

SHIPHAM PARISH COUNCIL

(Incorporating Rowberrow and Star)

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19th June 2018

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 18th June 2018 in Shipham Village hall at 7.30 pm

Present: Councillors I Shaw (in the Chair), M Fiske-Jackson, S Leader, P Tratt, J Popham, C Riches, M Watson, K Chalk and the clerk S Peake.

Apologies were received from Cllr N Bisdee, P Downing, N Taylor, J Savage and D Hill

There was 1 parishioner in attendance for the planning item.

37/18 Declarations of interest.

Cllr Shaw declared an personal and prejudicial interest on accounts payable(i)
Cllr Leader declared a previously declared DPI on accounts payable (ii)

38/18 Parishioners Discussion time

Nothing raised that was not on the agenda

39/18 Previous Minutes of meeting held on 21st May 2018

Minutes of the meeting held on 21st May 2018 having been proposed by Cllr Riches and seconded by Cllr Chalk they were declared correct and signed by the Chair

40/18 Matters Arising from 21st May 2018

- (i) The ash trees growing out of the wall at Cuck Hill have been reported to Highways again who inspected but will take no action at the moment.
- (ii) The lines on the road at the top of North Down Lane remain on Highways list

41/18 Finance

- (i) The following accounts, having previously been circulated were proposed to be paid by Cllr Popham, seconded by Cllr Watson and unanimously approved:

Clerk wages	£188.41
Office costs	£9.00
Charlie Riches(newsletter)	£125.00
Forgecraft (Fingerposts)	£1368.00
Paper	£2.75

Postage	£6.50
PCAA	£50.00
Iain Shaw (APM refreshments)	£56.75

Cllr Leader left the room

(ii)The following account to be paid was proposed by Cllr Riches, seconded by Cllr Watson and unanimously approved.

Simon Leader (Burial Ground)	£195.00
Simon Leader (Clearance of vegetation)	£25.00
Simon Leader (Burial ground planting of bushes)	£280.00

Cllr Leader rejoined the meeting

The clerk reported bank account stood at £27322.53 as at 31st May

42/18

Open Spaces

Cllr Leader reported that Cllr Bisdee had met with Jay Sparrowhawk regarding the fencing along the Burial Ground. Cllr Bisdee was of the opinion that work was needed on it sooner rather than later. On this basis, Cllr Riches proposed that the fence posts be replaced up to a cost of £800.00 seconded by Cllr Chalk and unanimously carried.

Cllr Leader reported that whilst clearing the lane between Fair Hill and Hollow Road, there was excessive dog mess. Clerk to put up no fouling notices and further consideration taken to a bin being placed in the vicinity.

43/18

Highways

Chair noted the successful bid for Small Improvement Scheme although no formal notification has been received as yet.

44/18

Burial Ground

The bushes have taken well in the burial ground but there may be an issue with watering in this dry weather.

45/18

Planning;

- (i) Planning application: 44/18/00007/LR
Proposed refurbishment including installation of bi-fold doors and demolition of existing conservatory at Cedarwood, Top Road, Shipham, Winscombe, Somerset, BS25 1TB for Mr and Mrs Bowker

Councillors had no observations on this application

Planning application: 44/18/00008/DT

- (ii) Erection of two storey extension to side (NE) elevation at 9 Gloversfield, Shipham, BS25 1SU for Mr and Mrs Vallance

Councillors had no observations on this application

46/18

Sedgemoor District Council Q & A

No concerns raised

47/18

Chairmans and clerk report

The Chair noted that the Annual Parish meeting was exceptionally successful this year and thanked all councillors who attended (which was almost all).

48/18

Incident log

There had been concerns raised on social media regarding heavy vehicles through the village but this is hopefully a one off as the A38 had been closed. Chair had advised parishioners how to report problems

49/18

Miners

Clerk reported various complaints regarding knotweed. Cllr Riches had spoken to the neighbour who had managed to stop SDC from strimming back the knotweed and making the problem worse. Cllr Riches will draft a letter expressing Council concerns at the lack of interest from SDC in the knotweed problem on their land. Eradication should be occurring thanks to the neighbour most affected.

50/18

To approve financial regulations, risk assessments and asset register

These had been previously circulated and were approved

51/18

To consider 2% pay rise for staff

In line with NALC recommendation this was agreed

52/18.

To consider plans for commemoration of the end of WW1

Chair reported that there were plans with the church for a similar event to the one of four years ago involving the History Society, with a view to having a lunch at the hall and a parade from the War Memorial to the Hall

53/18

To consider making a grant to Sedgemoor Citizens Advice Bureau

Cllr Chalk proposed a contribution of £75.00 be forwarded to Sedgemoor Citizens Advice Bureau, seconded by Cllr Tratt and unanimously carried.

54/18

Matters of report and Future Business

There had been a lot of interest in the taking over the telephone box library and Elizabeth Barratt will be the new librarian

The Chair thanked Cllr Fiske-Jackson for her long service on the council as this is her last meeting before leaving the village

The Chair declared the meeting closed at 8.05 p.m.

Signed:

Date: 16th July 2018