

Finance and General Purposes Committee.

Shafton Community Centre.

At 06.00pm on Monday 9 August 2021.

Minutes

Present Cllr D, North (Chair), J Giles, P Archer, P Ford and D Gill, (Clerk)

49. Welcome and introductions.

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

50. Apologies for absences

Apologies were received from B Lee, L Holt, P Makinson (Vice chair), R Booker and K Wick.

51. Declaration of pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest

None received.

52. Minutes of the previous meeting held at the Community Centre Held on Monday 12 July 2021

The minutes of the previous meeting were read.

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

28.1 Various Parking problems continue:

Parking problems continue on the High St Shafton between Shafton Working Men's club and the Shafton Primary School. The area is a walk to school route and is affecting public safety.

The Clerk stated he had written to the Police requesting action to resolve the issue and as yet had no reply as the area Sargent is on leave until 15 August. The Clerk was requested to write to the Divisional Commander and request a site meeting with a representative of the SYP.

28.2) Hanging baskets

Following a complaint regarding the poor state of the Shafton Hanging baskets First Impressions have issued an apology: The Parish Council has accepted First Impressions offer of no charge for this year's displays, it further agreed to reimburse any hanging basket sponsors for this year displays.

28.3. Sandybridge Lane

Following the site meeting between members of the Parish Council, Barnsley MBC and the Environment Agency regarding various waste and planning issues at Sandybridge Lane investigations are now taking place... The Clerk stated he had emailed both agencies for an update however both officers dealing with the issue were on were on leave. Clerk to send reminder to each organisation.

45.1 Shafton walking maps – exploratory walk.

This project has been grant funded by the North East Ward Alliance to produce and print set of Shafton Heritage Walking Maps. Cllr Paul Archer stated to walk had gone well and there was an opportunity to expand the project to include QR codes which would allow people with phones to scan the codes and obtain the history of the Shafton together with old photographs of Shafton.

45.2 Tracy Smith Summer fayre event

It was reported the event went well and was well attended.

54. Ratification of the minutes of the previous meeting.

Proposed Pat Ford, seconded by Janice Giles, Agreed unanimous.

55. Accounts for payment.

The Clerk reported the following invoices required approval for payment:

- Barnsley MBC Grounds Maintenance £544.07 (includes VAT)

Agreed unanimous

- South Yorkshire Pensions Ex clerk £89.4

Agreed unanimous

- The Clerk stated the Parish had received a payment of £192 from Barnsley MBC in error for the hire of the Community Centre as polling station. The payment should have gone to the Shafton Working Men's Club. The SWM Club steward has agreed that the Parish can reimburse the Club directly.

The meeting agreed to pay Shafton Working Men's club the £192.

56. 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 30 June 2021 was £47957.53
- The total expenditure for the period 1 April 2021 to 31 May 2021 £13672.73
- Giving a closing balance of £83493.69

57. Items for Decision/ recommendations to the Council

The Parish has received notice that its Long term insurance agreement is due for renewal on 01/10/2021.

The meeting agreed to seek further comparative insurance quotes from an insurance broker.

58. Correspondence.

Recycling Solutions Ltd

The Parish has received a request from Recycling Solutions Ltd to place a textile bank in the car park at Shafton Community Centre. the company work with Yorkshire Air Ambulance as their selected sole textile recycling provider across the entire Yorkshire region, helping the charity raise funds through the collection of old textiles.

The meeting agreed to defer to decision until the next meeting when more Parish member would be attending.

North East Ward Alliance wish to initiate a Section 106 sub group.

The Clerk stated he had received correspondence from the North East Ward Alliance wishing to initiate a Section 106 sub group, with the purpose to identify & develop proposals for suitable projects in the North East Ward area.

The North East Ward Alliance are currently accepting applications from residents to join the S106 sub group as 'community representatives'

The Clerk stated he would be happy to volunteer for the role subject to no other members being interested. The meeting agreed the Clerk should email all parish councillors to ascertain interest in the role.

59. Any other business.

Community Centre Rent

A discussion took place regarding the current rent for the Community Centre. The chair requested that Clerk carry out a review of the charges and ascertain what times and facilities each organisation used with in the Centre. Members would then make a decision on the charges.

60. Date and time of next meeting.

Monday 13 September 2021 6pm Shafton Community Centre.