

Public meeting of Shafton Parish Council

Minutes

Monday 24 April 7pm 2023. Shafton Community Centre

Present

Parish Councillors Cllr Dave North (Chair), Cllr P Archer, Cllr J Johnson, Cllr Barry Lee, Cllr J Johnson, Cllr S Ellis, and D Gill (Clerk to the Council)

Welcome and introductions.

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and stated that this will be his last public meeting of Shafton Parish Council as he will be retiring after 38 years of service.

2. Apologies for absence

Cllr D Hall and Cllr Linda Knight

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

None

4. Minutes of the previous meeting, held on Monday 27 March 7pm 2023

The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 27 March 7pm 2023 were read.

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

69.1 Speeding Cars -

Unknown ownership of the Dog Hill speed indicator device which does not work.

A member of the Public suggested contacting Sgt Wilson to ascertain if it belongs to the police. Clerk to enquire.

The Clerk confirmed he had written to the Chief constable and requested action to reduce speeding within the village.

92.3 Keep Britain tidy Spring Clean, The Great British Spring Clean from 17 March - 2 April 2023.

The Chair stated the event had been successful.

94.1 Drop kerb access path by school

A member of the public requested that a drop kerb be installed near the school end of the path to assist disabled access.

Cllr North and Cllr Ellis to investigate- ongoing.

104.3 Traffic lights Two gates cross roads.

Complaint about the traffic light signalling at the Two gates cross roads.

Cllr Wicks stated he had tried to contact Highways on several occasions but could not get through.

6. Ratification of the minutes of the previous meeting.

The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed.

7. Business items

7.1 Community notice board

Cllr Wicks confirm the Singing Man pub had given permission to locate the notice board on their premises.

8. Public Questions

None

9. Correspondence.

None

10. Any other business.

10.1 Horse Safety Access/Signage.

Ms Julie Field announced good news, that she had received support from Barnsley MBC manager Clair Dawson who was willing to encompass her campaign of improving horse access to public footpaths and old railway lines into the Dearn Valley improvement project.

South Yorkshire Mounted Police have also offered support to educate the public.

The chair stated this was positive news.

10.2 Shafton Chemist

Cllr B Lee made known that the Chemist in Shafton will be closed for 3 days in May :

1 May, 8 May, and the 28 May

10.3 Plumpton Park Fencing

Cllr B Lee stated that the wooded fencing around the park needed repairing. Clerk to report.

10.4 Anti-social behaviour Parish recreation ground

A member of the public stated that there had been Anti-social with youths sitting on fencing in the recreation ground to rear of Beech Road and further requested that the fencing post be removed.

Site visit to be arranged.

10.5 Dog Hill Community Centre –

A member of the public raised concerns over cars parking over a drop kerb outside the community centre making access difficult.

Clerk to write to the Community Centre

10.6 Access Footpath between Acacia Grove and Primary School

A member of the public stated that a resident had tripped over tree roots and hurt themselves on the footpath between Acacia Grove and Primary School. The tree roots were coming from the trees belonging to the school.

Cllr K Wicks suggest a local engineering firm may be interested in repairing the path through volunteer work. Cllr K Wicks to investigate.

10.7 Cllr D North and Cllr P Archer Retirement from Parish Council

The Clerk thanked Cllr Dave North and Cllr P Archer and wished them all the very best for a long, happy, and healthy retirement and thank them for their fantastic service to the Council and the village community.

The Chair thanked everybody in attendance for their support, but it had come time for him to retire.

Meeting closed 8:45

11 . Date and time of next meetings.

Annual General Meeting Monday 22 May 7pm

Monday 26 June 7pm