

SHIRLEY PARISH COUNCIL

DRAFT MINUTES OF MEETING HELD AT ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH, SHIRLEY

ON 12<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2015

PRESENT: Cllr J Foster (Chairman), Cllr J Fletcher, Cllr AJ Summers, Cllr A Taylor, Cllr A Grace (Vice Chairman), Mr P Beetham RFO, Mrs R Crabtree Clerk

APOLOGIES: None

MEMBERS OF PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE: 13

PUBLIC MEETING

A Parish meeting was held at 7pm continuing the subject of Shirley Sports Field. Approximately 6 persons spoke of retaining the facility for future village use. Ideas were suggested for future use. Some were willing to set up a management committee but requested the Parish Council take financial responsibility. If there is insufficient interest in the future of the Sports Field the land could revert back to the land owner.

The Public Meeting ended at 7.45pm

DECLARATION OF MEMBER'S INTERESTS: None

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 17<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2015: Draft minutes to be amended:-

Section Public Meeting 2. 'A Parishioner brought to the attention of the Parish Council the high level of precept set by Shirley Parish Council in comparison with neighbouring parishes and asked what level would be set for the future' to be removed.

Section Parish Matters Precept: Remove section 'It was proposed the precept be reduced to £3690'. This was agreed and approved. A Cllr proposed time for the RFO to review figures for the budget and setting of precept and this was seconded and approved (see below).

Subject to these above amendments the minutes of the meeting 17/11/14 were approved 2 votes for, 2 votes against, 1 abstention. Chair took casting vote and minutes were approved.

CLERK'S REPORT: None

TREASURER'S REPORT: See Agenda Item – Affirm Budget

PARISH MATTERS

- Sports Field – RFO to contact insurers with a view to transferring the policy to the PC from Sports Committee. Policy to be transferred back to a new committee once formed. Accounts, bank accounts, cheque books and all relevant documents to be officially handed over to PC and receipt of signed for. PC will not undertake day to day 'running' of the Sports Field. A vote was taken for the approval of the above measures and this was approved, 4 for the approval and 1 against.
- Snow Warden – The application to DDDC has still not been processed. Hall Lane A52 end bin empty and cracked. Two bags of grit stored behind bin. Warden to liase with local farmer re grit spreading and stocks held. New grit delivery not yet arrived - Warden to enquire.
- Adopt Special Standing Order – Proposed by Cllr Summers, seconded by Cllr Foster. 3 votes for, 2 against Cllr Taylor and Cllr Fletcher. It was proposed by Cllr Summers that Sandra Lamb be asked to attend and discuss this matter and this was agreed by all Cllrs.
- Car Parking – Two quotes have been received. One for £4000 and the other £1200. Lower quote to be accepted when funds are available.
- Church Yard Maintenance – Extra payment will be applied for as the Church yard requires cutting more regularly. Some pointing of perimeter walls and stone walling around road side sycamore tree may need attention at some point. Noted for future reference.
- Affirm Budget – A Precept Budget was read out by the RFO for the year 2015/2016 and discussion took place. If essential spending only takes place this budget of £4900.00 would not incur a deficit. It was suggested that the £4000 payable annually for the Community Space is not sustainable and, for cash flow purposes, payment in arrears to be made at this level for this final year would ease overall burden. A month by month cash flow was suggested and Cllr Summers and RFO P Beetham will undertake this. A

definitive statement to clarify budget and cash flow was proposed by Cllr Summers and seconded by Cllr Foster and was approved. 3 votes for and 2 against.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS: None

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 9<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2015