

Shirland and Higham Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting

held at Shirland Village Hall on Thursday 20th October 2022 at 7.00pm

Councillors Present: Cllr Anne Brown (Chair), Cllr Julie Bacon (co-opted agenda item 7), Cllr Barry Barnes, Cllr John Epton, Cllr Michelle Green, Cllr Guy Liggett, Cllr Heather Liggett, Cllr Allistair Lomax, Cllr Geoff Mather, Cllr Mike Roe and Cllr Sue Smith.

In Attendance: Helen Dowson (Clerk & RFO), Cllr Charlotte Cupit, Sarah Sternberg and Donna Jawad from North East Derbyshire District Council and six members of the public.

01/10/22 To consider accepting apologies for absence:

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr David Williamson and Cllr Barry Lewis.

02/10/22 Declarations of Interest from members on any items to be discussed:

None.

03/10/22 To receive and approve requests for dispensations from members on matters in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest:

None.

04/10/22 To determine if any item on the agenda should be taken with the public excluded:

Part of agenda item 7.

05/10/22 To consider for approval the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 29th September 2022:

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

06/10/22 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 A Lomax enquired about the removal of the hanging baskets and the repairs to the guttering at Stonebroom Pavilion.

07/10/22 To consider the applications received for the Councillor vacancy and the co-option of Councillor:

The two applicants present read out their applications and the Clerk read out the application from the applicant that was unable to attend.

Members of the public left the room and Councillors discussed the three applicants.

Members of the public returned to the meeting and a vote was taken. Julie Bacon received the majority over the aggregate number of votes for the two other applicants. Cllr J Bacon took her seat at the table and signed the Declaration of Acceptance.

08/10/22 Report from District Councillors:

Cllr C Cupit reported that a site meeting had been held with an Officer from Derbyshire County Council regarding the siting of the Speed Indicator Devices. The container at Mickley BMX track has now been painted with anti-vandal paint and Rykneld are looking at installing suitable signage. In talks with Derbyshire County Council regarding the provision of additional lighting in the parking area at The Hut. Cllr Cupit spoke about the recent incidents of anti-social behaviour on Main Road Shirland.

Standing Orders were suspended.

09/10/22 To consider information regarding the Stonebroom Community Governance Review from Sarah Sternberg of North East Derbyshire District Council:

Sarah Sternberg and Donna Jawad spoke about the review timetable and answered questions from Councillors.

Standing orders were re-instated, Cllr C Cupit left the meeting.

10/10/22 To consider the Parish Councils response to the Stonebroom Community Governance Review:

Cllr A Brown proposed and Cllr B Barnes seconded the response to be submitted, a vote was taken and seven Councillors were for this action including Councillors Barnes, Lomax and Mather and four Councillors chose to abstain.

'Shirland and Higham Parish Council respect the wishes of the residents of Stonebroom and we look forward to hearing the results of the various consultations taking place throughout the Parish. The Parish Council will abide by whatever decision is made.'

11/10/22 To consider and adopt 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 M Roe proposed, Cllr H Liggett seconded and it was unanimously agreed that the policies be adopted.

12/10/22 To consider the draft budget for the 2023/24 financial year:

Cllr M Roe proposed, Cllr H Liggett seconded and it was unanimously agreed to defer the budget setting until the meeting in January 2023.

13/10/22 To consider the use of the Pavilion for the Food Pantry:

Following a visit to the Pavilion by Councillors Barnes, Brown, Green, Mather and the Clerk a report was given by Cllr B Barnes regarding the condition of the storeroom. Cllr A Brown proposed that due to the large quantity of equipment and materials in the store the Pavilion was unsuitable, Cllr M Green seconded this and it was unanimously agreed. Other options were discussed.

14/10/22 To consider the request for an additional dog waste bin on Chesterfield Road Shirland:

Cllr G Mather proposed, Cllr M Roe seconded and it was unanimously agreed that an order is placed with North East Derbyshire District Council for the siting of a new bin at the junction with Cross Lane.

15/10/22 To consider the request for additional plates to be purchased for the Speed Indicator Devices:

To be considered at the November 2022 meeting.

16/10/22 To consider the renewal of the subscription to the Society of Local Council Clerks:

Cllr A Brown proposed, Cllr H Liggett seconded and it was unanimously agreed that the subscription be renewed.

17/10/22 To consider the renewal of the subscription to the Campaign to Protect Rural England:

Cllr A Brown proposed, Cllr H Liggett seconded and it was unanimously agreed that the subscription be renewed.

18/10/22 To consider the displaying of the anti-littering poster:

Cllr A Brown proposed, Cllr M Green seconded and it was unanimously agreed that posters and signs are ordered. The Clerk to write a thank you letter to the winner of the poster competition.

19/10/22 To consider the report of antisocial behaviour on Main Road Shirland:

Cllr A Brown proposed and Cllr M Roe seconded that the Clerk writes to the Police regarding the reported problem. A vote was taken and this was unanimous except for Cllr A Lomax who chose to abstain.

20/10/22 Report from County Councillor:

No reports.

21/10/22 Reports from Councillors on outside bodies and community groups:

Cllr H Liggett informed the meeting about the Chair of North East Derbyshire District Council's Charity event taking place at Shirland Golf Club on the 2nd of December 2022.

22/10/22: Report from Chair:

The Chair reported that she had attended two meetings of the Community of Shirland and Higham group and a meeting of the Shirland Village Hall Management Committee at which plans for various community events were discussed.

Cllr A Brown mentioned that the Clerk and herself had met with a supplier at Mickley BMX track to discuss the possibility of installing new play equipment.

The Chair, Cllr M Green and the Hut committee are hoping to arrange a residents meeting to try and encourage more people to get involved in the running of The Hut.

23/10/22 Report from Clerk:

The Clerk reported that she had written to three Parish Councils asking if they have the resources to conduct litter picking in the Parish. Currently awaiting a response from Tibshelf Parish Council who are discussing at their next meeting.

Stonebroom School have decided to hold the Outdoor Cinema Event on the school grounds however they would like to thank the Parish Council for their support.

24/10/22 Dalc Newsletter – October 2022:

Previously circulated to Councillors.

25/10/22 Correspondence (previously circulated to Councillors):

North East Derbyshire District Council – Stonebroom Community Governance Review.

Stonebroom Community Volunteer Group – information on Food Pantries.

26/10/22 To consider any planning applications received for comment after the publication of the agenda:

It was agreed to defer the discussion regarding application 22/00886/OL until the November 2022 meeting.

27/10/22 To receive bank reconciliation, bank statements and bills for payment:

The bank reconciliation and the second quarter budget monitoring report had been circulated prior to the meeting. Cllr M Roe proposed, Cllr H Liggett seconded and it was unanimously agreed that these be accepted.

The bank balances as of 30th September 2022 were confirmed:

Natwest current account £1261.00

Natwest reserve account £100475.63

NS&I investment account £151548.76

The following payments were authorised: -

Payee	Goods	Amount £
Helen Dowson Expenses	Weebly (website provider)	16.09
	monthly subscription Padlock	36.07
Wages and salaries including HMRC	3 employees	2417.55

British Telecom	Stonebroom Pavilion: Broadband	68.34
O2	Council mobile	31.46
British Gas	Stonebroom Pavilion: Electricity	62.62
Waterplus	Stonebroom Pavilion: Water	30.95
North East Derbyshire District Council	Annual playground inspections	108.00
	Trade waste - Pavilion	151.06
Society of Local Council Clerks	Annual subscription	186.00
Campaign to Protect Rural England	Annual subscription	36.00
Viking	Paper, 100 no. second class stamps	116.29
Brian Stone Expenses	Petrol	16.45
	Two stroke oil	13.00
Shelter Maintenance	Shelter cleaning	53.46
LA Landscaping Services	Grass Cutting	1800.00
	Ashes Interment	119.00
British Gas **	Stonebroom Pavilion – gas	18.94
Civic Pride **	Lamppost testing for SID's	60.00
Zycomm **	Works to CCTV system at Shirland Village Hall	1239.00
LA Landscaping Services **	Shirland Playing Fields – initial mark out of pitch and installation of goals	1500.00

**Invoice received after publication of the agenda.

Receipts since last meeting:-

Received:	Amount £
Memorial applications	184.00
Wayleave payment from National Grid	17.73

The meeting closed at 8.52pm