

Shirland and Higham Parish Council
Minutes of the Parish Council
held in Stonebroom Pavilion, Monday 19th June 2017, 19:00

Councillors Present: Mr P Allsop, Dr A Lomax, Mr D Williamson, (Chair) Mr S Davies, Mr T Wild, Mrs H Liggett

In Attendance: Tom Tait (Assistant Clerk), District Councillor C Cupit, thirty-six members of the public.

1/6/17 To consider for approval the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 15 May 2017: Cllr Allsop approved, Cllr Davies seconded the minutes

2/6/17 To consider accepting apologies for absence: Apologies received from District Cllr Skinner, Cllr Barnes, Cllr Ms S Smith, Mrs S Plummer

3/6/17 To Record Declarations of Interest: None recorded

4/6/17 To receive and approve requests for dispensations from members on matters they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest: No requests

5/6/17 To determine if any item on the agenda should be taken with the public excluded: At the request of the Chair item 18, Human Resources will be taken with the public excluded.

6/6/17 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):

The Assistant Clerk had previously asked those members who wished to speak to identify themselves so the time available could be allocated fairly and equitably. The session was taken up by three main topics vis; parking on Goose Green and two planning applications relating to Stonebroom – Application Numbers 17/00566/OL & 17/00585/OL. Several points were raised which the Chair assured the meeting will be passed on to NEDDC as part of the Parish Council's submission to the planning process.

7/6/17 Review of Allotments: The Assistant Clerk informed the meeting that certain allotments were identified as requiring some work to ensure the environment is safe and tidy. The Chair reiterated the Council's objective to work in partnership with allotment renters to improve the quality of the allotments and as such Cllr Lomax agreed to lead this initiative.

8/6/17 Pride in Parish awards: It was agreed that the Assistant Clerk design an on-line consultation on this topic and review at the next meeting.

9/6/17 Shirland Hall Village Lease: This has been passed to the Council's Solicitor to draw up draft Heads of Terms for Council to discuss at a future meeting.

10/6/17 Shirland Cemetery Planning Application: Is now in the final stages of development and it is envisaged the final application will be submitted to NEDDC sometime in July 2017. In discussions, it was noted that dog fouling in the cemetery was still presenting problems.

11/6/17 Continuing Items

a) Play areas: Inspections currently being undertaken. The RFO has been liaising with suppliers on the new play equipment for under 5 year olds at Stonebroom and will present a scheme to Council at the next meeting.

- b) Mining Memorial: Currently awaiting the contractor to weld the rails to the wagon which will be bolted into the concrete base.
- c) A Nation's Tribute: The original supplier has been chosen to complete the work.

12/6/17 Report from County Councillor: None received

13/6/17 Report from District Councillor: Cllr Cupit informed the meeting on planning matters affecting the Parish.

14/6/17 Reports from Councillors on Outside Bodies: Concern was raised about dog fouling and the maintenance of planters. The Assistant Clerk stated that new anti-fouling signs have been purchased and will be sited in problem areas. Cllr Liggett agreed to help maintain the planters on the A61 opposite St Leonards Church.

15/6/17 DALC Circulars: None to circulate.

16/6/17 Correspondence: The Assistant Clerk read out an email received from a Parishioner complaining about the lack of a football pitch in Shirland. Although offered the Council's facilities at Stonebroom this was rejected due to the Parishioner's perception of Stonebroom.

17/6/17 To consider the following planning applications

Application 17/00566/OL
Comments The Parish Council shares Parishioners concerns about access to this development, and need to maintain a break between the villages of Stonebroom and Shirland. Would Pasture Lane be suitable to support the volume of traffic during construction and upon completion? Is this suitable for an un-adopted road?
 Councillors accept that houses need to be built in the Parish but due consideration must be given to existing health, education and social services.

Application 17/00571/FL
Comments The Parish Council would support this for Health and Safety reasons however it must be in keeping with the building.

Application 17/00608/FL
Comments No comment

Application 17/00585/OL
Comments At the meeting of the Parish Council the following points were considered: -

- Would access from West Street offer an increased visibility splay?
- Egress from Quarry Lane is in very close proximity to the crossing point for the school and bus stops.
- Added congestion at school opening/lunch/closing times.
- Concerns were raised about the health and safety issues during construction which may impact on the school.
- There are serious issues with access which has in the past has impacted on emergency service vehicles as a direct result of excessive parking in the immediate vicinity.
- Size of the development was considered too large for the area.
- The Public footpath to Morton would be affected

- A Parishioner queried how this is reflected the proposed local plan.

Councillors accept that houses need to be built in the Parish but due consideration must be given to existing health, education and social services.

18/6/17 Personnel Matters

This was deferred to the next meeting.

19 /6/17 To Receive Finance Report, Bank Statements and Bills for Payment:

The Clerk/RFO was absent. A statement for the first 3 months of the financial year will be presented at the July meeting.

The bank statements and bank reconciliation were presented and signed.

The following payments were made: -

Payee	Goods	Amount £
B Stone	Fuel for mowers	11.99*
T J Property	Repairs to emergency lighting	1008.00*
Zurich Insurance	Insurance 2017/18	3708.50*
Shirland Parish Association	S137	200.00*
B Barnes	Travel expenses	50.00*
Stonebroom PCC	S137	200.00*
T Allen Engineering Services	Beacon – pro-forma invoice	834.00**
BT DD	Broadband Stonebroom	26.28
BT DD	Line rental – Stonebroom	45.47
British Gas DD	Gas – Pavilion	28.51
British Gas DD	Electricity Pavilion	210.31
Joanne Taylor	Internal Audit	139.40
NEDDC	Pump – April	56.80
	Pump – May	56.80
	Sweep Car Park	205.15
	Trade Waste – Cemetery	232.96
	New Dog Waste Bin	309.17
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	Total	1170.05
Viking	Stamps	56.00
	Stationery	76.69
Bus Shelter Maint. Ltd	Repair to Stonebroom Shelter	286.80
Turning Leaves	Mickley 15.5.17	216.00
	Shirland 24.5.17	180.00
	Stonebroom 24.5.17	180.00
	Mickley 1.6.17	216.00

	Shirland 9.6.17	180.00
	Stonebroom 9.6.17	180.00
	Triangle 18.5.17	72.00
	Triangle 30.5.17	72.00
	Total	1296.00
T Tait	Office allowance April - June	50.00
S Plummer	Telephone	24.00
T Tait	Telephone	28.00
S Plummer	Conifer/postage/padlock	15.71
Wages & Salaries	4 employees & HMRC	2482.65

*Denotes items presented at previous meeting for late approval.

** Denotes retrospective approval