

## Minutes & Proceedings of the Finance & General Purposes Committee Meeting

### Held at the Community Centre Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2018

**Present** Cllr D, North (Chair) Cllr P Ford (vice chair), D, Dyson, J Giles, P Makinson, J Walker, (Clerk)

**94. Apologies for absence** were received from Cllrs B Lee and K Wicks.

**95. Minutes of the previous meeting**, held Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January were read.

**96. Matters arising** from the minutes of the previous meeting.

**37 D.** Cllr R Booker said the route to school footpath is very uneven and tree roots are lifting the tarmac. The chair said he would speak to the school to discuss what can be done regarding the trees. The chair said he has enquired but received no response yet.

It was agreed that the Parish Council should write to Shafton Primary Academy. To put on record its communications regarding the trip hazards along the walk to school. Which runs along the rear Boundary of Shafton Primary Academy.

The clerk wrote to Shafton Primary Academy on 11<sup>th</sup> October 2017 and the chair has visited the school on at least three occasions. Despite our best efforts to open discussions on this matter The Academy hasn't responded in any way. The clerk was asked to write again to the academy. The clerk suggested putting the matter into the hands of the ward councillors.

The meeting agreed to write to the chair of governors if we hadn't received a response by the end of this week.

A letter has been received from Shafton Primary Academy regarding damage caused to the footpath. This is in reply to our second letter dated 16<sup>th</sup> November 2017. The letter asks that The Parish Council confirms it will be willing to sort out the tarmacking if they remove the trees. The chair said The Parish Council agreed to maintain the footpath when it was originally surfaced.

It was agreed to get estimates for the resurfacing works before contacting the academy again.

**74 D.** Cllr P Makinson asked if Tucker & Son had a new agreement with VOSA regarding lorry movements. The clerk was asked to contact VOSA to enquire.

The clerk will ask if they have made changes to their operator's license.

It was agreed that the clerk would submit a complaint form to the traffic commissioner.

**91 D.** Received from first impressions two estimates as follows: -

Supply and maintain 14No summer hanging baskets at a cost of £55.00 + vat per basket.

Total £924.00 incl vat.

Supply and fit 1No bracket £25.00 + vat. Supply and maintain 1No summer hanging basket £55.00 + vat. Each additional hanging basket will be £96.00 incl vat.

**97. Ratification of the minutes of the previous meeting.**

**97 A.** Proposed ratification Cllr J Giles seconded by Cllr P Ford. The minutes of the F & G meeting held on the 8<sup>th</sup> January 2018 are ratified.

**98. Accounts for payment.** Cheques to the total value of £2176.01 were approved for signing. Cheques were signed by Cllrs D North and P Ford.

**99. Monthly Statement of Accounts.** The clerk produced a statement of Receipts and Payments up to and including the month of January 2018. Direct debits are – British gas, gas supply £427.42. British Gas, electricity supply £331.57. Total direct debits £758.99. Cheques were made payable to Cllr P Ford for Rock salt £110.00, SYPA ex clerks pension £77.79. Card payment to KDA warehouse for cleaning sundries £28.08.

Total expenditure for January 2018 £3421.17. Total income for 2018 £469.59.

Members accepted the figures and the clerk was thanked accordingly.

**100. Correspondence.**

**100 A.** Received from Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council the request for Parish Councils to notify them of the amount required in the forthcoming financial year.

**100 B.** Received the monthly invoice from SYPA for the ex-clerks pension of £77.79.

**100 C.** Received from BMBC electoral services monthly update of electors.

**101. Any other business.**

**101 A.** The chair proposed that there should be no increase in the parish precept this year. The proposal was seconded by Cllr P Ford. The meeting voted unanimously in favour of the proposal. The proposal is carried.

**101 B.** Cllr P Ford proposed that charges for user groups and allotment tenants remain the same as previous years rate. The proposal was seconded by Cllr D Dyson. The meeting voted unanimously in favour of the proposal. The proposal is carried.

**101 C.** Cllr P Ford distributed copies of a draft summer work schedule for the caretaker for comments. The chair said we also need to go back to a time sheet for the caretaker. And asked the clerk to look at producing one.

**101 D.** The clerk reported that the boiler in the changing rooms has broken down and Mr G Lawton has given a price of £250.00 to carryout repairs. And asked if it would be better to replace it with a boiler big enough to run the showers. The chair asked how much a new boiler would be the clerk said the one in the boiler room was approx. £2000.00. It was agreed to get more estimates.

**102. Date of next meeting.** 5<sup>th</sup> March 2018 at 07.00pm.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 08.00pm.