

**SHIPHAM PARISH COUNCIL**  
**(Incorporating Rowberrow and Star)**

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18<sup>th</sup> June 2019

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**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> June 2019 in Shipham Village Hall  
at 7.30 p.m.**

**Present:** Iain Shaw ( in the chair), H Andrews, K Chalk, S Leader, C Riches, P Tratt, A Read, K Hillis, C Mitchel, S Adams and the clerk S Peake

**Also Present:** SDCllr P Fineran

**Apologies:** Cllr N Bisdee and SDCllr L Methley

There were 2 parishioners present.

**42/19 Declarations of Interest**

Cllr Leader declared a DPI on item no 47/19 (ii)

Cllr Shaw and Riches declared personal interests in item no 47/19 (i)

**43/19 Parishioners Discussion Time**

Taken at end of meeting

**44/19 Minutes of the last meetings held on 13<sup>th</sup> May 2019**

Minutes of the meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> May 2019 having been proposed by Cllr Adams and seconded by Cllr Riches were declared correct and signed by the Chair

**45/19. Matters of report from Minutes of 13<sup>th</sup> May 2019**

The dumpy bags have been removed

Chair wrote letters of thanks to Mr Downing, Mr Savage and Mrs Hill

**46/19. Planning:**

**44/19/00005/DT:** Erection of a dwelling at Avalon, Allens Lane, Shipham, BS25 1TD  
Council resolved to send the following to SDC:

- Overdevelopment of plot.
- Height of proposed development dominates nearby property( previous applications have been for a bungalow)
- Inadequate parking for a 3 bed house
- Problematic access to Court Lane/ Allens Lane – road is very narrow to access onto highway

**44/19/00006/CM:** Erection of single storey extensions to rear ( north east) elevation and erection of extension to dormer to form first floor extension at 4 Gloversfield, Shipham, BS25 for Mr and Mrs Wines.

Council had no observations on this application.

Clerk reported 44/19/00001/ACN ( Hill cottage )had been deemed invalid by SDC planners and 44/19/00003/DT had been refused

#### **47/19 Finance**

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

(i)	<b>Accounts payable (1)</b>	
	Clerk wages	£258.96
	Office costs	£12.00
	Iain Shaw ( APM expenses)	£37.75
	Charlie Riches ( Newsletter)	£127.00
	Charlie Riches ( planting)	£85.50
	Sedgemoor District Council ( election)	£100.00
	DJ Dors ( Burial Ground)	£256.92

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

(ii)	<b>Accounts payable ( 2)</b>	
	Simon Leader ( Burial Ground)	£202.50

#### **48/19 Open Spaces**

(i) **To consider where to place woodland trees**

Various suggestions were made including the burial ground

(ii) **To consider the condition of planters outside the Penscot**

Clerk to write to Penscot to fix up the planters or remove.

Planter in Barnpool needs some attention

Old planters need to be removed from Templars Way. Chair will check with Cllr Bisdee if it would be possible to remove.

#### **49/19 Highways**

Mr Williams had contacted the clerk to express thanks to the Chair for cleaning the road signs

Concerns were raised regarding cement falling off lorries up near Longbottom but this may not be quarry related.

#### **50/19 Burial Ground**

(i) **To consider works to the Burial Ground railings**

Councillors agreed not to remove them permanently. More investigation is needed regarding costs of shot blasting and painting. Council also suggested researching grants for replacing the railings.

(ii) **To consider restricting the use of oasis in the Burial Ground**

The burial ground committee resolved to meet to discuss coming up with possible solutions. Suggestions included a levy on use of oasis, contacting undertakers to remove flowers after a fortnight, contacting local florists.

(iii) **To consider charging for use of the bier**

Burial ground committee to suggest possible charges and a review of the charges to be carried out.

Some fence rails will be put up on the burial ground wall to prevent cows getting into the burial ground

Cllr Bisdee will be contacted regarding the bier to be chained to the floor.

Clerk to investigate anti-vandal screws to replace existing.

#### **51/19 Sedgemoor District Council report**

Cllr Riches reported that he is on the Licensing Committee, the Grants committee and the Axe-Brue Drainage Board.

The Planning department will be taking on planning consultants to tackle the larger applications

Cllr Riches has also attended a meeting regarding problems with speeding and anti-social driving in Cheddar. Letters have been written to Highways, the Somerset county councillors and the cabinet member for Highways. No replies received as yet. Another meeting is being called for June to which Highways are invited.

**52/19 Chairmans/Clerks report.**

Chair reported an invite received from the Chair of SCC for the Annual Civic Service but no councillor is available to attend.

Clerk reported training sessions available for planning and code of conduct.

**53/19 Incident Log**

Nothing to report this month

**54/19 To revisit social housing**

To be deferred to next month

**55/19 To consider the consultation from Mendip Edge federation to merge with Wessex Learning Trust**

Cllrs resolved to send a letter of support to the Mendip Edge Federation

**56/19 Matters of Report and Future Business**

Two parishioners raised the issue of the Airport expansion. The consultation has now finished and the Parish Council will keep abreast of developments.

**Be-friending Scheme**

**Burial Ground Fees**

**57/19 Date of Next Meeting**

15<sup>th</sup> July 2019

Signed:

Date: 15<sup>th</sup> July 2019