

Shafton Parish Council
Finance and General Purposes Committee.
Shafton Community Centre.
06.00pm on Monday 14 February 2022
Minutes

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

120. Welcome and introductions

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

121. Apologies for absences.

Apologies were received from P Ford, and B Lee.

122. Declaration of pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest.

None received.

123. Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting held at the Community Centre Held on Monday 10 January 2022 were read.

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

Various Parking problems continue:

The Clerk confirmed he had delivered the letter asking residents to Park more responsibly

Sandybridge Lane

The Clerk reported that Cllr Cherryholme had followed the Sandybridge Lane issue up with planning and officers from Barnsley MBC will report back after a site visit.

Various Police issues

The Clerk confirmed Inspector Pratt had agreed to attend the public meeting on 28 March 2022 to update the Parish on work on the Police and take questions.

125. Ratification of the minutes of the previous meeting.

Agreed unanimous.

126. Accounts for payment.

- South Yorkshire Pensions Ex clerk £89.4
- Carousel Holding (Works to New Community Kitchen) £5000
- Tony glue Carpet fitter (new floor to Community Kitchen) £300
- Barnsley MBC £3310.10 (erection and removal of Christmas lights)

Agreed unanimous.

127. Monthly statement of accounts.

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

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

Financial summary

- The opening balance as at the 1st April 2020 was £49208.89
- The total income for the period from 1 April 2021 to 31 January 2022 was £52540.58
- The total expenditure for the period 1 April 2021 to December was £38998.72
- Giving a closing balance of for the Instant access and Direct Plus account of £62750.75

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

Precept and Budget setting Report 2022-2023

A draft budget was provided for consideration/amendment by the council which included recommendations on the usual running costs, but also required members to consider what services it wishes to provide and how these will be funded through the budget 2022/23.

A discussion took place regarding the Precept and Budget setting Report 2022-2023

It was proposed:

Not to increase Shafton Parish Council Tax Precept 2022/Parish requirement keeping it the same precept as last year £41674

Agreed

To approve the Precept and Budget setting Report 2022-2023 and budget for the next financial year 2022/23

Agreed

Hire charges

Monthly rent for the two childcare play groups £330 per month each

It was proposed to reduce the hire charges for the community centre to £6 per hour for weekends and evenings this to apply to community users and the two childcare play groups renting on a long-term basis.

Community users to have priority for bookings at weekends

The remaining hire charges to have a zero increase

Agreed

Grounds maintenance contract

Barnsley MBC would like to offer a new grounds maintenance grass cutting contract for 2022-23 at a total cost of £928.39 + Vat this includes for 10 cuts by tractor and 8 cuts for other grass.

Agreed

- **Proposed new Clerk's Lap top computer**

The Clerk proposed the purchase of a new Clerk's Lap top computer as the current laptop was nine years old. The purchase of the laptop had been previously accounted for in the 2021-2022 budget. It was proposed to purchase Dell lap pc at a cost of £429 plus a Set up bundle cost of £179 including Microsoft 365McAlfee life save Cloud Back up Full Pc set up. Total cost £608

Agreed

129. Correspondence.

None

130. Any other business.

Cllr P Makinson outlined his proposals for a music event to mark the Queen jubilee and proposed Shafton Parish Contribute £1000 toward the event costs.

Agreed unanimous.

It was proposed that Clerk help draft an application from Shafton Parish and apply to the Northeast Ward for a further £1000 grant towards the event using the Shafton Parish contribute of £1000 as match funding.

Agreed

131. Date and time of next meeting.

Monday 14 March 2022 6pm