

SHIPHAM PARISH COUNCIL
(Incorporating Rowberrow and Star)

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16th July 2019

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**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 15th July 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, K Hillis, and the clerk S Peake

Also present; SCCllr N Taylor (for first item)

Apologies: Cllrs S Adams, C Mitchel, A Read, N Bisdee, SDCllr P Fineran and SDCllr L Methley

There were no parishioners present.

58/19 Declarations of Interest

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

59/19 Parishioners Discussion Time

No parishioners present so Cllr Taylor made the following points:

- He has met with some parishioners regarding a planning issue and will ensure the AONB are aware when the plans go into SDC
- He will be sending round information regularly which has been circulated to councillors
- He will speak to the Cllr with portfolio for Highways, Cllr Woodman regarding the award of the small improvement scheme
- There is a report due from the senior Somerset engineer and Cllr Woodman regarding action that can be taken in Cheddar Gorge regarding anti-social driving
- There will be some separate funding (£2,000) available via the County councillors to be split between Axbridge and Shipham.
- The matter of concrete being spilt on Longbottom will be taken up with the quarry

The chair thanked Cllr Taylor for attending

60/19 Minutes of the last meetings held on 17th June 2019

Minutes of the meeting held on 17th June 2019 having been proposed by Cllr Hillis and seconded by Cllr Riches were declared correct and signed by the Chair

61/19. Matters of report from Minutes of 17th June 2019

Cllr Andrews kindly offered to remove the broken down tub at Templars Way. It was noted that the Daneswood tubs were looking lovely.

62/19. Planning:

44/19/00009/CM: Existing forecourt canopy to be raised from 3.2m to 4.7m between ground level and underside of canopy at Rowberrow Service Station, Bristol Road, Rowberrow BS25 1QJ for Motor Fuel Group

Council had no observations to make on this application.

44/19/00005/DT: Erection of a dwelling at Avalon, Allens Lane, Shipham, BS25 1TD
Council had no observation to make on this application, the previous concerns having been addressed.

62/19 Finance

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

(i)	Accounts payable (1)	
	Clerk wages	£258.96
	Office costs	£12.00
	PCAA	£50.00
	Colin Busby	£180.00

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

(ii)	Accounts payable (2)	
	Simon Leader (Burial Ground)	£175.00
	Simon Leader (Footpath)	£35.00

63/19 Open Spaces

- (i) **To discuss what to do with the tubs outside the Penscot**
Council resolved to take back responsibility for the tubs for the time being.

64/19 Highways

Cllr Riches reported a meeting had been held with SCC and Cheddar representatives regarding anti- social driving in the gorge but no resolution had been reached

65/19 Burial Ground

- (i) **To consider works to the Burial Ground railings**
Clerk to contact Churchill metalworks for a firm quote and suggestions of designs and to liaise with Cllr Leader regarding detailed drawings to be approved in the September meeting.
- (ii) **To consider restricting the use of oasis in the Burial Ground.**
Clerk to write to funeral directors to encourage mourners to use alternatives to oasis. Nethercott nurseries do funeral wreaths without using oasis and this could be suggested as an alternative
- (iii) **To consider charging for use of the bier and Burial Ground fees increase**
Cllr Riches proposed an increase of 10% (to the nearest £) on burial ground fees and to add a charge of £25.00 for the bier, seconded by Cllr Chalk and unanimously carried. Increases to be actioned from September.

66/19 Sedgemoor District Council report

Cllr Riches reported the following:

- SDC are generating substantial revenue from planning applications and appear to be concentrating on large applications so smaller ones may need careful scrutiny by the Parish Council
- There will be fewer enforcement actions carried out
- SDC have bought a number of commercial properties to maximum income
- The labour leader of SDC has resigned and will sit as independent

67/19 Chairmans/Clerks report.

The issue with the greens has been resolved and Council are mindful of keeping good relations with their contractors
Planning meeting scheduled for 31st July.

68/19 Incident Log

Nothing to report this month

69/19 To revisit social housing

Deferred to September

70/19 To consider funding for the Be-friending scheme

Deferred to September. Chair will circulate some information and clerk advised of spending restrictions.

71/19 To consider proposals for change of Service delivery for Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Service

Council have nothing to feed back at this stage

72/19 To consider a response to the Airport expansion proposals

Deferred to September

73/19 Matters of Report and Future Business

Suggestions for grant from Cllr Taylor

Clerk clarified with Council the issue of contracts for contractors and will ensure in future that she has sight of public liability insurances

The emergency plan needs updating and clerk to work on it over the summer for approval.

74/19 Date of Next Meeting

16th September

Signed:

Date: 16th September 2019