

Shirland and Higham Parish Council

Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting

held at Shirland Village Hall on Thursday 18th May 2023 at 7.00pm

Councillors Present: Cllr Mike Roe (Chair), Cllr Barry Barnes, Cllr Anne Brown, Cllr Janice Bush, Cllr Janice Cann, Cllr Michelle Green, Cllr Margaret Kimber, Cllr Ritchie Knowles, Cllr Guy Liggett, Cllr Geoff Mather, Cllr James Newton and Cllr David Williamson

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

01/05/23 Appointment of Chair and the signing of the Declaration of Acceptance:

Cllr Mike Roe was elected as Chair and the Declaration of Acceptance was completed.

02/05/23 Appointment of Vice Chair and the signing of the Declaration of Acceptance:

Cllr Barry Barnes was elected as Vice Chair and the Declaration of Acceptance was completed.

03/05/23 To consider accepting apologies for absence:

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Barry Lewis.

04/05/23 Declarations of Interest from members on any items to be discussed:

Cllr B Barnes – Trustee Fidler and Laverack and volunteer for the Holiday Activities and Food Group and Stonebroom Food Pantry. Cllr D Williamson – Trustee Fidler and Laverack. Cllrs A Brown, M Green and G Mather - members of Shirland Village Hall Management Committee. Cllr J Cann – Volunteer for Stonebroom Food Pantry. Cllr J Newton – Volunteer for Stonebroom Food Pantry and member of Stonebroom Community Volunteer Group. Cllr M Kimber - Volunteer for Stonebroom Food Pantry and the Holiday Activities and Food Group and member of Stonebroom Community Volunteer Group.

05/05/23 To receive and approve requests for dispensations from members on matters in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest:

None.

06/05/23 To determine if any item on the agenda should be taken with the public excluded:

None.

07/05/23 To consider for approval the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 20th April 2023:

Cllr A Brown proposed and Cllr M Green seconded that the minutes be approved.

08/05/23 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):

Cllr H Liggett asked for an update on the provision of a new War Memorial.

A member of the public reported that the lamp column and litter bin that was removed from outside Stonebroom School still hasn't been replaced; Cllr C Cupit agreed to speak to the relevant authorities.

The lady also mentioned that residents have experienced problems with parking when events are held in Stonebroom Woodland and that the dog bin at the Woodland has been moved.

A member of the public and Cllr M Kimber stated that when events are held at Stonebroom Woodland people are asked not to park on the private land. At the last event there was one car parked there and the driver was asked to move.

Cllr J Newton mentioned that he had received complaints about the amount of arisings left following the grass cutting at Stonebroom Sportsground.

09/05/23 To consider reviewing the bank signatories:

Cllr D Williamson proposed, Cllr B Barnes seconded and it was unanimously agreed that Cllrs Brown, Bush, Knowles and Newton are added as signatories on the Natwest accounts.

10/05/23 To consider and approve a member to oversee financial transactions:

Cllr A Brown proposed, Cllr G Mather seconded and it was unanimously agreed that Cllr M Green carries out the checks.

11/05/23 To consider and approve the insurance renewal:

Cllr A Brown proposed, Cllr G Mather seconded and it was unanimously agreed that the insurance is renewed with Hiscox insurance Company Ltd.

12/05/23 To consider information on the Neighbourhood Plan Regulation 14 Consultation:

The Clerk provided information on the consultation, the mail drop and the drop-in events.

Cllrs Brown, Green and Mather left the room.

13/05/23 To consider the S137 grant request from Shirland Village Hall Management Committee:

Cllr D Williamson proposed, Cllr J Cann seconded and it was unanimously agreed by the Councillors present to award £300.

Cllrs Brown, Green and Mather returned to the meeting table.

14/05/23 To consider the quotation received for the solar powered Christmas trees:

Cllr A Brown proposed, Cllr D Williamson seconded and it was unanimously agreed to place the order.

15/05/23 To consider the ordering of additional hanging baskets for Toadhole Furnace:

Cllr B Barnes proposed, Cllr J Newton seconded and it was unanimously agreed that due to the lack of suitable lamp columns the Clerk makes enquiries with the County Council regarding siting a planter on one of the grass verges near the former Amber Hotel.

16/05/23 Report from County Councillor:

No report.

17/05/23 Reports from District Councillors:

Cllr C Cupit reported that the Comet service is to resume on Sundays from July 2023. Cllr Cupit is liaising with Trent Barton over current issues.

18/05/23 Reports from Councillors on outside bodies and community groups:

Cllr J Cann reported on the success of the Stonebroom Food Pantry and Councillors asked various questions.

Cllr R Knowles on behalf of the Community of Shirland and Higham Group reported that a June Fest is to be held in Shirland on the 24th June 2023.

Cllr A Brown reported that the Coronation event held in Shirland Village Hall was well attended.

19/05/23: Report from Chair:

None.

20/05/23 Report from Clerk:

The Clerk reported that Extreme Wheels are at Shirland on the 1st June 2023 and this has been advertised.

The Clerk is trying to find contact details for the owner of the land adjacent to the Cemetery. The boundary requires remedial work to prevent the cows getting into the Cemetery.

21/05/23 Dalc Newsletters – May 2023 and May 2 2023:

Previously circulated to Councillors.

22/05/23 Correspondence (previously circulated to Councillors)

- North East Derbyshire District Council – Planning appeal decision
- Resident – Seat at Stonebroom

23/05/23 To consider the following planning applications:

Application Number:	23/00360/FL
Proposal:	Construction of a detached two storey dwelling along with the creation of a new vehicular access (Affecting the setting of a Listed Building)
Address:	95 High Street Stonebroom

The Parish Council are keen for the memorial stone to be retained.

Application Number:	23/00372/FLH
Proposal:	Reroof existing house to allow attic accommodation with gables, 2 dormers, front roof window and rear Juliet balcony
Address:	65 Cleveland Road Stonebroom

No comments

Application Number:	23/00345/FL
Proposal:	Proposed equestrian manege 20m x 40m together with associated Hay Store and Stables (Affecting a public right of way)
Address:	Land at Coordinates 440382 358790 South of Dog Lane Shirland

The Parish Council have concerns about the proposed hay store being underneath the electric cables.

Application Number:	23/00397/LB
Proposal:	External works to secure a water tight development structure for the conversion of the Crown Inn including repointing works, replacement windows, remove unstable chimney, remove existing fire escape and rebuilding of dilapidated structures. (Conservation Area)
Address:	Crown Inn Main Road Higham Alfreton

No comments

Application Number:	23/00234/AFULD
Proposal:	Prior approval application for new agricultural shed for storage of animal feed and creation of new private way leading from Mickley Lane (Amended Title)
Address:	Mickley Farm Mickley Lane Stretton

No comments

Application Number:	23/00255/FL
Proposal:	Proposed change of use from a one bedroom annex to a residential property and changes to roofing materials
Address:	15 Town End Shirland

No comments

24/05/23 To receive bank reconciliation, bank statements and bills for payment:

The bank reconciliation had been circulated prior to the meeting. Cllr D Williamson proposed and Cllr M Green seconded that it be accepted. This was unanimously agreed with the exception of Cllr J Bush who chose to abstain.

Payee	Goods	Amount £
British Gas	Stonebroom Pavilion: Electricity	62.59
	Gas	23.02
British Telecom	Stonebroom Pavilion: Broadband	78.19
O2	Council mobile	29.58
Waterplus	Stonebroom Pavilion	15.66
Helen Dowson Expenses	Weebly (website provider)	14.87
	Ink	22.49
	Stationery	14.75
	Padlock	37.24
	Royal Mail delivery of Neighbourhood Plan consultation leaflets	261.50
	Cleaning materials	4.98
Higham Press	Printing for Neighbourhood Plan consultation	763.80
Wages and salaries including HMRC	3 employees	2695.77
Civic Pride	Lamppost testing	529.20
LA Landscaping Services	Grass Cutting April 18 th & May 3 rd	1920.00
Waterplus **	Stonebroom Pavilion	14.13
Civic Pride **	Lamppost testing	32.40
Brian Stone **	Petrol	14.99
Shelter Maintenance **	Shelter repair	24.00
LA Landscaping Services **	Ashes interment	119.00

** Invoice received following publication of agenda.

Cllr A Brown proposed and Cllr M Green seconded that all payments are accepted. This was unanimously agreed with the exception of Cllr J Bush who chose to abstain.

Receipts since last meeting:-

Received:	Amount £
Ashes interment	400.00
Memorial applications	134.00
Allotment fees	125.00
Grant from Police & Crime Commissioner for Speed Indicator Devices	6287.00

The meeting closed at 8.25pm.