

## Public meeting of Shafton Parish Council

# Minutes

Monday 29 January 2024. Shafton Community Centre

### Present

Parish Councillors Cllr Ruth Booker, (Chair) Cllr Jim Johnson, (Vice Chair) Cllr Steve Ellis, Cllr Dave Hall, Cllr Pete Makinson, Cllr Janice Giles, Cllr Linda Kight and David Gill (Clerk to the Council)

Elected member Cllr Ashley Peace, Cllr Jeff Ennis, Cllr Dorothy Coates

### 61. Welcome and introductions.

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

### 62. Apologies for absence

None received.

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

None

### 64. Minutes of the previous meeting, held on Monday 27 November 7pm 2023

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

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

#### 48.5 Shafton Parish Bowling Green maintenance issues

The Clerk reported that the Community Payback Service have started maintenance work on site.

### 66. Ratification of the minutes of the previous meeting.

The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed.

### 67. Business items

#### 67.01 Precept and Budget

#### Proposal

That the council ratifies the decision of the Shafton Parish Council Finance committee to set a budget of £59961.80

#### Agreed

## **Proposal:**

That the council ratifies the decision of the Shafton Parish Council Finance committee to raise the precept from £43874 to £46068 a budget increase of £2194.

## **Agreed**

The Chair stated that the precept increase was needed due to a background of high inflation, salary and energy increases.

## **68. Public Questions**

### **68.01 Parking Issues**

A member of the public asked if anything could be done to prevent cars polluting the environment when idling in traffic . Cllr Jim Johnson said he had already reported this to enforcement.

### **68.02 School crossing patrol**

A member of the public asked if a new school crossing patrol office would be appointed. The Chair reported the matter was being looked into

### **68.03 Horse access improvement**

A member of the public raised a question to Cllr Ashley Peace re the horse-riding communities request for one and half acre of land. Cllr Ashley Peace responded by saying this would not be easy in light of budget restraints and it may take some time to get response.

### **68.04 High Street Road improvements**

Cllr D Hall asked why no Road improvements had been carried out on the High Street, Cllr Ashley Peace stated that some road improvements had taken place.

## **69.Planning Applications**

The Clerk reposted he had received this email from Barnsley MBC Planning Service asking for the Council's attention and comments., in relation to a planning matter outlined below.

APPLICATION NO: 2023/1162 DESCRIPTION: 2 storey side extension to dwelling, erection of front fence, new window above front door, removal of rear wall to create access to new car parking spaces, alterations to rear porch.

LOCATION: 25 Engine Lane, Shafton, Barnsley, S72 8RE

No comments were received, and the application was noted.

## **70. Correspondence.**

### **70.01 Shafton Bowling club**

A letter was received from the Shafton Bowling club in relation to club fees the matter was referred to the Shafton Parish Council Finance committee for consideration.

## **70.02 Alleged damaged No Mans Land Airsoft**

22 Engine Lane Shafton

An update was received from a member of the public stating that the planning department were not going to pursue this any further.

## **71. Any other business.**

### **71.01 Shafton Green Dog Hill**

Cllr L Knight reported that the green was being churned up by vehicles damaging the grass. The Clerk reported the green was administered by Barnsley MBC Park Services.

Cllr Ashley Peace stated that members were looking into improving local parks.

### **71.02 Road, Footpath and Lighting**

Cllr D Hall asked for Road, Footpath and Lightings to be added to the agenda in future.

## **Agreed**

### **71.03 Four corners café**

Cllr Linda Knight reported that the old Methodist Church would soon be opening a café.'

### **71.04 Roundabout**

Cllr Jim Johnson stated that the roundabout needs a traffic management system at busy times it was agreed that this was something to pursue.

## **72 . Date and time of next meetings.**

Monday 26 February 7pm

Monday 25 March 7pm

Monday 29 April 7pm

Meeting Closed 7:30