

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



**Monday 16 December 6pm**

**Minutes**

**Present** Cllr Ruth Booker (Chair) Cllr Pete Makinson, Cllr Janice Giles, Cllr Steve Ellis, Cllr D Hall, and D Gill, (Clerk)

**268. Welcome and introductions**

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**269. Apologies for absences.**

Cllr Jim Johnson (Vice chair), Cllr Jordan Gray, Cllr Linda Knight and Cllr Barry Lee

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

None

**271. Minutes of the previous meeting**

The minutes of the previous meeting held at the Community Centre on Monday 11 November were read.

**272. Matters arising from the minutes of the meeting Monday 11 November**

**236.02 Community Centre removal of old heating system**

Works completed. Caretaker to paint over old heating units.

**236.03 Community Centre Girls toilet grant application**

Awaiting outcome of application

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

On going.

**266.01 Christmas Tree Lights switch on event.**

Cllr Booker and members of the parish council commented on how well the event had gone.

**273. Ratification of the minutes of the meeting Monday 11 November**

The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed.

## **274. Accounts for payment.**

<b>275.01</b> S P D Gas and heating Services Community Centre main new mixer tap	£96
<b>275.02</b> Grounds Maintenance 2 <sup>nd</sup> installment	£1308.90
<b>275.03</b> Reimbursement to volunteer for bulbs and plants for the Pinfold planter	£40

## **276. To receive and note the 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 the 1st April 2024 was £46274.51.
- The total income for the period from 01/04/24 to 30/11/24 was £65328.29.
- The total expenditure for the period 01/04/24 to 30/11/24 was £52427.70.
- Giving a closing balance of:
  - Instant access 472.04
  - Direct Plus account of £58703.06
  - **Total £59175.10**

**Reserve balances** **£35257.78**

N. B the Reserve balance forms part of the total £59175.10.

## **Agreed and noted.**

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

### **277.01 Draft Precept, Budget and Fees setting Report discussions 2025-2026.**

The Clerk presented the Draft Precept, Budget and Fees setting Report; initial discussions took place.

The Clerk reported that Barnsley MBC will need to know Shafton Parishes Precept request by 31st January.

The following schedule of discussions had been previously agreed:

- Monday 16 December Finance and General Purposes Committee meeting initial discussions.
- Monday 13 January Finance and General Purposes Committee meeting finalise Precept, Budget and Fees setting Report.

- Monday 27 January 2025 report presented to Full council.

### **277.02 Proposal to purchase a new printer.**

The Clerk proposed to purchase a new printer at a cost of £250 inc VAT.

Agreed

### **277.03 Bowling Green Path Improvements up dates**

It was proposed to purchase 17 sleepers and pins for the path edging subject to a new quotation.

**Agreed**

### **278. Planning Applications**

None

### **279.00 Correspondence.**

Correspondence. was received from:

#### **279.01 Enviromena re Grimethorpe Solar Farm**

The parish has received a request from Enviromena who are developing the Grimethorpe Solar Farm to meet with Parish Councillors. Member agreed to invite Enviromena to a public meeting in February.

#### **279.02 Valuation office Agency**

A Request for rent, lease or ownership information on the Community Centre has been received from the Valuation office Agency - Clerk to complete online form. Cllr Ruth Booker to make enquiries re the age of the building.

#### **279.03 Brierley Cubs JFC .**

An objection was received form Brierley Cubs JFC regarding the cancellation of their football game on Sat, 14 Dec the Clerk reported this was due to the poor/sodden state of the pitch, Clerk to respond to Brierley Cubs JFC

### **280. Any other business.**

#### **280.01 Christmas bonus**

Cllr Ruth Booker proposed a Christmas bonus of to be paid to the Caretaker and Clerk. Clerk to liaise with the Chair on final amount after checking previous bonus payments. Bonus to be between £50 to £100.

**Agreed**

## **280.02 Community Centre**

Cllr Steve Ellis asked to clarify if:

- a) A Bouncy castle was being used in the Community centre and if it had the necessary insurance and certificates.
- b) If Tot's Explore was a child care facility ?

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

- **Monday 13 January Finance and General Purposes Committee meeting**
- **Monday 27 January 2025 Public meeting**

Meeting closed 7:20 pm