

SHIPHAM PARISH COUNCIL
(Incorporating Rowberrow and Star)

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18th February 2020

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 17th February 2020 in Shipham Village hall at 7.30 p.m.

Present: Iain Shaw (in the chair), H Andrews, K Chalk, A Read, C Mltchel, P Tratt, K Hollis, S Harris, N Bisdee, C Riches, and the clerk S Peake

Also present: Cllr Taylor

Apologies: Cllr S Leader, SDCllrs Fineran, Methley

There were no parishioners present

19/20 Declarations of Interest

Cllr Riches declared a personal interest in 25/20 (ii) and in 32/20 being a member of the Small Grants Committee

Cllr Hollis and Cllr Harris declared a personal interest in 32/20 .

20/20 Parishioners Discussion Time

No parishioners, no discussion

21/20 Minutes of the last meeting held on 20th January 2020 and 27th January

Minutes of the meeting held on 20th January 2020 having been proposed by Cllr Andrews and seconded by Cllr Riches were declared correct and signed by the Chair. Minutes of the meeting held on 27th January 2020 having been proposed by Cllr Riches and seconded by Cllr Bisdee were declared correct and signed by the Chair.

22/20 Matters of Report from Minutes of 20th January 2020

- There has been no response from Highways regarding the legalities of the road from Longbotom to Charterhouse. It was understood that the parishioners had approached the MP.
- The working group to explore housing needs options have met and will report back next month
- There will be a report on website accessibility requirements next month

Cllr Taylor reported the following:

- He will be in touch with the quarry and the concrete works regarding the problems along Longbottom although it has already been raised at the Quarry liaison meeting
- He has identified other forms of financing hopefully for the Village Agent. It was noted that the original grant application was refused by officers of SDC and regret was expressed for the lack of guidance as to conditions of the Grant.
- The Small Improvement Scheme is still earmarked for Shipham and has been chased by Cllr Taylor but no date for the scheme to be implemented is forthcoming

23/20 Planning:

- (i) 44/20/00002/CM: Erection of single storey Extension to side (SE) elevation at Cheddarcombe, Cheddarcombe Lane, Star, BS25 1QD for Mr and Mrs Shewring

Members supported this application but would however like to highlight the potential for further flooding at the bottom of the footpath running into Cheddarcombe Lane and would like the applicants to consider a Sustainable Urban Drainage system to mitigate this.

- (ii) 44/19/00003/CM: Erection of single storey extension to rear (West) elevation with terrace over at Thistlewell Coattage, Cuck Hill, Shipham BS25 1RD for Mr and Mrs Fitzpatrick

Members supported this application as a reasonable development of the plot Clerk reported that Gruffyground, 11 Comrade Avenue and Hilltop Meadows had all been granted planning permission

24/20 Finance

The following accounts, having previously been circulated were proposed to be paid by Cllr Andrews, seconded by Cllr Riches and unanimously approved

(i) Accounts payable	
Clerk wages	£258.96
Office costs	£12.00
Information Commissioners Office	£40.00
Friends of Shipham School (see item 32/20)	£100.00

25/20 Open Spaces

- (i) **To confirm approval for the Running event on 8th August to use Templars Way as a checkpoint.**

Members were generally supportive but noted that there was some mess left from previous years and clerk to remind the organisation of their responsibility to clean up

- (ii) **To discuss the concerns of a resident regarding parking issues in the Square**

Residents parking issues were noted and ideally people should park more mindfully in the square. How this is addressed is to be explored further as a number of parking issues have been raised throughout the parish. Clerk reminded members that SCC Highways would not be putting in any parking restrictions in the near future. It was suggested that any specific problems should be taken up with the garage as there is no reason to think that they would not be accommodating.

In the meantime, the major concern is of the damage to the parish owned land and to this end the Parish Council would welcome the co-operation of all the adjacent house owners to be careful of where they park and access in and out of the track should not be blocked.

26/20 Highways

Meeting noted that Rowberrow Lane is to be closed from 28th February for the essential Water pipe works being carried out.

27/20 Burial Ground

- (i) To amend the burial ground regulations to reflect new legislation regarding child burials.

Cllr Andrews proposed to amend the burial ground regulations to reflect the Child Burial fund regulations, seconded by Cllr Riches and carried
The painting of the back door of the burial grounds store was raised.

28/20 To receive a report from SDC councillors

Cllr Riches reported the following:

- Sedgemoor DC Full Council meeting this week to set the precept
- Internal Drainage Board will need an increase in the precept
- A review of Sheltered Housing is being undertaken following funding cuts by SCC. There will be a move to support people in their own homes. The emerging model will hopefully be operational in April 2021
- The Scrutiny committee is examining the lack of enforcement of S106 agreements including that of Fiveways Bridge in Cheddar

29/20 Chairmans/Clerks report

Chairman reported the Axbridge Civic Service on 1st March.

Clerk reported that a new PCSO had started but has been unable to attend the next few meetings. He will be invited to the Annual Parish Meeting and Clerk to book a date.

30/20 Incident Log

No new incidents reported.

31/20 To discuss Village get togethers

Cllr Hollis proposed that the Parish Council fund hall hire for future village get togethers seconded by Cllr Andrews and unanimously carried

32/20 To confirm support for a grant application from Friends of Shipham School to SDC Small Grants Scheme and to match fund the request for up to £100.00

Cllrs Harris and Riches took no part in this item. Cllr Hollis outlined the grant application from the green club as part of the Friends of Shipham School for an SDC small grant and took no further part in this item. The Parish Council were being asked for support and for some funding if possible. Meeting noted the benefits of the scheme for children and also the community as the school grounds are open to the public. Meeting further noted that grants from the Parish Council can be made to FOSS but not directly to the school. Cllr Chalk proposed a grant of £100.00 be made to the green club via FOSS seconded by Cllr Andrews and carried.

It was agreed to publicise the Parish council contribution via school newsletter and village newsletter in the summer.

33/20 Matters of Report and Future Business

Update on housing needs working group

Update on Website Accessibility requirements

**34/20 Date of Next Meeting
16th March 2020**

The meeting was closed at 8.50 p.m.

Signed:

Date: 16th March 2020