

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of Shobdon Parish Council meeting held at Shobdon Village Hall, Monday 20 June 2022 commencing at 7 pm.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councillors Bill Stokes (chair), Steve Macdonald (vice-chair), Chris Jaques, Adrienne Boxall, Sue Whittaker, and Richard Bowen.

ALSO PRESENT: 8 members of the public and Ward Councillor Roger Phillips

OFFICER PRESENT: Clerk to the Council.

No	Item	Description	Action
1	APOLOGIES:	Cllr Anne Walker and West Mercia Police	
2	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:	Councillor Jaques – 7.1Planning	
3	PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:		
	3.1	The following report was received from Ward Councillor Roger Phillips: He thanked the organisers for the Jubilee events. This year's Clerks meeting was held at Eardisland and in attendance were 3 members of HCC planning department, PC Dean Wall and Paul (Locality Steward). The Core Strategy consultations were discussed – Shobdon remains an active main settlement. Agricultural Businesses – a newsletter/meeting to let them know about issues etc will be arranged.	
	3.2	Report from West Mercia Police – No one was in attendance – an apology was received to say that the Superintendent was unable to attend this meeting. The local team had conducted speed enforcement in Shobdon this month and will return late evening in the coming months to conducted further enforcement.	
	3.3	Parish matters – The following issues were raised: Bar Meadow Play Area: Unwrapped dirty nappies in litter bin – a volunteer is willing to put a box of nappy sacks on the fence by bins, and to prepare list of volunteers to empty bins. Gate catches need repairing – suggested magnetic catches. Green handle on one of the pieces of equipment needs tightening, Could dog poo bags be put around the village? Village events – public would like to see more events held – meeting to be arranged	Cllr Jaques Cllr Stokes
4	MINUTES:	Council RESOLVED to approve the Minutes of the Full Council held on 30 May 2022 and signed them as a correct record.	
5	FINANCE:		
	5.1	The Council resolved to pay the following outstanding accounts: Clerks June wages £ 487.96 HMRC June £ 122.00, Microshade Business Consultants Ltd – Internal audit £ 118.80, Towermint Ltd – Jubilee medals £ 191.40, Hitrees Ltd – Mowing and Strimming £ 1,344.00 and MCBS – Compost for planters £15.00.	
	5.2	Cheques were signed in accordance with 5.1, as were the bank reconciliations and invoices	Clerk

6	5.3	It was agreed to write-off cheque 183 issued on 27 July 2020 to MCBS for £56.78	Clerk
	5.4	It was agreed to appoint Microshade Business Consultants Ltd as the internal auditor for next year.	Clerk
	POLICY UPDATES	Standing Orders – these were discussed and agreed.	
7	PLANNING	Council considered the following planning consultations received from Herefordshire Council	
	7.1	P221654/F – Avara Hatchery, Shobdon – Proposed extension to existing hatchery. Cllr Jaques left the room – The application was discussed – no objections. Cllr Jaques re-joined the meeting.	Clerk
8	ENVIRONMENT		
	8.1	PROW and Village Reports/Updates The bridleway at the airfield will be remarked. Ian Godding has been asked for quotes for the following: Remove the bench from Bar Meadow play area and re site in the car park and mowing of grassland in front of Bar Meadow. Ian Godding has also been asked to do the spraying in the village. Village Inspections – list to be drawn up	Cllr Bowen Clerk
	8.2	Jubilee Tree Area – It was agreed to take on the lease of this area – Cllr Stokes to liaise with landowners	Cllr Stokes
	8.3	Grove Field – Tarmac Quotes- after asking several businesses to quote for this work the Council received 2 quotations from: S&B Paver Hire Limited and Tarmacadam Driveways Ltd. These quotations (copies are available from the clerk) were discussed and the Council agreed to accept the quotation from S & B Pavers Ltd -Play area £680 + VAT and The Grove Field Path Tarmac £ 7,450 + VAT Ian Godding to be asked to install bollard at Bateman Close end of path.	Clerk Clerk Cllr Stokes
	8.4	Queens Platinum Jubilee Celebrations – The organisers, helpers etc were thanked for putting on brilliant events for the Jubilee celebrations.	
	8.5	Milestone – Ward Councillor Phillips is in discussions with BBLP re the repairs. Simon Hudson is to be contacted to see how much he will charge to repair the Milestone.	Cllr Walker
	8.6	Relocation of Redundant Litter bins – notify BBLP of the new bins that have been installed and look at map of bins to see where redundant bins can be relocated too.	Clerk Clerk
	8.7	Arrange date for meeting with young adults of the village – decided to distribute leaflets to High School Pupils on the school bus requesting best days/time to meet, and a copy of the leaflet to go on Facebook once date/time has been arranged	Clerk & Cllr Stokes

9	NEXT MEETING	Council noted that the next meeting of the Parish Council would take place on Monday 25 July 2022 at 7.00pm at Shobdon Village Hall	
	9.1	Items for next Agenda: - Meeting with youngsters to get their views on what they would like to see in the village, and traffic safety	
	CLOSE	The meeting closed at 9 pm	

Signed by the Chairman:	Date:
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