

Finance and General Purposes Committee.

Shafton Community Centre.

At 06.00pm on Monday 7 June 2021.

Minutes

Present Cllr D, North (Chair), J Giles, P Makinson (Vice chair), P Archer, R Booker, L Holt and D Gill, (Clerk)

24. Welcome and introductions.

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

25. Apologies for absences

Apologies were received from B Lee, K Wick and P Ford.

26. Declaration of pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest

None received.

27. Minutes of the previous meeting held at the Community Centre Held on Monday 10 May 2021 6pm

The minutes of the previous meeting were read.

28. Matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting.

15 Various Parking problems continue:

Parking on the green space opposite Two Gate Fishery at Shafton Two Gates, The Clerk stated he had reported the issue to BMBC Highways and request permission to erect planters to deter parking. No response received. The meeting agreed to leave this issue for BMBC as it is their land.

Parking problems continue on the High St Shafton between Shafton Working Men's club and the Shafton Primary School. The Clerk to request a site meeting with Highways to discuss the installation of yellow lines, Highways responded by email on the 18 May

The only way to remove such parking as described in the enquiry would be the introduction of waiting/parking restrictions (yellow lines). In order to implement such a scheme however, would require a Traffic Regulation Order (a Legal Order) to be drawn up; meaning the full legal process would have to be followed. This is not only a very lengthy process, but is also a very costly one.

Unfortunately, as part of the continued pressure on highway service budgets, the Department for Transport has substantially reduced the monies available to the Council for all highway matters. This in turn has led to the dedicated budget for parking restrictions, including yellow lines, currently being reduced to zero. The only money available for traffic measures is the road safety budget and this is targeted to sites on a 'worst first' basis.

Cllr P Makinson stated he reported the issue to traffic enforcement and hopefully they would carry out some patrols

9b) Hanging baskets,

The Clerk reported that 6 hanging basket have so far been sponsored.
The clerk reported that he had received a quotation of £30 from Turner signs for the plaques. The meeting agreed to proceed with the quotation. Unanimous

10). Correspondence.

APPLICATION NO: 2021/0336 Residential development of 43 dwellings. The Clerk reported that he had emailed Development Control requesting a site meeting and had a response back stating that due to work load and leave issues they would arrange a meeting in a few weeks' time Clerk to follow up.

21a. Sandybridge Lane

Cllr North requested the Clerk ask Barnsley Council for an update regarding the illegal tipping situation at Sandybridge Lane. The Clerk reported he is currently in the process of arranging a site meeting.

29. Ratification of the minutes of the previous meeting.

Proposed Paul Archer, Seconded Janice Giles Agreed unanimous.

30. Annual Governance and Accountability return 2020/21 Part 3

A. Annual Internal Audit report.

Kingfisher Accountants independent examination of Shafton Parish Councils accounts for the year ended 31 March 2021 report letter was presented to the Council, the letter stated that:

In connection with my examination, no issues have come to my attention and therefore conclude that the accounting records and therefore Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Parish Council.

Kingfisher Accountants independent examination Agreed unanimous.

The Annual Internal Audit report was presented to the council and approved.
Proposed Paul Archer, Seconded Pete Makinson. Agreed unanimous.

B. Section 1 Annual Governance Statement 2010/21

The Annual Governance statement was presented to the council and approved.
Proposed Paul Archer, seconded Pete Makinson. Agreed unanimous.

C. Section 2 Annual Governance Accounting Statements 2020/21

The Annual Governance Accounting Statements 2020/21 was presented to the council and approved. Proposed Janice Giles, seconded Les Holt. Agreed unanimous.

31. Accounts for payment.

The Clerk reported the following invoices required approval for payment:

31.1 Carousel Holdings £750 +Vat £150 = £900. The meeting greed to put this payment on hold and await further details. R Booker to follow up.

31.2 Kingfisher Accountant's £300 +Vat £60 = £360 Approved for payment .Agreed unanimous.

31.3 Unique electrical £442 + VAT £88.4 = £530.40 Approved for payment .Agreed unanimous.

Proposed Paul Archer and Seconded by Les Holt

32. Monthly statement of accounts.

The opening balance as at 1st April 2020 was £49208

- The total income for the period from 1 April 2021 to 31 May 2021 was £43098
- The total expenditure for the period 1 April 2021 to 31 May 2021 £5924
- Giving a closing balance of £86382

Agreed unanimous.

Proposed R Booker and Seconded by J Giles

33. Items for Decision/ recommendations to the council

None

34. Correspondence.

The Clerk presented an email from Ruth Bullivant-Layton Group Scout Leader 33rd Barnsley Scout Group requesting that they be allowed to site a storage container in Shafton Park. The meeting agreed subject to a site meeting.

35. Any other business.

Various members said they had received complaints from members of the public and on facebook regarding the locking of the park gate at 6pm. The Chair stated this was because of the antisocial behaviour however this behaviour has slowed down and it may be worth reconsidering the closing time. P Makinson suggested locking the gate at 8pm for a trial period. The Chair said it may be difficult for the volunteer who locks the gate to keep to a fixed time.

36. Date and time of next meeting.

To be confirmed