

**Shirland and Higham Parish Council**  
**Minutes of the meeting held in Stonebroom Pavillion on**  
**January 19<sup>th</sup> 2015**

**Present:** Cllrs: Mr. B. Barnes (in the Chair) Mrs. A. Brown, Mrs. P. Stevens  
Mrs. J. Bacon, Mr. T. Wild, Mr. S. Jones, Mrs. R. Sowerby  
Mr. J Tomlinson (19:45), Mr. D. Williamson, Mrs. M. Green (19:15)  
T.Tait (Clerk), Two members of public

**Apologies:** Mr. R Moaks

239/14 No member of the council declared any interests on any agenda items. No pecuniary interests were disclosed.

**Police Items 240/14**

In the absence of a police representative the month's crime and anti-social behaviour statistics were presented by the clerk who also informed the Council of his meetings with the local police relating to a number of incidents on the Mickley estate. The application for a Public Space Protection Order was also discussed. Cllr Jones informed council that possible funding for CCTV has been identified. AGREED: The Clerk obtained quotes to identify costs of fixing the separate camera.

**Public Participation 241/14**

Members of the public raised concerns relating to traffic congestion on the A61 at Clay Cross and approaching Alfreton from Shirland. The road works in Higham were also causing problems. Cllr Brown complained that the County Council was not informing Council of planned road works. AGREED: The Clerk writes to County Councillor Lewis about these matters. (Session timed at 10 minutes)

**Continuing Items**

Shirland Village Hall 242/14, (210/14, 180/14)

Quotes have been received for the roof work. The architect and builder will be meeting to discuss a possible schedule of work on the 26<sup>th</sup> January 2015. Cllr Barns and the Clerk will be meeting the Village Hall Committee to discuss the payment of utility bills.

Shirland Cemetery 243/14

No interments. New pricing structure is now in operation.

Dog Bins 244/14

RESOLVED: A new dog bin will be installed at the top of Hallfieldgate Lane at its junction with the A61.

Mickley Bike Track 245/14

The Clerk informed the meeting that despite repeated phone calls to the main contractor, no signage had been erected. He has been assured the signs will be in place by the end of January.

**Vandalism 246/14**

The broken glass in the northbound bus shelter on the A61 has been repaired again. RESOLVED: A suitable toughened glass replacement will be sourced for any further breakages.

**Stonebroom School Wall 247/14**

RESOLVED: Cllr Bacon informed Council that the repairs to the wall have been carried out to a high standard.

**Report From County Councillor 248/14**

None received

**Report from District Councillor 249/14**

Cllr Barnes informed Council that North East Derbyshire's Local Plan will be published in February 2015.

No report received from Cllr Skinner

**Reports from Councillors on Outside Bodies 250/14**

No reports received.

**DALC Circulars 251/14**

All DALC communications have been previously circulated to Councillors.

**Christmas Decorations 2015 252/14**

Cllr Wild presented a proposal to hire solar powered Xmas trees to be erected on selected lampposts in Shirland. Council welcomed the proposal in principle. AGREED: A working group of Cllrs Wild, Williamson and Tomlinson will take the proposal forward and report back to Council with a recommendation.

**Adoption of Phone Box A61/ Hallfieldgate Lane 253/14**

Cllr Williamson proposed that Council approach BT for permission to adopt the phone box with a view to changing the use to a book exchange. AGREED: The Clerk will commence the adoption process with BT and consult with North East Derbyshire District Council.

**Seating at 'Red Arrow' Bus Shelters, Higham 254/14**

A parishioner has requested Council provide seating at the bus stops. AGREED: The parishioner can be supplied with a modified walking stick that can fold into a seat to make his/her wait more comfortable. A Councillor will donate the walking stick.

**Financial Standing Orders 255/14**

RESOLVED: Council unanimously adopted the Financial Standing Orders circulated by the Clerk in December 2014.

**Parish News Letter 256/14**

The Clerk distributed a draft copy of the Newsletter that is scheduled to be published in January 2015.

## Planning Applications 257/14

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

<b>Application Number:</b>	14/01232/FL
<b>Proposal:</b>	Construction of a detached dwelling
<b>Address:</b>	The Paddock Hallfieldgate Lane Shirland Alfreton
<b>Applicant:</b>	*****

No Objections

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

<b>Application Number:</b>	14/01159/FLH
<b>Proposal:</b>	New rear two storey extension including deck area - new front porch including changes to the front boundary treatment and hard standing finishes
<b>Address:</b>	125 Birkinstyle Lane Shirland Alfreton DE55 6BT
<b>Applicant:</b>	*****

No Objections

## December Accounts 258/14

The following accounts were authorized for payment:-

Bill Payments/ Income December 15<sup>th</sup> 2014 to January 19<sup>th</sup> 2015

### Expenditure

Payee	Goods	Amount
AON	Insurance (increased cover for new CCTV)	73.18
Quantum DM	Web Hosting	24.00
Severn Trent	Final bill Mickley Allotments	19.87
Walls	Cemetery Skip Hire	115.00
NEDDC	Litter Bins Mickley	478.37
ASI	Alarm Servicing (Stonebroom Pavillion)	461.64
Richard Savidge	Land Valuation	240.00
T Tait	Expenses	11.70
T Tait	Broadband/ VOIP Calls	20.00
Salaries & Wages	Clerk & Caretaker Salary & Wages	1689.88
HMRC	Tax & National Insurance	576.58

### Income

BT	Rebate	18.11
Donations	Youth Club/Pitch Hire/ Table Tennis	170.00

**Offer to Purchase Land 259/14 (238/14)**

This item was taken with the public excluded. Following receipt of the independent land valuation, Council concluded that the land was of greater value to the parish in its current form and usage than being sold for building development. RESOLVED: The Clerk writes informing the developer of the decision.

The meeting closed at 21:45