

Shirland and Higham Parish Council
Minutes of the Parish Council
held in Higham Farm Hotel, Monday 19th February 2018, 19:00 hrs.

Councillors Present: Mr P Allsop, Mr B Barnes (Chair) Mr Davis, Ms S Smith, Mrs H Liggett, Mr A Lomax, Mr D Williamson, Miss L Williams.

In Attendance: Sally Plummer (Clerk & RFO), Tom Tait (Assistant Clerk), District Cllr C Cupit and 12 members of the public.

1/02/18 To consider for approval the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 18 December 2017: Cllr Davis approved, Cllr D Williamson seconded

2/02/18 To consider accepting apologies for absence: Apologies received from Cllr Skinner, Cllr Lewis

3/02/18 To Record Declarations of Interest: None:

4/02/18 To receive and approve requests for dispensations from members on matters they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest: None

5/02/18 To determine if any item on the agenda should be taken with the public excluded: It was requested that item 20 Finance Update be taken with the public excluded.

6/02/18 Public Participation (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 member of the public raised concerns about flooding on Well Lane. It was agreed that the Parish Council will take up the issue on behalf of the Parishioner. Concerns were also raised about litter within the parish but on Morton Lane and discarded furniture next to a lay by located on Belper Road. The Chair will take up these matters with the Street Scene department.

7/02/18 Town End Sculpture

Sue Gould gave an enlightening presentation of the proposed sculpture. The Chair thanked Sue stating the Council looks forward to the final design.

8/02/18 General Data Protection Regulations

Following a study day, the Clerk gave an overview of the new regulations which will come into force in May 2018.

9/02/18 Retention of Documents

These were unanimously adopted.

10/02/18 Shirland Village Hall Lease

Cllr Williamson confirmed to Council that, following further clarification discussions with the Solicitor the recommendation remains the same which is a five-year lease with a break clause after three years.

11/02/18 Review of Charges – Cemetery – Stonebroom Pavilion and Sports Ground – It was agreed that all charges should be held at current levels. The Assistant Clerk Informed Council that ashes plots were needed in the Cemetery and he proposed that the grass verge along the path into the cemetery be utilised for ashes interment at a cost of £100.00 per plot. Council agreed to

this proposal. It was noted that Stonebroom Pavilion football pitch drainage issues persist and it was agreed that the Clerk would obtain relevant quotes.

12/02/18 Contract for Ground Maintenance 2018-19

The current supplier of grass cutting services will be engaged for another twelve-month period.

13/02/18 Continuing Items

a) "A Nations Tribute" 11 November 2018.

A site for the beacon has been identified and a response from the Diocese is expected soon.

b) Allotments

A rodent problem has been reported at Mickley Allotments. It was re-iterated that vermin control is the responsibility of the respective allotment hirer.

c) Cemetery

The cemetery extension project will be phased with the first phase being the landscaping of the remembrance garden and the first interment plots.

14/02/18 Report from County Councillor

Non-received

15/02/18 -Report from District Councillors - Cllr Cupit and Cllr Barnes gave a briefing on the full Council meeting and draft District Plan respectively. The draft plan will be published shortly.

16/02/18 Report from Councillors on Outside Bodies

Youth Club – A sponsored walk is to be held in aid of Ashgate Hospice.

Problems of flooding still exist in Cleveland Road Stonebroom and Queensway.

17/02/18 DALC Circulars:

03/2018 Circular distributed electronically to Councillors.

18/02/18 Correspondence:

Cllrs expressed reservations on the proposed street names for land adjacent to Town End Shirland. The Clerk reported details of the appeal against refusal of 17/00423/OL- 24 dwellings land East of Fold House Farm, Mickley.

19/02/18 Planning Applications

Application Number:	18/00050/8FLH
Proposal:	Proposed extension to rear over first floor bathroom and construction of balcony to rear at second floor (Revised Scheme of 17/00775/FLH)
Address:	39 Strettea Lane Higham Alfreton DE55 6EJ

No comment

Application Number:	18/00053/OL
Proposal:	Outline application (all matters reserved) for 10 dwellings (Major Development/Departure from Development Plan)
Address:	Land to the North West of 101 Birkinstyle Lane Shirland

Council made the following OBSERVATIONS: Close proximity of electrical overhead cable. Last piece of land on Birkinstyle Lane.

Application Number:	18/00127/LB
Proposal:	Listed building consent for replacement front entrance door and frame and replacement roof covering to existing rear lean to extension (conservation Area)
Address:	26 Main Road Higham Alfreton DE55 6EH

No comment.

Application No: NED 18/00097/CATPO

Notification of intention to fell 1no Pine Tree within the Higham Conservation Area at Ogston. Though not formally consulted on the above the Parish Council would like to state that when planning permission for the garage was granted a more thorough investigation into the effect on this tree should have taken place.

20/02/18 Finance Report

This item was taken with the public excluded. The Clerk appraised Council about possible legal costs the Council will incur should negotiations over a new lease become protracted. Council hoped that progress could be achieved quickly thus keeping legal costs within acceptable levels.

Finance report had been circulated prior to meeting, bank statements and reconciliation presented for signature.

The following payments were authorised: -

Payee	Goods	Amount £
Viking	Stationary and Stamps	136.96*
DALC	Training	100.00
NEDDC	Dog Bins Oct - Dec	753.23
Miller & Miller	Professional Fees in respect of Fiddler & Laverack Charity	303.12
Shelter Maintenance	Bus Shelter & Kiosk cleaning	58.10
Sally Plummer	Telephone/Broadband	24.00
Tom Tait	Office Line rental & Broadband	47.50
Staff salaries	Four employees	1802.56

*Denotes items presented at previous meeting for late approval.