Shirland and Higham Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting

held at Shirland Village Hall on Thursday 21 October 2021 at 7.00pm

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

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

01/10/21 To consider accepting apologies for absence:

Apologies received and accepted from Cllr J Epton and Cllr C Cupit.

02/10/21 To Record Declarations of Interest from members on any items to be discussed:

Cllr A Brown, Cllr M Green and Cllr G Mather - members of Shirland Village Hall Management Committee – items 10, 11 and 12. Cllr B Barnes – Stonebroom Community Volunteer Group – item 27.

03/10/21 To receive and approve requests for dispensations from members on matters in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest:

None.

04/10/21 To determine if any item on the agenda should be taken with the public excluded:

Agenda item 30.

05/10/21 To consider for approval the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 16th September 2021:

Cllr H Liggett proposed and Cllr M Roe seconded that the minutes be approved.

06/10/21 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):

Representatives from Stonebroom Community Volunteer Group asked questions relating to the lamp post poppies and their recent requests, the questions were answered by Councillors and the Clerk.

07/10/21 To consider and approve the budget for the 2022/23 financial year:

The proposed budget was circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting. A discussion was held and Cllr A Brown proposed, Cllr H Liggett seconded and it was unanimously agreed that the budget be accepted with no increase to the precept and a request for £91247 be submitted to North East Derbyshire District Council.

08/10/21 To consider the renewal of the memberships for the Society of Local Council Clerks and the Campaign to Protect Rural England:

Cllr D Williamson proposed, Cllr A Lomax seconded and it was unanimously agreed that the memberships be renewed.

09/10/21 To consider and approve the following policies: Complaint's procedure, Dismissal and Disciplinary, Grievance, Equal Opportunities, Health and Safety, Lone Worker, Press, Privacy and the Business Continuity Plan:

Cllr H Liggett proposed, Cllr G Mather seconded and it was unanimously agreed that the policies be approved and adopted.

Cllr A Brown, Cllr M Green and Cllr G Mather left the room.

10/10/21 To consider the refurbishment works required at Shirland Village Hall:

Cllr H Liggett proposed, Cllr M Roe seconded and it was unanimously agreed that quotations are obtained for a new boiler and heating system and once this is done options for replacement flooring will be looked at.

11/10/21 To consider the purchase of replacement kitchen appliances at Shirland Village Hall:

Cllr H Liggett proposed, Cllr B Barnes seconded and it was unanimously agreed that quotations are obtained for a new kitchen including appliances.

12/10/21 To consider the quotation for investigation works due to problems with the pumps at Shirland Village Hall:

Cllr B Barnes proposed, Cllr M Roe seconded and it was unanimously agreed that an order is placed for this work.

Cllr A Brown, Cllr M Green and Cllr G Mather took their seats back at the meeting table.

13/10/21 To consider the landscaping of the Cemetery extension:

Cllr H Liggett proposed, Cllr A Brown seconded and it was unanimously agreed that Cllr H Liggett obtains quotes for the works.

14/10/21 To consider the provision of new signage for the play areas and BMX track:

Cllr M Roe proposed, Cllr G Mather seconded and it was unanimously agreed that quotes are obtained for new signs for the play areas and the BMX track.

15/10/21 To consider the responses received from the Stonebroom bus shelter consultation and to decide whether to proceed with the request for a shelter:

As only three replies were received it was agreed that local shops would be approached to see if they would display a poster asking for people's thoughts on this.

16/10/21 To consider the prices obtained for the provision of Christmas trees and lights:

Cllr A Brown proposed and Cllr P Allsop seconded that once the options have been considered and the sites agreed an order be placed. A vote was taken with ten Councillors for and one against this action.

17/10/21 To consider the request for a donation to the Chair of North East Derbyshire District Council's charitable appeal:

Cllr D Williamson proposed, Cllr B Barnes seconded and it was unanimously agreed that a donation of £200 is given.

18/10/21 To consider the professional cleaning of the tennis court and fitness equipment area at Stonebroom:

It was agreed to consider this again in the Spring, the Clerk to write to the adjacent landowner requesting that the overhanging trees be cut back.

19/10/21 To consider the planting of the saplings from the Woodland Trust:

The Clerk to write to the Forest School regarding how many tree saplings they would like for the Woodland. Cllr H Liggett, Cllr M Roe and Cllr D Williamson volunteered to help with the planting once the saplings are received.

20/10/21 To consider the request from Stonebroom FC for the use of Stonebroom Sportsground:

Cllr B Barnes proposed, Cllr A Lomax seconded and it was unanimously agreed that the team be allowed to continue using the facilities over the winter and are granted permission to use the adult pitch on Saturdays during the 2022/23 season.

Standing Orders were suspended at 9.00pm to allow the meeting to continue.

21/10/21 To consider the use of the S106 monies at Shirland Village Hall play area and playing fields:

A discussion was held and it was agreed that the Clerk will obtain quotes for a zip wire, small goal posts and play equipment for younger children.

Cllr M Roe left the meeting at 9.10pm.

22/10/21 Report from County Councillor:

Cllr B Lewis reported on a number of issues:

- No further complaints have been received regarding blocked gullies following the recent surface dressing works.
- The Community Leadership fund including the funding available for Platinum Jubilee Celebrations.
- The Climate Change Strategy and the Cultural Framework have now been approved by Derbyshire County Council.
- Apologies for all the roadworks that took place during the summer but it was necessary to get these done during the good weather.
- The Parish Council are asked to suggest any potential schemes for next year's capital programme.

Cllr B Lewis agreed to take action regarding the blocked gullies on Hallfield Gate Lane and the Wheeldon's development as reported by Cllr H Liggett.

Cllr B Barnes reported a problem with water ponding on the footway outside 89 Kingsley Crescent Stonebroom.

Cllr A Brown and Cllr M Green spoke to Cllr B Lewis about problems on Mickley Lane due to the 60mph speed limit, two more cars having been recently written off. Cllr Lewis agreed to hold a discussion on site.

Cllr B Lewis spoke about 'Vision Derbyshire' in response to a question from Cllr G Liggett.

23/10/21 Report from District Councillors:

Cllr H Liggett reported that the Environmental Health department of North East Derbyshire District Council are working to secure the old Church Hall in Shirland and the Enforcement section are looking into what action can be taken.

24/10/21 Reports from Councillors on outside bodies and community groups:

Cllr H Liggett reported that a recent British Legion Riders fundraising barbecue had raised £626.

Cllr B Barnes spoke about a recent meeting of the Stonebroom Community Volunteer Group and the litter pick organised by Rykneld that took place in Stonebroom on 20 October 2021.

Cllr B Barnes reported that a member of the Volunteer Group is interested in running the village youth club. Cllr A Brown and Cllr M Green spoke about recent emails and requests from the group.

The Clerk read out a report from Cllr J Epton; a lady on Common Lane has reported that her electric fencing has been cut on four occasions recently and the Police have been informed. A new Priest in Charge of the United Benefice of Morton and Stonebroom with Shirland hopes to be in place by December and will be residing in the Shirland Rectory in the New Year. The Remembrance Services are to take place on 14th November 2021.

25/10/21 Report from Clerk:

The Clerk informed the meeting that two grave boards, a chain and lock have been stolen from the Cemetery.

The recent post on the Parish Council Facebook page and website asking for volunteers to participate in a community speed watch group has not been successful with only one volunteer coming forward, Cllr M Green stated that she would be interested.

The drainage works have been completed on the sports field at Shirland, the works in the play area are still to be done.

The Neighbourhood Plan area has now been defined by North East Derbyshire District Council and the first meeting is to take place on 1st November 2021.

26/10/21 Dalc Newsletter - October 2021:

Distributed electronically to Councillors.

27/10/21 Correspondence (previously circulated to Councillors):

- Derbyshire County Council response regarding surface dressing works.
- Stonebroom Community Volunteer Group emails and Freedom of Information request, risk assessment for Halloween event, newsletter and minutes of October meeting.
- North East Derbyshire District Council taxi licensing policy consultation.

28/10/21 To consider the following planning applications:

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 Consultation of Parish Council

Application No.:	21/01029/FL	
Proposal:	Erection of two new buildings for manufacturing and storage purposes	
Address:	Unit 14A Stonebroom Industrial Estate	

No comments.

Application No.:	21/01071/TPO	
Proposal:	Application to carry out works to trees covered by NED TPO 102 A1 and A2	
Address:	Land south of 80 to 94 Hallfieldgate Lane Shirland	

No comments.

Application No.:	21/01078/FLH	
Proposal:	Application for single and two storey rear extensions	
Address:	2 Well Lane Higham	

No comments.

Application No.:	21/01086/RM
Proposal:	Reserved matters application pursuant to outline planning permission 17/01033/OL for the access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale for up to 50 dwellings (Major Development)(Amended Plans)
Address:	Land between 1 St Leonards Place and Shirland Primary School Park Lane

No comments.

Application No.:	21/01075/FL	
Proposal:	Application for the extension of existing stable/barn	
Address:	Field south of Byron Grove Stonebroom on the south side	
	of Dog Lane Shirland	

No comments.

Application No.:	21/01192/FLH	
Proposal:	Application for two storey side extension and rear balcony and associated external alterations	
Address:	4 Church View Close Shirland	

The Parish Council are concerned about the scale and massing of the proposed extension.

CIIr P Allsop left the meeting at 9.30pm.

Application No.:	21/01170/FLH	
Proposal:	Proposed new dormer, alterations to existing dormer and conversion of garage to form bathroom and utility space.	
Address:	64 Birkinstyle Lane Shirland	

No comments.

Application No.:	21/01169/FLH	
Proposal:	Single storey rear and front extensions along with associated internal and external alterations	
Address:	154 Main Road Shirland	

No comments.

Notification of Appeal regarding NED/20/00535/FL Ainmoor Grange Caravan and Camping Park Mickley Lane Stretton:

The Clerk to request an extension to the time allowed for comments and to submit a Freedom of Information request to Derbyshire County Council requesting a copy of the Markland Report 1976.

29/10/21 To receive Bank Reconciliation, second quarter budget monitoring report, bank statements and bills for payment:

The bank reconciliation had been circulated prior to the meeting. Cllr A Brown proposed, Cllr D Williamson seconded and it was unanimously agreed that the bank reconciliation be accepted.

The bank statements were presented for signature, the bank balances as at 30.09.2021 were as follows:-

Natwest current account - £500.00

NatWest reserve account - £87593.02

NSI account - £151533.61

The following payments were authorised: -

Payee	Goods	Amount £
LA Landscaping Services	Grass cutting – September 2021	1248.00
North East Derbyshire District Council	Legal fees for z and car park contract Trade waste collection -Stonebroom Pavilion	219.60
	Removal of fly tipping from Stonebroom pavilion	143.78
	Emptying of bins April-June 2021	32.34
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British Gas	Stonebroom Pavilion:- Electricity	
	Gas	48.27
		18.93
O2	Council mobile	34.72
British Telecom	Stonebroom Pavilion Broadband	62.52
Helen Dowson	Weebly (website provider)	13.44
Expenses	Thermometer and cable ties	13.75
	Laminator pouches	3.00

Wages and Salaries including HMRC	3 employees	2232.28
Metro Rod	Call out to pumping station at Shirland Village Hall	180.00
Shelter Maintenance	Bus shelter cleaning	46.02
Waterplus	Stonebroom Pavilion	31.47
Brian Stone expenses	Petrol Service and repairs to mower	13.25 110.00
Campaign to Protect Rural England	Annual membership	36.00
Society of Local Council Clerks	Annual subscription	166.00
British Legion	250 no. lamp post poppies and 2 no. wreaths	784.00
Jobs R Us	Fencing at Cemetery Car Park and Shirland Village Hall Play Area	1817.50
UK Safety	Fixed electrical remedial works	288.00
Management	Replacement of emergency lights	960.00
Roweplant	Drainage works at Shirland Village Hall playing fields	11808.00
R Fraser (A cheque was signed for this in August 2021 in the name of RF Project Engineering, their bank account does not accept cheques, cheque returned)	Stonebroom Pavilion – repairs	136.80

Receipts since last meeting:-

Received:	Amount £
Children's football	80.00
Adult's football Wayleave payment from	17.73
Western Power	
Pre-purchase of ashes plot	250.00
Memorials	134.00

30/10/21 To consider the letter from the Clerk:

Confidential minute refers.

The meeting finished at 9.50pm.