per annum and reviewed every five years based on the Agricultural Holdings Act.

12/07/19 To consider S137 grant request from Mickley Infant School:

Cllr B Barnes proposed and Cllr A Lomax seconded that a grant of £200 is given.

13/07/19 To consider S137 grant request from Mickley Holiday Club:

Cllr B Barnes proposed and Cllr M Roe seconded that a grant of £200 is given.

14/07/19 To consider the renewal of the subscription to the Peak and Northern Footpath Society:

Cllr D Williamson proposed and Cllr S Smith seconded that the subscription is renewed

15/07/19 To consider requests from Stonebroom Forest School:

Discussions regarding the Forest School were deferred until September when the Headteacher hopes to attend the meeting.

The recent request for extending the area for the pigs was discussed and it was approved by all with the exception of Cllr G Liggett who abstained and Cllr S Smith who had declared an interest.

16/07/19 To consider the purchase of a seat for Park Lane Shirland:

Cllr B Barnes proposed and Cllr A Lomax seconded that the offer from the driver to pay thirty pounds a month until the cost has been met should be accepted and a seat from the pavilion be relocated to this site.

17/07/19 To consider style of memorial bench for Cemetery:

It was unanimously agreed that the Amberol moulded brown bench with back will be the standard design.

18/07/19 To consider requests received from football teams to play on Stonebroom Sportsground:

Cllr P Allsop proposed and Cllr M Green seconded that the application from Shirland Miners Welfare Football Club be accepted and the other requests turned down due to only one pitch being available. It was also agreed that the proposed terms and conditions of use be approved.

19/07/19 To consider an update on applications received for Caretaker vacancy:

The Clerk reported that five applications have been received to date but none from the local area, the Chair is to put copies of the advert in local shops.

20/07/19 Report from County Councillor:

No report received.

21/07/19 Report from District Councillors:

Cllr Cupit spoke about planning applications in the parish: the application for Chesterfield Road has been turned down and the application for the development off Hallfield Gate Lane is currently pending.

Cllr Cupit reported that the District Council have adopted an Action Plan in relation to climate change. Cllr Cupit also mentioned that North East Derbyshire District Council are carrying out an enforcement review looking at the enforcement of fly tipping, planning issues and parking. Cllr Liggett reported that Mickley Infants School has been awarded a grant to look at climate change issues.

22/07/19 Reports from Councillors on outside bodies:

Cllr Barnes reported that the children's football on Wednesday evenings at Stonebroom is proving very successful and the organisers should be complimented.

Cllr Barnes also mentioned that he is hoping that a committee can be formed in the near future to look at re-establishing a carnival in Stonebroom.

Cllr Brown spoke about a number of future events in the Parish. Cllr Brown mentioned that Shirland Community Café is one year old in August and a party and cake is being organised.

23/07/19 Correspondence:

Local Plan for Bolsover District – Consultation on proposed modifications – circulated to Councillors.

North East Derbyshire District Council proposed Public Space Protection Order for dog related offences – circulated to Councillors. The Clerk to report Mickley Lane as a problem area for fouling. It was agreed to move one of the benches from outside the pavilion to near the children's play area and to put additional 'No dogs' signage on the fence of the play area.

Consultation by Staffa Health regarding proposed closure of Pilsley Surgery – circulated to Councillors. The Clerk to write to Staffa Health asking what proposals they have for patient and staff car parking at the Stonebroom surgery.

Derbyshire County Council – notification of temporary road closure Main Road/Belper Road Higham.

Stonebroom Forest School – a number of e-mails have been received in support of the Forest School.

24/07/19 Dalc Circular 07/2019:

Circular distributed electronically to Councillors.

25/07/19 To consider the following planning applications:

**Town and Country Planning Act 1990
Consultation of Parish Council**

Application Number:	19/00610/LB
Proposal:	Application for listed building consent for removal of render and restoration of original stonework and pointing (Listed Building)
Address:	Swan Farm Hillside Stretton

No comments.

Application Number:	19/00647/FL
Proposal:	Application to remove condition 13 of planning application 10/00571/FL to remove restrictions regarding person or persons who may occupy the dwelling (Conservation Area/Affecting the setting of a Listed Building)
Address:	Crown Inn Main Road Higham

The Parish Council strongly object to this application after considering the archaeological report and the affect the proposal would have on the setting of a listed building.

Application Number:	19/00648/FL
Proposal:	Proposed pair of semi-detached dwellings (Conservation Area/Affecting the setting of a Listed Building)
Address:	Crown Inn Main Road Higham

The Parish Council strongly object to this application after considering the archaeological report and the affect the proposal would have on the setting of a listed building.

Application Number:	19/00649/OL
Proposal:	Proposed change of public house to 3 dwellings including demolition of extensions to rear (Listed Building/Conservation Area)
Address:	Crown Inn Main Road Higham

The Parish Council feel it is a shame to lose the Public House.

26/07/19 Finance

The bank reconciliation had been circulated prior to the meeting and this along with the bank statements were presented for signature.

The following payments were authorised: -

Payee	Goods	Amount £
ASI Security Systems	Alarm fobs	31.20
BT	Broadband - Stonebroom Pavilion	52.08
British Gas	Stonebroom Pavilion - Electricity	172.72
O2	Council Mobile	27.20
Helen Dowson	Padlock - Mickley BMX track	10.00
	Key cutting – Stonebroom Pavilion	133.69
	Mileage	7.20
Wages and Salaries including HMRC	3 employees	1851.00
LA Landscaping Services	Grounds Maintenance	1824.00
Viking	Stationery, ink, first aid kit and dictaphone	139.72
Proludic	Play equipment spares	35.09
Brian Stone **	Petrol	12.22
Waterplus **	Water – Stonebroom Pavilion	142.79

** Recorded on late payment schedule, invoice received after publication of the agenda.

Receipts since last meeting:-

Received from:	Amount £
Table Tennis	45.00
Football	14.00
Daynes Monumental **	35.00

** Recorded on late income schedule, income received after publication of the agenda.

The bank balances as at 30th June 2019 were discussed and are confirmed as follows:

Natwest Current Account £500.00

Natwest Reserve Account £69874.18

NSI Investment Account £149256.40

The meeting finished at 8.44pm.