

Shobrooke Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the Village Hall on Tuesday 12 July 2016

The meeting commenced at 7.30pm

Members Present:

Cllr R Ayre (Chairman) Cllr C Furse
Cllr C Boulton Cllr L Pitts
Cllr B Curle

In attendance:

Cllr P Hare-Scott (MDDC), 1 member of public, J Hole, Parish Clerk

Business to be Transacted Public Participation

There was no public participation.

Formal Business

1/07/16 Apologies

Cllr A Jones (family commitment), Cllr A Ripper (family commitment), Cllr J Lee (holiday)

2/07/16 Declaration of Interest

None

3/07/16 To consider any nominations for co-opted Councillors

John Ingham had indicated his willingness to be co-opted and this was duly resolved by Councillors. The Declaration of Acceptance of Office form was completed and John was welcomed to the council.

4/07/16 Minutes of the last meeting held on Tuesday 14 June 2016

Agreed and signed as a true record

5/07/16 Mid Devon District Council

5.1

Planning Applications:

16/00883/FULL - Creation of 2 ponds and a hatchery/store building at Pennicott, Shobrooke. Cllr J Ingham declared an interest. Councillors had been unable to determine the size of the ponds from MDDC website. Councillors resolved to comment that reassurance was required that the ponds/hatchery were for private use only and not for commercial enterprise. **The Clerk was requested** to find out the size of the ponds.

16/00950/HOUSE and 16/00965/LBC - Erection of a single storey orangery extension to side elevation at Shute Manor Shute Shobrooke Crediton Devon EX17 1BW. Cllr R Ayre declared an interest. There was no comment.

Since the agenda had been sent, planning application 16/01042/Full for a change of agricultural land to equestrian use, erection of stable block and hay barn and formation of new vehicular access at Efford had been received. Councillors resolved to consider the application at this meeting. There was no comment.

Some concern was expressed about recent information in the press regarding planning application 18/00825/MFUL - anaerobic digestion plant in Crediton, with regard to the anticipated traffic movements. As the consultation deadline had now expired no comment was possible.

5.2 Planning Decisions:
15/00315/FULL - Conversion of barns to 5 dwellings at Furze Farm Shute Shobrooke – permission granted

6/07/16 Road and Footpaths

- 6.1 Outstanding Road and Footpath issues
- I. Traffic speeding in the village – The PCSO has responded direct to resident who raised concerns regarding speeding. No further reports had been received
 - II. Blocked drains at Exeter Hill/ Exeter Hill Cross towards Shobrooke, Raddon Top to West Raddon, road by Rew Cross, Efford, outside Setters and Church lane - reported to DCC
Clerk to re-report
Poor road surface by church – reported to DCC
Clerk to re-report
- 6.2 New issues identified
None

7/07/16 Finance

- 7.1 To approve signatures for this month's cheques
Cllr C Furse and Cllr B Curle
- 7.2 Parish Council Payments Current Account:
Items 7.2.2 and 7.2.3 were agreed.

Item	Payee	Purpose	Amount £
7.2.1	Frost Fencing Ltd	Repairs to East fence in playing fields	981.60
7.2.2	Shobrooke PCC	Grant towards upkeep of churchyard/memorial	430.00
7.2.3	J Hole	Salary and expenses	134.58
			£1,546.18

The invoice from Frost Fencing (Item 7.2.1) was for the replacement of 22 posts. However, the estimate had been for 23 posts. The end strainer post, nearest to the entrance, had not been replaced and was rotten below ground level. The Clerk had asked the contractor to either replace the end strainer post or reduce the invoice accordingly. No reply had been received to date. Councillors resolved that the end strainer post should be replaced and not to pay the invoice until the work was completed.

Clerk to inform contractor.

- 7.3 Parish Council Payments received:
None
- 7.4 Balances
- 7.4a Parish Council Current Account balance: £5,302.96
 - 7.4b Parish Council Footpath balance (in above current account figure): £1,882.46
 - 7.4c Parish Council Reserve Account balance: £5,784.88
- 7.5 Financial Statement and Budget Monitor
These were noted.

8/07/16 Matters raised by the Chair

- 8.1 None

9/07/16 Councillor's Reports

- 9.1 To consider any Councillor reports for areas of responsibility
Cllr L Pitts reported that she had an unused Neighbourhood Watch sign. It was resolved that this should be placed near the speed limit sign if possible.

10/07/16 Clerk's Report

- 10.1 To approve Clerk holiday from 23 July to 31 July 2016
Approved

11/07/16 Parish Council

11.1 Playing Field

11.1a To consider latest Inspection Report

No report had been received. **Clerk to request** from Darren Fox.

11.1b To consider repairs to the wood surrounding the soft matting around the roundabout
The wood needed to be replaced, the matting appeared to be in good condition. It was agreed that Cllr B Curle would ask a parishioner if he would be able to carry out the work.

11.2 To note reply from Village Hall re request to re-consider displaying a copy of the parish footpath map on the village hall. To note alternative location suggested by Cllr A Jones – map to be erected above the school bell on School Close

An email had been received today confirming that the Village Hall Committee had re-considered and would now agree to the map being installed on the Village Hall as long as the Parish Council installed and maintained the map. A sign on the footpath opposite the Village Hall giving directions to the map on the Village Hall would be put up. Cllr C Furse would ask Cllr A Jones to put the map up including putting a back on the map.

11.3 To note the success of the S106 grant application for new south fencing at playing fields
MDDC had confirmed that the grant application had been successful and £2,283.00 (excl. VAT) was available for the work

12/07/16 Miscellaneous Correspondence

None

13/07/16 Minor Matters and Items for Future Agenda

None

**14/07/16 Date of next meeting: Tuesday 13 September 2016 in the Village Hall at 7.30 pm.
Clerk to cancel hall booking for August**

Part II

13/07/16 Playing fields

13.1 To agree who to appoint to repair the south fence and to agree a timescale for the work to be completed.

Councillors resolved to appoint a contractor, who had indicated that he would be able to start the work in September. **Clerk to contact** and ask that the work is finished by the end of September and that prior to the commencement of the work, a site meeting is held with Cllr B Curle to finalise details.

End of formal business

The meeting closed at 8.10pm