

Shirland and Higham Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting

held at Shirland Village Hall on Thursday 15 July 2021 at 7.00pm

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

In Attendance: Helen Dowson (Clerk & RFO), two members of the public for the duration of the meeting and one member of the public who joined the meeting at 7.37pm.

01/07/21 To consider accepting apologies for absence:

Apologies received and accepted from Cllr G Liggett, Cllr H Liggett, Cllr C Cupit and Cllr B Lewis.

02/07/21 To Record Declarations of Interest from members on any items to be discussed:

None.

03/07/21 To receive and approve requests for dispensations from members on matters in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest:

None.

04/07/21 To determine if any item on the agenda should be taken with the public excluded:

None.

05/07/21 To consider for approval the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 17th June 2021:

Cllr M Roe proposed and Cllr P Allsop seconded that the minutes be approved.

06/07/21 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 Stonebroom Football Club gave a presentation about the Club and distributed an Assessment Report to Councillors.

A member of the public reported an ongoing issue with the dog bin at the top of Pasture Lane Stonebroom being left open. The Clerk to contact North East Derbyshire District Council again.

07/07/21 To consider the quotations received for the drainage works at Shirland play area and playing field:

Cllr G Mather proposed, Cllr M Green seconded and it was unanimously agreed that an order is placed with Roweplant.

08/07/21 To consider the request from Stonebroom FC for the use of Stonebroom Pavilion and Sportsground on Saturday 14th August 2021:

Cllr B Barnes proposed, Cllr A Lomax seconded and it was unanimously agreed that this request is approved.

09/07/21 To consider the request from Rykneld Homes for the use of Stonebroom Pavilion and Sportsground on Tuesday afternoons during the school summer holidays:
Cllr P Allsop proposed and Cllr B Barnes seconded that the request be approved.

10/07/21 To consider the application from Eastwood Albion for the use of the football pitch for the 2021/22 season:

The Clerk mentioned that Ashover Juniors Football Club have applied to use the pitch on Saturdays from the start of the new season. Cllr A Brown proposed, Cllr M Roe seconded and it was unanimously agreed that Eastwood Albion FC are allowed to use the pitch on Sundays and Ashover Juniors FC on Saturdays.

11/07/21 To consider the charge to Staffa Health for the use of the car park:

Cllr D Williamson proposed, Cllr M Roe seconded and it was unanimously agreed that an invoice is raised to the value of £250.

12/07/21 To consider the recent problems at Mickley BMX track:

Cllr A Brown and the Clerk reported on the recent incident when cars managed to get onto the track and were being driven around and the police had to attend to move them on. The Clerk confirmed that a new lock has now been fitted to the gate.

13/07/21 To consider the recent anti-social behaviour at Stonebroom Sportsground and the request for Police presence:

Cllr A Brown and the Clerk reported on three recent incidents at the Sportsground which have resulted in a large amount of broken glass being left on the football pitch. The local PCSO has confirmed he will call and make checks whenever possible and will ask the local Policing Team to also call when in the area. Cllr A Brown encouraged local residents to call the Police on 101 when any similar incidents are witnessed.

14/07/21 To consider the correspondence from the newly formed Stonebroom Community Volunteer Group and Councillor involvement:

The minutes received had been circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting and Cllr Brown went through each item in turn referring to which Authority if any was responsible for the item being discussed. Cllr A Brown commented that it is nice to see groups being formed in the Community and it will be good if they can work in conjunction with the Parish Council. Cllr A Brown stated that if any Councillors would like to represent the Parish Council on this group they will need prior agreement by the Council.

15/07/21 To consider remedial works to the goal mouths of the full-sized pitch at Stonebroom Sportsground:

Cllr A Brown proposed and Cllr B Barnes seconded that these works should be carried out. This was unanimous with the exception of Cllr P Allsop who chose to abstain.

Cllr A Brown proposed and Cllr M Roe seconded that the Clerk obtains quotes and circulates to Councillors. This was unanimous with the exception of Cllr P Allsop who again chose to abstain.

16/07/21 To consider updates on the cemetery extension and the new Mickley allotment site:

The Clerk reported that Cllr A Brown, Cllr G Mather and herself had recently met with a fencing contractor at these two sites. It was agreed that the allotment plots will be half sized plots. Cllr A Brown proposed, Cllr G Mather seconded and it was unanimously agreed that the Clerk obtains quotes for the installation of fencing at the two sites.

17/07/21 To consider Cllr A Brown representing the Parish Council at the Mickley TARA (Tenants and Residents Association) meetings:

Cllr B Barnes proposed, Cllr G Mather seconded and it was unanimously agreed that Cllr Brown represents the Parish Council at these meetings.

18/07/21 Report from County Councillor:

No report.

19/07/21 Report from District Councillor:

Cllr M Roe reported on the first face to face Full Council meeting which had been held at Killamarsh Leisure Centre. The refuse collection service which is back in house was discussed at the meeting and Cllr Roe mentioned that the Council are welcoming comments from residents on the service being provided. The large investment planned at Killamarsh Leisure Centre and the Climate Action plan were among other items discussed.

20/07/21 Reports from Councillors on outside bodies and community groups:

Cllr B Barnes reported that he had attended the BMX Club on Tuesday evening and it was going really well. Cllr B Barnes also reported that he is attending a meeting with residents at School Close Shirland on 20th July 2021.

Cllr A Brown reported on a meeting of the Mickley Partnership which she had attended on 29th June 2021. The works on The Hut are almost finished although the flat roof is still to be done on the storage area. Rykneld are meeting with a surveyor soon to discuss the replacement windows. A TARA meeting is to be held on 3rd August 2021 regarding possible future events and activities. Cllr A Brown has requested that Parish Council's receive copies of the Rykneld Resident magazines. The storage container at the BMX track is now on site and just requires painting. The status of Mickley School is set to be determined at Cabinet at the July meeting. The school food bank is continuing and Jason Sadler is now one of the admins on the Mickley Matters Facebook page. The Amber Valley Sports Partnership are running a Summer Holiday Scheme for pupils that are entitled to free school meals.

Cllr A Brown also reported on the Healthy Futures Group meeting which she had attended on 14th July 2021. In addition to the items discussed at the Mickley Partnership meeting the Holiday Hunger program was discussed which will take place at Mickley and Stonebroom.

Jason Sadler has recently met with residents of School Close Shirland who are hoping to hold regular coffee mornings.

Cllr A Brown reported on the recent successful Scarecrow Festival in the Parish and stated that the Community Café and the bingo group at Shirland Village Hall will hopefully open again in October 2021 dependent on COVID rules.

Cllr M Roe left the meeting at 8.35pm.

21/07/21 Report from Clerk:

The Clerk reported that the signage for Stonebroom Woodland Area is on order and a Contractor has been requested to have a look at the footbridge at that site.

The Clerk mentioned that the two new bus shelters in Shirland should be in place before the end of August and the telephone kiosk should be removed week commencing 19th July 2021. The trees from the Woodland Trust have been applied for and the initial grant funding application for the Neighbourhood Plan has been successful. The first meeting regarding the Neighbourhood Plan will be held once North East Derbyshire District Council have formally defined the area.

The Clerk has been in contact again with the company who will be carrying out the BMX track repairs but no date has yet been set.

A resident has requested a memorial bench in the cemetery however it was resolved at a previous meeting that any new benches will be sited in the new cemetery extension due to the lack of space.

Cllr A Brown and the Clerk are to carry out a site visit to Stonebroom allotments.

22/07/21 Dalc Newsletter July 2021:

Distributed electronically to Councillors.

23/07/21 Correspondence(Previously circulated to Councillors):

Dalc regarding the Queen's Platinum Jubilee Beacons 2nd June 2022 – to be discussed on a future agenda.

Amber Valley Borough Council – Local Plan consultation.

24/07/21 To consider the following planning applications:

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

Application No.:	21/00695/FLH
Proposal:	Application for a timber summerhouse (Conservation Area) (Affecting the setting of a Listed Building).
Address:	The Old Barn Main Road Higham

No comments.

Application No.:	21/00708/FLH
Proposal:	Change of use from agricultural to landscape maintenance contractors, including conversion of existing farmhouse to offices, demolition of disused milking sheds, erection of a new office and welfare building. Alterations to existing barn, use of barns for storage and associated parking.
Address:	Shirland House Farm Main Road Shirland

No comments.

Application No.:	21/00635/FL
Proposal:	Application for extension to factory.
Address:	Tockfield Ltd Pit Lane Shirland

No comments.

Application No.:	21/00733/FL
Proposal:	Loft conversion including partial raising of roof height and replacement of front door to window
Address:	14 Greaves Street Shirland

The Parish Council are concerned that the conversion may cause lack of amenity to the people that neighbour the property on Park Lane.

Application No.:	21/00780/TPO
Proposal:	Application to prune 1 Ash tree covered by NEDDC Tree Preservation Order No. 102 (A1)
Address:	72 Hallfieldgate Lane Shirland

No comments.

Application No.:	21/00781/TPO
Proposal:	Application for pruning works to Lime trees covered by NEDDC Tree Preservation Order No. 26
Address:	St Leonard's Church Main Road Shirland

No comments.

25/07/21 To receive Bank Reconciliation, bank statements, bank balances and bills for payment:

The bank reconciliation had been circulated prior to the meeting. Cllr A Brown proposed, Cllr J Epton seconded and it was unanimously agreed that the bank reconciliation be accepted. The bank statements were presented for signature and the Clerk read out the bank balances as at 30th June 2021:

Natwest Current Account - £500

Natwest Reserve Account - £96671.22

NSI Investment Account - £151533.61

The following payments were authorised: -

Payee	Goods	Amount £
O2	Council mobile	29.68
British Telecom	Stonebroom Pavilion-Broadband	62.52
Helen Dowson Expenses	Weebly – website provider monthly payment	13.14
	Padlock	40.63
	Goalposts	1068.45
	Laptop	499.00
	McAfee Security	19.99
	Microsoft yearly subscription	59.99
	Wages and salaries including HMRC	3 employees
Viking	Ink	84.57
Kestrel QAS Ltd	Legionnaires Risk Assessments – Stonebroom Pavilion and Shirland Village Hall	300.00

UK Safety Management **	Stonebroom Pavilion – fire extinguishers/fire blankets check, 2 new extinguishers and 3 signs	298.80
Brian Stone **	Petrol	13.17
British Gas **	Stonebroom Pavilion: Electric Gas	57.22 17.89

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

Receipts since last meeting:-

Received:	Amount £
Burial	500.00
Children's football	40.00

The meeting finished at 9.00pm.