

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of Shobdon Parish Council meeting held at Shobdon Village Hall, Monday 27 March 2023 commencing at 7 pm.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councillors Bill Stokes (chair), Steve Macdonald (vice-chair), Anne Walker, Chris Jaques, Adrienne Boxhall and Richard Bowen.

ALSO PRESENT: 6 members of the public

No	Item	Description	Action
1	APOLOGIES:	Cllr Sue Whittaker, Clerk - Cheryl Woolley, Ward Councillor Roger Phillips and West Mercia Police.	
2	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:	None	
3	PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:		
	3.1	Report From Ward Councillor Roger Phillips: There was no report, but his monthly update is due out soon	Clerk
	3.2	Report from West Mercia Police – No report has been received.	Clerk
	3.3	Parish matters – The following issues were raised: Waste Bin by the school gate smells as the lid has not been replaced. Road Closure – Gigaclear Reporting of Potholes	
4	MINUTES:	Council RESOLVED to approve the Minutes of the Full Council held on 27 February 2023 and signed them as a correct record.	
5	FINANCE:		
	5.1	The Council resolved to pay the following outstanding accounts: Clerks Wages £560.96, HMRC £140.00. Shobdon Village Hall – end of March £ 105.00 Hitrees Ltd - £ 2,220.00 hedges and kerbs C Woolley – TSO Hosting fee £ £ 9.54 Clerks' expenses (printer ink etc) £ 152.97	
	5.2	Cheques were signed in accordance with 5.1, as were the bank reconciliations and invoices	Clerk
	5.3	It was noted that the Parish Council had ordered 24 Coronation medals for Preschool.	Clerk
	5.4	It was noted that a free-standing litter bin had been ordered for a price of £ 436.74	
6	PLANNING	Council considered the following planning consultations received from Herefordshire Council	
	6.1	Application: 224240 Address: Post Office and Stores, Shobdon, Leominster Proposal: Proposed single storey rear extension for extra storage. This application was discussed, and the Parish Council had no objection as it was for storage only. The only issue raised was where was the generator to be placed?	Clerk
	6.2	Application: 230467 Address: Woodside, Shobdon, Leominster Proposal: Replacement Bungalow This application was discussed, and the Council resolved to object to this application, the following	

		<p>issues/comments were raised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Existing plan does not match reality as the roadside hedge has moved and will clash with the turning bay. b. Why is the foul water not connecting to sewer? c. We think the site is much closer than 20m from a water course – contrary to the application documents. d. We prefer the alternative design of two more affordable bungalows. 	Clerk
7	ENVIRONMENT		
8	7.1	<p>PROW and Village Reports/Updates – The Lengthsman grant has been used to cut the hedges and clean gutters and kerb sides. The hedge at the Bateman needs attention as it is overgrown. There is drainage issue on the Golf Course footpath.</p>	
	7.2	Village Inspection Rota – Decided to discuss this after the May elections.	Clerk
	7.3	Parish Council Newsletter – Is ready to go to the printers and should be ready to be delivered first week of April.	Cllr Boxhall & Clerk
	7.4	<p>School Field Update – Mrs Corbett will arrange for the field to be fenced and crop sprayed off. An avenue of trees on the southern side was discussed and Cllr Stokes will discuss this with Mrs Corbett.</p>	Cllr Stokes
	7.5	Annual Parish Council meeting – Monday 15 May 2023	Clerk
	7.6	Spring Litter Pick – Saturday 2pm at the shop. Reminders will be put on Facebook and website.	Cllr Boxhall
	7.7	Nominations of a Parish Councillor to become a trustee of the Village Trust – Next trust meeting is 2 nd June – so decide after May elections.	Clerk
	NEXT MEETING	Council noted that the next meeting of the Parish Council would take place on Monday 24 April 2023 at 7.00pm at Shobdon Village Hall.	
	8.1	Items for next Agenda:	
	CLOSE	The meeting closed at 8.05 pm	
Signed by the Chairman:			Date: