

## Public meeting of Shafton Parish Council

Monday 31 January 2022

# Minutes

### Present

CLlr Dave North (Chair), CLlr R Booker, CLlr B Lee, CLlr K Wicks CLlr Les Holt and D Gill (Clerk to the Council)

### 36. Welcome and introductions

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

### 37. Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received CLlr P Archer, CLlr P Ford, CLlr P Makinson (Vice Chair), and CLlr Mrs J Giles,

### 38. Declaration of pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest. (Disclosures of Interests)

None received.

### 39. Minutes of the previous meeting, held on Monday 25 October 2021.

The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 25 October 2021 were read.

### 40. Matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting.

#### 30.1 Sandybridge Lane

The Clerk stated he had received an email from Merith Halliwell from the Environment Agency asking the Parish to clarify all the issues of concern regarding the site and whether anything new has happened since we met in July?

CLlr Anita Cherryholme to follow up.

#### 30.2 Police matters

CLlr Cherryholme suggested inviting Inspector Peter Spratt to the next meeting. The Clerk stated he had sent an invitation to Inspector Peter Spratt and was awaiting a response.

#### 31.1 Christmas tree lights switch on event

The Chair reported that the Christmas tree lights switch on event had been very successful and everyone enjoyed it.

#### 32.1 Planning Application 2021/1279

Planning Application for the proposed 18m high telecommunications street pole and associated equipment on Dog Hill, Shafton. It was reported that this application had been turned down.

### **34.2 Community Centre gate**

The chair stated the opening and locking of the Community Centre gate relied on volunteers and advised it was best to leave this to the discretion of the volunteers.

Agreed

### **34.3 Traffic lights Shafton Crossroads**

The Clerk reported that highways have slightly altered the traffic light sequence on Shafton Crossroads to allow a better flow of traffic.

## **41. Ratification of the minutes of the previous meeting.**

The minutes were agreed

## **42. Business items**

### **42.1 The Queen's Diamond Jubilee celebration**

The Queen's diamond jubilee celebration will take place over a four-day bank holiday Thursday 2 June to Sunday 5 June the Parish asking for ideas to celebrate the occasion.

The clerk reported that Cllr P Makinson was investigating the possibility of an event in the recreation ground. Cllr Cherryholme to liaise with Shafton Event Group to see if it was possible for both groups to work together.

### **42.2 Shafton Parish Council small community grants**

The Clerk reported that the Parish had set up a small community grants system for applications up to and including £150

The primary objective of the small grants fund is to encourage Social Action across Shafton.

Applications will be considered by Shafton Parish Council Finance and General-Purpose Committee at any time of the financial year on a first come first served basis.

## **43. Public questions, comments or representations**

**43.1** A member of the public asked if it was possible to have a Zebra crossing installed by Sainsbury's for safety reasons.

Cllr Ennis to raise it with Highways.

**43.2** A member of the public asked for barriers to be put in on the footpath by the school to deter motor bikes.

Cllr D North to inspect

**43.3** A member of the public requested that the road gullies in Shafton be cleaned out.

Cllr A Cherryholme to follow up.

**43.4** A member of the public reported bikes were churning up the grass on Shafton Green.

**43.5** A member of the public requested that the small overhanging tree be cut back on the bottom footpath Cllr Dave North to ask the Caretaker to investigate.

**44. Correspondence.**

None

**45. Any other business.**

**45.1** Cllr Ennis reported that Carol Foster from Age UK would be retiring shortly and asked if Shafton Parish Council would send a letter of thanks to her for all her hard work.

**45.2** Cllr Dave North and Cllr Les Holt thanked Cllr Anita Cherryholme and Cllr Jeff Ennis for their attendance

**46. Date and time of next meeting.**

Monday 28 February 7pm Shafton Community Centre