

**Shafton Parish Council**  
**Finance and General Purposes Committee.**  
**Shafton Community Centre.**



**Monday 10 June 6pm**

**Minutes**

**Present** Cllr Ruth Booker (Chair) Cllr Jim Johnson, Cllr Janice Giles , Cllr Stephen Ellis, Cllr P Makinson, Cllr Dave Hall, and D Gill, (Clerk)

Cllr Ruth Booker chaired the meeting.

**187. Welcome and introductions**

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**188. Apologies for absences.**

Cllr Linda Knight

**189. Declaration of pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest.**

Cllr Ruth Booker ( Chair) -Reimbursements.

Cllr P Makinson -Reimbursements.

**190. Minutes of the previous meeting**

The minutes of the previous meeting held at the Community Centre on Tuesday 7 May 6pm were read.

**191. Matters arising from the minutes of the meeting Tuesday 7 May 6pm**

182.04 Annual Governance and Accountability Returns up date.

The Clerk reported that all the documents had been sent to the Government auditors.

181.02 Co-operative Bank up date of Account Signatories

Ongoing

182.03 Dual Authorisation for bank payments

Ongoing

**192 Ratification of the minutes of the meeting Tuesday 7 May 2024**

The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed.

### 193. Accounts for payment.

OSB Events Remaining 50% deposit for stage hire	£846
Reimbursement to Cllr P Makinson New Defib pads	£82.80
Reimbursements to Cllr Ruth Booker	
• Sainsbury voucher thanks to Ex Councillor K Wick for Twenty years of Service	£50
• Newstead Nurseries bedding plants for Pinfold planter	£46.75
<b>Total</b>	<b>£96.75</b>

### Agreed

### 194. To receive and note the monthly statement of accounts.

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

- May Bank Statement
- May Financial Summary
- May Bank Account Reconciled Statement
- May Paid Expenditure Transactions

### Financial summary

- The opening balance as at the 1st April 2024 was £46274.51.
- The total income for the period from 01/05/24 to 31/05/24 was £53311.78.
- The total expenditure for the period 01/05/24 to 31/05/24 was £9126.81.
- Giving a closing balance of:
  - Instant access 468.25
  - Direct Plus account of £89991.23
  - **Total £90,459.48**

### Agreed and noted.

### 195. Items for Decision/ recommendations to the council/business matters

#### 195.01 To consider and decided on the contractor for the new Community Centre Heating System

The Clerk present the two quotes received to supply and install air conditioning and combined heating system.

Smartenergy £10878  
Air conditioning Services £10340

After careful consideration it was proposed to proceed with the quote from Smart Energy at total cost of £10878 as this was seen as best value between the whole life cost from acquisition to disposal generating saving and mitigating risk in the future due of the following factors

Ten-year warranty instead of seven years

First service free of charge and cheaper service costs in the future

**Agreed unanimously.**

## **195.02 Shaftonbury 2024**

### **Stalls and entertainment**

Cllr Pete Makinson reported that stalls and entertainment had been booked and the Shaftonbury 2024 risk assessment would be forwarded to the Clerk.

### **Car boot sale**

Cllr Pete Makinson recommend that the proposed Car boot sale should not go-ahead due to the ground conditions of the recreation ground.

**Agreed**

### **Recognised safety standards**

The clerk requested copies of:

- inflatable play equipment and fairground ride safety certificates and public liability insurance.
- Hygiene Certificates for food outlets.

## **196.0 Matters requested by councillors:**

### **196.01 Bowling Green fees and hire charges.**

Following the request by three Parish councillors Bowling Green fees and hire charges were discussed.

Cllr Makinson stated he had received new information on the running costs of the Bowling club and suggested the parish may wish to reconsider the fee and charges.

Bowling Green members had previously requested a reduction in costs to align the fees and charges with other bowling clubs.

### **Current Charges**

Bowling Green season Ticket £32

Annual hire charge £100

The following new Charges were proposed:

Bowling Green season Ticket £25

Annual hire charge £50

**Agreed**

**197.01 To receive information on the following ongoing issues and decide on further action:**

**197.02 Allotment CCTV**

Cllr Jim Johnson reported this was ongoing and would be completed in the near future.

**197.03 Community Centre Fire audit/Risk assessment**

Cllr Steve Ellis stated this would be completed by the next finance meeting.

**Allotments**

**197.04 Allotment access road improvements**

**It was proposed to:**

Purchase 20 tonnes of crusher run at a cost of £20 per tonne.

**Agreed**

Hire a digger to transport the crusher run £110.

**Agreed subject to a qualified driver using the machinery.**

**197.05 Requests by Allotment holders**

**Plot 9a.**

Previously due its very poor state the parish had agreed to two years free rent on plot 9a in exchange for the plot holder tidying the plot up. Only one-year free rent has so far been given.

**Agreed two years free rent.**

**Plots 19 and 20**

In previous years plot 19 and 20 had been charged a reduced price due to these plots being half plots.

Current charge for full plots £42

Proposed

Half plots to be charged £30.

**Agreed**

## **198. Planning Applications**

None

## **199 Correspondence.**

None

## **200. Any other business.**

### **200.01 Purchase of a Lawn Mower**

Cllr Dave Hall suggested that the Parish Council should investigated the possibility of purchasing its own lawn mower to cut the recreation grass.

**Cllr Dave Hall to investigated.**

### **200.02 Scouts' container**

It was pointed out that if the Parish bought a lawn mower it would need the space currently occupied by the Scouts container to store the mower.

It was Proposed to give notice the scouts to remove their container.

**Agreed**

### **200.03 Over hanging trees right hand side of the Singing Man-**

Cllr R Booker to report to Barnsley MBC

### **200.04 Vacancy for a New Co-opted Shafton Parish Councillor**

Closing date for applications noon Friday 14 June 2024

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

Shafton Parish Council AGM Monday 15 July 7pm

Shafton Parish Council Public meeting Monday 24 June 7pm

Meeting closed 7:35 pm