Shirland and Higham Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting

held at Stonebroom Pavilion, Monday 16th March 2020 at 7.10pm

Councillors Present: Cllr Anne Brown (Chair), Cllr Peter Allsop, Cllr Barry Barnes, Cllr Guy Liggett, Cllr Heather Liggett, Cllr Allistair Lomax, Cllr Geoff Mather, Cllr Sue Smith and Cllr David Williamson.

In Attendance: Helen Dowson (Clerk & RFO) and seven members of the public.

01/03/20 To consider accepting apologies for absence: Apologies received and accepted from Cllr J Epton, Cllr M Green, Cllr M Roe, Cllr Cupit and Cllr B Lewis

02/03/20 To Record Declarations of Interest: Cllr A Brown and Cllr G Mather – agenda item 19/03/2020-20/0188/FLH (late application) and Cllr Sue Smith – Governor, Stonebroom School.

03/03/20 To receive and approve requests for dispensations from members on matters in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest: None.

04/03/20 To determine if any item on the agenda should be taken with the public excluded: None.

05/03/20 To consider for approval the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 20th January 2020:

Page 1843 requires amending to read: Cllr A Brown proposed and Cllr M Roe seconded that the covenant be agreed and signed, this was agreed by all Councillors with the exception of Councillor Lomax who was against this decision.

Cllr H Liggett approved and Cllr G Mather seconded.

06/03/20 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 parishioner spoke on behalf of a number of residents about the Community Woodland area in Stonebroom and handed over copies of a recent survey.

The Chair responded by saying that at a future meeting the Parish Council will discuss this area in detail and pointed out that the Parish Council have no intention of preventing the land to be used for Forest School sessions and for people to enjoy. The Parish Council are trustees of the land and are ultimately responsible for the area.

Another member of the public spoke about the use of CISWO land in a neighbouring parish.

07/03/20 To consider for approval the adoption of the following: Financial Regulations, Standing Orders, Asset Register, Retention Policy, Risk Assessments, Grant Awarding Policy, Safeguarding Policy and Stonebroom Pavilion CCTV Policy:

It was unanimously agreed that these are adopted.

08/03/20 To consider a request to use Stonebroom Sportsground and Pavilion for a Fun Day:

It was agreed that due to recent Government guidance it was not possible at this time to grant the request, the Clerk to contact the organiser suggesting that they postpone and reapply later in the year. These actions were proposed by Cllr D Williamson and seconded by Cllr A Brown, all Councillors agreed to this with the exception of one Councillor who chose to abstain.

09/03/20 To consider Councillor complaint regarding Parish Council meetings:

Deferred until the next meeting.

10/03/20 To consider recent ant-social behaviour at Stonebroom Sportsground:

Cllr A Brown and Cllr B Barnes spoke about recent problems, some of which the police are aware of. Cllr H Liggett spoke about the amount of litter being left in the doctors' car park and it was agreed that the Clerk contacts the doctors' surgery regarding the locking of the gate to the car park in the evening to help prevent any further damage or littering issues.

11/03/20 To consider relocating the teen shelter at Mickley:

Cllr A Brown proposed, Cllr Lomax seconded and it was unanimously agreed that the Clerk contacts North East Derbyshire District Council regarding the possibility of the shelter being relocated away from the hall onto an existing concrete base by the BMX track

12/03/20 Ongoing item – 75th Anniversary of VE Day – ideas to celebrate and commemorate.

Cllr A Brown provided information about the events planned at Shirland Village Hall for all residents of the Parish.

13/03/20 Report From County Councillor:

No report received.

14/03/20 Report from District Councillors:

Cllr H Liggett reported that an Officer at North East Derbyshire District Council is carrying out work regarding the old Church Hall on the A61 and the empty properties on Hallfield Gate Lane.

15/03/20 Report from Councillors on Outside Bodies:

No reports.

16/03/20 Report from Clerk:

Village Hall Lease – The Solicitor is acquiring a plan to Land Registry standards and he is hopeful that the new lease will commence on 1 April 2020.

A planning application has recently been submitted for a column for the CCTV cameras at Shirland Village Hall/play area.

Following last month's meeting all highway issues were reported to Derbyshire County Council. DCC have confirmed that the Stonebroom Lane surface repair has been carried out and a worksheet issued for the ditch on Park Lane.

Many reports have been received about potholes in the parish particularly in Stonebroom and these have all been reported to DCC.

An application was recently submitted to the Woodland Trust for small hedge saplings for planting at Stonebroom allotments, notification has been received confirming that the application was successful and they will be delivered in November 2020.

17/03/20 Correspondence

Email regarding Woodland Area signage – circulated to Councillors. The wording for the signage is to be agreed at a future meeting.

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Email regarding speeding in Stonebroom – circulated to Councillors. The Clerk to contact Derbyshire County Council and Rykneld Homes regarding the possibility of installing traffic calming measures.

Enquiry about a footpath off Northfield Shirland - Cllr H Liggett confirmed that Cllr M Roe is currently dealing with this.

Amber Valley Borough Council – Draft Statement of Community Involvement and Call For Sites – circulated to Councillors.

18/03/20 Dalc Newsletter February 2020:

Distributed electronically to Councillors.

19/03/20 To consider the following planning applications:

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 Consultation of Parish Council

Application Number:	19/00335/OL
Proposal:	Outline planning application for up to 90 dwellings and site access with all other matters reserved (apart from access) (Major development/Departure from Development Plan/Affecting Setting of Conservation Area) (amended title)
Address:	Land to the South of Hallfieldgate Lane Shirland

The same objections as before to be submitted – minutes of November 2019 refer.

Application Number:	20/00175/FLH	
Proposal:	Application to replace timber porch with single storey side extension (Conservation Area) (Affecting the setting of a listed building)	
Address:	Pear Tree Farm Main Road Higham	

The Parish Council to ask if North East Derbyshire District Council feel a flat roof would be appropriate in this case.

Application Number:	20/00171/FLH
Proposal:	Application to widen accessway and creation of extra hardstanding
Address:	22 High Street Stonebroom

No comments

Application Number:	20/00188/FLH	
Proposal:	Application for sectional garage	
Address:	13 Milton Avenue Stretton	

No comments.

20/03/20 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 £
Wages and salaries including HMRC	3 employees	1719.10
O2	Council mobile	27.06
British Telecom	Stonebroom Pavilion: Broadband Telephone line	58.56 45.47
Helen Dowson	Planning application for CCTV post: Application fee Postage Plan Home/office expenses:– Jan – March 2020 Land Registry enquiries Mileage	117.00 1.72 13.20 54.00 6.00 12.60
Viking	Ink, files and envelopes	108.81
LA Landscape Services	Chainsaw work – Cemetery extension	492.00
Ilkeston Fencing	Gates and disabled access – Stonebroom Sportsground	4348.38
DALC	Councillor Essentials Training	100.00
Brooke-Taylors Solicitors	Professional charges – Shirland Village Hall lease	1056.00
North East Derbyshire District Council	Emptying of dog bins – October to December 2019 Maintenance of pumping station at Shirland Village Hall	899.64 370.16

Receipts since last meeting:-

Received:	Amount £
Burial	550.00

The meeting finished at 8.34pm.