

Shafton Parish Council
Finance and General Purposes Committee.
Shafton Community Centre.
06.00pm on Monday 10 January 2022
Minutes

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

109. Welcome and introductions

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

110. Apologies for absences.

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

111. Declaration of pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest.

None received.

112. Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting held at the Community Centre Held on Monday 10 December 2021. were read.

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

Various Parking problems continue:

The Clerk presented a draft letter to residents on the High Street requesting more considerate parking. The meeting agreed the draft letter.

Sandybridge Lane

The Clerk reported that on the 22 December he had had a response from Merith Halliwell at the Environment Agency stating that: *At the moment I have nothing new to report. Our planned visit has still not been rearranged. I've emailed Paul again and hopefully he and I can get something booked in as soon as possible in January and then we can provide some feedback to you.*

Various Police issues

At the last meeting the chair requested that the Clerk write to the Superintendent regarding the slow response by the police to reports of criminal activity. The Clerk suggested instead to invite Inspector Pratt to update a public meeting on the work on the Police.

Agreed unanimous.

114. Ratification of the minutes of the previous meeting.

Agreed unanimous.

115. Accounts for payment.

- South Yorkshire Pensions Ex clerk £89.4

116. Monthly statement of accounts.

The Clerk presented the following statements of accounts to the meeting:

- December Bank statement
- December Financial summary
- December Bank Account Reconciled Statement
- December Paid Expenditure Transactions

Financial summary

- The opening balance as at 1st April 2020 was £49208.89
- The total income for the period from 1 April 2021 to 31 December 2021 was £51,864.58
- The total expenditure for the period 1 April 2021 to December was £35353.36
- Giving a closing balance of for the Instant access and Direct Plus account of £65720.11

117. Items for Decision/ recommendations to the council/business matters

117.1 Request for nomination - Park Springs Wind Farm

The Clerk stated that Shafton Parish Council had received an invitation from the South Yorkshire Community Foundation for a nomination for representation from Shafton Parish Council for the Park Springs Wind Farm panel

Cllr P Makinson volunteered for this role and the meeting Agreed unanimous.

117.2 New Community Kitchen up date

Cllr R Booker provide the meeting with a schedule of works for the new Community Kitchen.

- January 18 and 19 Old kitchen to be removed
- January 21 floor skimming to begin
- January 24 Kitchen fitting to begin it is anticipated this will take approximately one week

The Chair asked if Cllr R Booker had informed Playworks and Tots Explore of the schedule of works Cllr Booker confirmed she had done this.

A discussion took place regarding the floor covering and it was agreed that Cllr R Booker would contact Tony Glue to obtain a price for the works.

118. Correspondence.

118.1 Hanging baskets

Correspondence has been received from Paul Hamby at First Impressions with an invitation to order hanging baskets for this coming season, Paul Hamby stated in his email:

Please ignore the part about the price increase for this year, because of the disappointing baskets in shafton last year we are holding the price for your council. I will personally guarantee your displays will be first out and of a good quality.

The meeting agreed unanimously to proceed with ordering 23 hanging baskets as per last year, The meeting also agreed to continue with the sponsorship scheme and order more baskets if the sponsorships outstrip the original order.

Agreed unanimous.

118.2 Christmas lamp post motifs

Correspondence has been received from Blachere Illumination UK with a 2-4-1 sale on ex hire, refurbished Christmas lamp post motifs. A discussion took place and it was agreed to purchase approximately £1000's worth of Illuminations. A selection of Illuminations was then made.

Agreed unanimous.

119. Any other business.

Cllr Les Holt requested that the Clerk on behalf of Shafton Parish Council send a letter of thanks to Carolyn Nicholls Case Management Officer in Barnsley MBC and Andrew xxx for his excellent work in tidying up the fly tipped rubbish behind the Shafton Chemist

Agreed unanimous.

Cllr R Booker reported that a speed camera on Sandybridge Lane was not working and suggested that the Parish write to Highways to notify them of the situation. Clerk to contact highways.

Agreed unanimous.

120. Date and time of next meeting.

Monday 14 February 2022 6pm