

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of Shobdon Parish Council meeting held at Shobdon Village Hall, Monday 29 November 2021 commencing at 7 pm.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councillors Steve Macdonald(Chair for meeting), Chris Jaques, Sue Whittaker, Adrienne Boxall and Richard Bowen. Councillor Bill Stokes joined the meeting via zoom

ALSO PRESENT: PCSO Felix Rawlinson and 1 member of the public joined at 7.35, as did Ward Councillor Phillips

OFFICER PRESENT: Clerk to the Council.

No	Item	Description	Action
1	APOLOGIES:	Councillor Anne Walker	
2	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:	Declaration of Interests were registered re Planning application P213848 – Councillors Bill Stokes, Richard Bowen and Anne Whittaker.	
3	PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:		
	3.1	<p>The following report was received from Ward Councillor Roger Phillips:</p> <p>A local debit card for £15 to spend locally will be available for every household in Herefordshire as part of HCCs covid 19 recovery plan.</p> <p>BBLP maintenance plan session, items to be raised:</p> <p>Resurface road -Pearl Lake towards Moor Meadow – current condition is causing lots of road noise.</p> <p>Shobdon Rock – resurface road due to poor highway surface and high volume of traffic.</p> <p>Repairs to Canterbury Road by the crossroads.</p> <p>Flooding issues on Ledicott Lane.</p> <p>Large number of roadside gullies are blocked as a result of gutters not being cleared.</p> <p>Rubbish Bin Collections 2023 -The system will change from an alternate green/black bin collection to a three-week cycle with three bins plus a food bin and an optional garden waste bin. More details can be found on Councillor Phillips' monthly newsletter.</p>	Clerk
	3.2	<p>PCSO Felix Rawlinson was in attendance. He gave a report on incidents that has been reported in and around Shobdon.</p> <p>Speed checks have taken place in the village and there will more taking place in the following months.</p> <p>He left the meeting after his report.</p>	
	3.3	Parish matters -None were raised.	
4	MINUTES:	Council RESOLVED to approve the Minutes of the Full Council held on 25 th October 2021 and signed them as a correct record.	

5	FINANCE:		
	5.1	The Council resolved to pay the following outstanding accounts: Clerks November Wages £ 479.56 HMRC – £120.00 Hitrees £858.00, Tsc0 domain £ 8.34 HALC clerks training £ 240.00	Clerk
	5.2	Cheques were signed in accordance with 5.1.by Cllr Macdonald and would be taken to Cllr Bill Stokes for signature later in the week.	Clerk
	5.3	The notes of the finance meeting held on 8 November 2021 were noted and agreed. The clerk is to write to Kingspan to release the grant money for the footpath as this project will not be able to progress until a purchaser is found for the 'Bateman' public house.	Clerk
	5.4	The 106-wish list was agreed: New Village Hall, Pedestrian crossing on Canterbury Road (Shobdon to Pembridge). Speed limits (Shobdon to Pembridge Road) extend the limit from the 30mph signs to 40mph to village boundary.	Clerk
	5.5	Last month's bank reconciliation statement was verified to current account bank statement and signed by Cllr Steve Macdonald. Invoices were verified and signed by Cllr Sue Whittaker	Clerk
	5.6	The form to request on line bank access has been sent to the bank.	Clerk
	5.7	2022/2023 precept was agreed and the clerk is to submit it to HCC	Clerk
	5.8	The quotes for appointment of an internal auditor were discussed and it was agreed to appoint Paul Russell.	Clerk
6	PLANNING	Council considered the following planning consultations received from Herefordshire Council	
	6.1	It was agreed to give delegated powers to the parish clerk to respond to planning applications on behalf of the council	
	6.2	P213848 – Grove House, Shobdon Cllrs Bowen and Whittaker left the room and Cllr Stokes left the zoom meeting. After a lengthy discussion it was decided not to support the application for the following reasons: 1) Access on to a road which has a high volume of traffic. There is also planning for a new housing development in very close proximity to this access which could cause a pinch point by a sharp bend. The application lacks details on access re line of sight etc. The reports included in this application show requirements needed by the other developer to improve road signage etc, we would like to see these requirements also attached to this application, so that they are in place when the project is completed.	Clerk

		<p>2) The design of the house is not in keeping with surrounding properties, which are of brick construction and not timber clad.</p> <p>3) Sewage treatment plant - we agree with the comments made by Welsh Water that the new build should be connected to the main sewer.</p>	
7	ENVIRONMENT		
8	7.1	<p>PROW Report – Mr P Barnett will begin work on installing the gates on Wednesday.</p> <p>The hedge at the MUGA would benefit from more trees, as would the open grass spaces.</p> <p>There was a brief discussion of planting trees on a piece of land, owned by Mr and Mrs Corbett. It was agreed that Cllr Stokes and Cllr Bowen would attend a meeting with Mr and Mrs Corbett to discuss this further.</p>	
	7.2	<p>Notice Board by Village Shop – It was agreed to look into how much it would cost to repair and put a new covering on the original one as most new notice boards are now lockable.</p>	Cllr Jaques & Clerk
	7.3	<p>Barrier Damage by Village shop. After consulting with several trades people, Cllr Bill Stokes has now received a quote of £ 571.00 + VAT. This will be put on the next agenda for approval.</p>	
	7.4	<p>Rubbish Bins – agreed to check to see if all bins on BBLP emptying schedule exist and if they don't request BBLP to install them or see if they will empty Parish council bins instead.</p>	Clerk
	7.5	<p>Speed Watch Group – Agreed to hold an initial meeting on 21 February 2022.</p>	Clerk
	7.6	<p>Christmas Tree and Carols – Due to recent weather conditions the tree will now be put up and decorated on Sunday 5 December with the lights being switched on Monday 6 December.</p>	
	NEXT MEETING	<p>Council noted that the next meeting of the Parish Council would take place on Monday 13 December at 7.00pm at Shobdon Village Hall</p>	
	9.1	<p>Items for next Agenda: - Trees, Barrier repairs.</p>	
	CLOSE	<p>The meeting closed at 8.45pm</p>	

Signed by the Chairman:	Date:
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