

Shireoaks Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting held on 12th December 2023

Present: Cllr R Hauxwell (chair)

Councillors: P Blagg, B Ayton, R Hewson, G Robinson, C Dixon, and J Potts

District Cllrs: none present.

Clerk: Susan MacDonald

There were no members of the public present.

127/23 Apologies for Absence

Apologies had been received from Cllr S Fielding and T Wilkes and District Cllr D Pressley.

128/23 Declaration of Interest and to identify any agenda items from which the press and public should be excluded due to the confidential nature of the business.

No declarations were made.

129/23 To approve the minutes of the meetings held on 14th November 2023

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 14.11.23, copies of which had been previously circulated to members, were confirmed as a true record.

Proposed by Cllr Hewson, seconded by Cllr Robinson, and signed by the Chair.

130/23 Matters Arising

a) CIL – Christmas Lights, Church clock repairs

The stress test on the lampposts has been moved to February 2024 with a view to having xmas lights next year.

Smith Derby and the electrician will start work on the clock at 9am on 8th January 2023. Cllr Ayton said she would be able to let them gain access.

b) Church corner planter replacement

The cost of respraying the new planters would be £192 each with a transport cost of £325. A RAL colour chart will be circulated to determine the best way forward.

c) Events – Fireworks/Carnival

Carnival – AGM was held, and the financial/minute information was requested for the next meeting.

Fireworks – A meeting will be held next year to go forward with a plan for 2024.

d) To discuss any Village Maintenance/Lengthsman Scheme concerns

A bench and bin have been installed at the A57 end of the village by SWH Ltd

Permission has gone through to Bassetlaw DC with regards to the Cherry Tree and completion would be Mid-January. This would enable pruning at the end of January, weather permitting.

The street name signs have been jet washed throughout the village.

Bassetlaw DC will be putting NO Dogs allowed signs at the entrance to the field off York Place. Signs may be needed for Frances Field gates.

Stancliffe Homes have re-seeded the area on Shireoaks Common so we will await the new growth in the Spring.

The shrubs near the bridge sign which had been reported is now clear.

e) Friends of Woodland – CIL

An email had been received asking for an “official letter” from The Parish Council confirming the decision made in the last meeting. It was agreed that an email is official correspondence and that should have been sufficient.

Also, a list of accepted spending powers, gained from Bassetlaw District Council will be sent to Friends of Woodland and a re-confirmation that they can contribute to the newsletter article that was discussed.

f) New container

A cost had been obtained for a flat pack storage unit, but another company will be contacted for a price to deliver a half size container (non-flat packed)

131/23 New Business

a) To review pay and conditions for the Clerk.

It was agreed to adopt the NALC wage increase and backdate this to April 2023. It was also now agreed to pay the clerk £10 per month towards phone/internet bills to start January 2024.

b) To agree training with CILca for the Clerk

It was agreed to pay the CILca training bill for qualification of the clerk.

132/23 Planning

a) New applications

23/01365/HSE – single storey rear extension and new roof - 9 Cherry Tree Avenue – already sent to BDC.

23/01379/HSE – erect open porch and reposition front door – 30 Moses View

23/01336/CAT – works to trees within cons area – junction Thorpe Lane and Shireoaks Road

There were no objections to these planning applications subject to the near neighbours being informed.

23/01399/FUL – proposed construction of a ground mounted solar photovoltaic Farm – Land N and NE of Steetley -It was agreed to put in an objection to this application because of construction traffic travelling through the village.

b) Appeals

There were no new appeals.

c) Decisions and Awaiting Decisions

22/01714/OUT – Land to the north of Gateford Toll Bar - Outline application for erection of a care home and up to ten res dwellings has been approved but not yet on website.

23/01312/HSE – Erect 1st floor rear extension and conduct alterations – 12 Cartwright Street

23/01273/HSE – Double detached garage and new gates to frontage of drive – 89 Shireoaks Common

d) Enforcements

There are no updates to report this month.

133/23 Reports from County/District Councillors

There were no District Cllrs present at the meeting, but the following reports were received.

District Cllr S Fielding wrote:

Spring Lane is on a regular cleaning route, though if needed extra cleansing can be requested, which had been and was done.

Bus Shelter on Shireoaks Row was damaged and had to be demolished. Highways were out swiftly and had safety barriers around prior to demolition. Have been in touch with the department that maintains Bus Shelters and confirmed how much it is used. It is to be replaced but will be in new year.

Flood Resilience Store has been restocked with a combination of sand and bags purchased by Parish Council, thirty bags were received from County and further Aqua Sacks have been requested from them. We now have a revised plan for Road Closures that includes Spring Lane and Railway Bridge on Shireoaks Road. Again, raised with Highways water across the Road in vicinity of Lamp columns 52,51 Shireoaks Road and had confirmation this is being investigated.

We do need to purchase appropriate shovels to fill sandbags, dexion type shelving to ensure that everything is stored with easy and safe access. As ever keeping prepared though hoping will not be needed.

District Cllr D Pressley wrote:

The Play Area on the Monks Way Estate has been repaired by the Developers any problems in the future please let me know.

Works to the Trees at York Place need pruning and the Works have been agreed I will update the Parish Council when this has been completed.

(Minute.126/23 Parish Council Meeting 10th November 2023) Additional No Dog Fouling Signs have been agreed for the Play Area at York Place please continue to report any Dog Fouling on the District Council web site.

134/23 Finance

- a) **balance/payments and receipts**
see report attached.

135/23 Emergency Measures

a) Flooding

Thirty new sandbags had arrived for the Container from Notts County. A tonne bag of sand and three hundred bags have also been purchased to restock the container for future events by the Parish Council.

Cllr Hauxwell asked if it was possible for her to contact the relevant flood agencies with a view to having an interactive flood sign at Spring Lane, as this is the most vulnerable spot that floods quickly when the riverbanks overflow. The cost will be reported when it is received.

Following recent flooding in the village, Councillor Robinson raised the following issues.

- a) The overflow dyke between the Cricket Ground and Bethel Terrace which takes water pumped from Steetley Quarry into the River Ryton needs cleaning out to ensure water runs freely into the Ryton.
 - b) Extensive road flooding after heavy rain
 - (i) Shireoaks Road at street light columns 51 and 57
 - (ii) Thorpe Lane at the entrance to Blagg's Farm/Hewett Arms
 - c) Spring Lane at the River Ryton Bridge - Broken boundary fencing in need of replacing.
- It was agreed to forward details to the appropriate authorities.

136/23 Correspondence

All correspondence had been circulated prior to the meeting.

137/23 Police report

The police report had been distributed, however there was no police presence at the meeting. See report attached. It was agreed to send a thankyou email to the Police for the removal of speeding cars on the A57 after several complaints from residents were made.

138/23 Members reports and exchange of information on matters of concern.

It was reported that the flow of the river Ryton under the bridge at Spring Lane was one sided, as if half of the river were blocked under the bridge.

It was also reported that a motorist speeding through the village had mounted the kerb and badly damaged a road sign and stone wall at the church corner which will be reported to Notts Highways.

It was also asked if a quote could be received for salt bins for the village.

The brambles are re-appearing around the flood container which need pruning back.

Meeting ended at 21:05pm

Date of next meeting 9th January 2023

Balanced to statements as at

22.11.23

Nat West Current	15,398.81
Nat West Reserve	5,798.94
	<u>21,197.75</u>

Payments received since last meeting (inc in above)	
interest	7.36
fireworks donations	882.87
	<u>890.23</u>

The following Cheques are still unrepresented

2172 Sports & social	24.00
2176 CPRE	36.00
2177 Poppy appeal	25.00
	<u>85.00</u>

The following are to pay this meeting

2178 SLCC		450.00
2179 D West - sign cleaning		150.00
2180 Smith Derby (clock)		2,734.92
2181 SWH Ltd	contract nov 800	800.00
2182 HMRC		127.60
2183 S MacDonald - clerk wages		510.80
S MacDonald - expenses		60.00
S MacDonald - sand and bags		210.00
This months cheques		<u>5,043.32</u>
Total of all outstanding cheques		<u>5,128.32</u>

After the above movements the balances will be:

Nat West Current	10,270.49
Nat West Reserve	5,798.94

TOTAL FUNDS HELD**16,069.43**

Of which Firework balance is

862.39

Remaining Parish Council funds**15,207.04**

Shireoaks Parish Council – Crime Figures

November 2023

Bassetlaw – North West (Sandy Lane, Rhodesia, Shireoaks, Birds Estate Gateford)		
No. Incidents	Recorded Crimes	
136	74	

Shireoaks Results			
No. Incidents		Recorded Crimes	
Suspicious Incidents	8	Theft of Motor	1
Road Offences	3	Burglary Dwelling	1
Theft Other	1		
Road Traffic Collision	2		
Domestic Incidents	2	Total	2 (Down 6)
Abandoned Call	1	Total Last Month	8
Highways Disruption	1		
Theft of Motor	1		
Anti-Social Behaviour	1		
Total	20 (Up 1)		
Total Last Month	19		