

## SHIREOAKS PARISH COUNCIL

### **Minutes of the Meeting of 9th September 2014 held at 7.15pm At Shireoaks Village Hall**

#### **Present**

Cllr P Blagg (chair)

Cllrs: I Jones, S Fielding, Cllr B Ayton, Cllr G Robinson, Cllr C Atkinson and Cllr T Hunt and Clerk S MacDonald.

#### **4925 Public forum for discussion of any topic raised by residents.**

Rev Alvey came to the meeting to discuss the matter of the War Memorial restoration. He was unaware of the intentions of the members to restore this, despite the council having alerted the Church warden several months ago. He had received separately 2 letters from English Heritage about the memorial, including plans to make it listed by Bassetlaw District Council. He thinks that a faculty may be required to do the work but he will speak to Jonathan Pickett at Southwell and Nottingham Diocese and ask questions before his holidays as time is of the essence. It was agreed to email to Rev Alvey the details of the plans so that he could go to Nottingham with the information ASAP. **ACTION: Clerk**

#### **4926 To receive Apologies for Absence:**

Cllr Gosling

Cllr Pressley

#### **4927 Declaration of Interest:**

Cllr Fielding declared an interest in the planning issue to be discussed so this item was moved down to the end of the agenda in order to for her to leave the meeting beforehand.

#### **4928 To receive reports/information from County & District Councillors**

Cllr Pressley was not at the meeting but sent an email as follows:

I hope the Parish Council will discuss my previous suggestion for a joint programme of Projects for the Village over the next two years.

If the Parish Council agree we could ask for suggestions from the Residents through the Parish Magazine.

Regarding other issues the Vesuvius Development is now waiting for the Supermarket provider to come to an agreement with the developer on the way forward watch this space.

The District Council is at present looking at the Budget for 2014/15 with savings of nearly £1'000,000 to be made .

The District Council is also looking at having all out Elections every 4 Years and this will start in 2016 if this is agreed.

The proposed Development in Shireoaks is likely to go to the next planning Committee in October the Parish Council need to check on this and agree a Speaker to represent them at the Committee. As District Councillors we will be agreeing who will speak on this as we are only allowed one speaker.

Cllr S Fielding:

Bassetlaw District Council are having consultations with residents who are affected by the new 20m.p.h. school zone.

The car park hedge on Monks way is to be trimmed back shortly.

Between Oct and the end of the financial year an interactive speed sign is to be fitted at the A57 end of the village.

A lamp on Cartwright Street had smoke coming out of it recently Cllr Fielding got emergency highways out to make this safe. However there is some concern about this as this road is an un-adopted private road so we are not sure who is responsible for these lamps. Cllr Fielding is investigating further. **ACTION: S Fielding**

#### **4929 To approve the minutes of the meetings held on 8<sup>th</sup> July 2014**

The minutes of this meeting were proposed by Cllr Jones and seconded by Cllr Fielding.

#### **4930 Matters arising from the previous minutes**

Min No 4910(a) Planning Application 14/0023/OUT - Proposed Development off Shireoaks Common  
A Member enquired as to the current situation with regard to this planning application which was considered at the March meeting. Strict deadlines had been laid down to respond to the application yet no notification had been received from the District Council on the outcome.

It was also pointed out that the DC had not responded to a query raised on the two different closing dates advertised for receipt of representations (min 4880 May meeting)

It was agreed to

- 1) Ask the District Council to give an update on the application and to clarify the reasons why the application has not been dealt with within the time limits laid down.
- 2) To seek clarification on the two different closing dates. **ACTION: Clerk**

Min no 4917 Grass Cutting

The liability insurance and risk assessments have been received from North Notts Landscapes as asked for at the last meeting. The members asked how many cuts they had been contracted to do, which will be investigated. **ACTION: Clerk**

Min no 4918 Future Maintenance projects.

Cllr Fielding is awaiting response as to whether there are any spare benches for us to have in the village, replacing the damaged ones. **ACTION: Cllr Fielding**

Min no 4923 Members Reports

The hedges on one side of Spring Lane have been cut which makes a considerable difference to the entrance to the village. However the other side is not cut and members were concerned that the hedge is fattening out and thereby shrinks the road and hinders visibility. Cllr Fielding is to ask highways inspectors to take a look again. **ACTION: Cllr Fielding**



#### **4931 Casual Vacancy.**

The people interested in this position have not been in the village or registered to vote in the parish for 12 months until early December. Therefore it was agreed to wait until the November meeting to send out any forms and ask them if they are still interested at that time. **ACTION: Clerk**

#### **4932 Neighbourhood Plan.**

The plan is almost ready for consultation with the village. A leaflet will be dropped at each residence to explain the plan and ask for feedback once again. A public forum will also be held. The consultation period is 6 weeks which will be in October/November 2014. After this a Statement of community involvement is needed. It is hoped to be submitted to Bassetlaw in January for approval.

#### **4933 War Memorial Renovation Update.**

##### **a) Wood**

A quote has been received from Peter Cox Ltd with regards to treating the wood as part of the plan to renovate the Shireoaks war memorial. They have proposed to treat the wooden cross only with a timber gel. This treatment will help preserve the timber element of the memorial against potential woodworm infestation and fungal decay damage. This will cost £650 + VAT

##### **b) Stone**

The Lidster quote had been revised and resent as we now no longer need them to lay the plinth stones. This quote is now for cleaning, silane treatment and repointing of the stonework only. This will cost £1560 including VAT

##### **c) Plinth**

The plinth stones have been kindly donated by Arthur Cowley at Turner Wood, and we will only have to pay for the laying of these by Yellow Brick Landscapers Ltd of Worksop.

We are awaiting a confirmation from Rev Alvey as to whether a faculty is needed or not before anything can proceed. **ACTION: Clerk**

It was agreed to send a letter to all the District Councillors asking if there was any support available to help with this project. **ACTION: Clerk**

#### **4934 Grass Cutting.**

A map is to be produced of the village with clear markings of grass cutting areas and written instructions to go with it. It was felt that the present map was open to interpretation. This will hopefully mean that when grass cutting tenders are asked for next year the brief will be easier to follow. **ACTION Cllr Hunt/Clerk**

#### **4935 Future Maintenance projects**

Members requested purchasing some daffodil bulbs to plant around the village. **ACTION: Clerk**

It was also mentioned that the hedge along Shireoaks Row in front of the allotments and the hedge in front of Francis Field needed trimming. **ACTION: Cllr Blagg**

Last year the council were told that money may be available for new signs at the ends of the village. This was to be applied for in September. Cllr Fielding stated that new paperwork was being produced at the moment but she would check when we could have this. **ACTION: Cllr Fielding**

#### **4936 Handyman/Gardener**

It was agreed to renew D Gower contract for another 6 months. **ACTION: Clerk**

#### 4937 Finance

Balanced to statements as at 29.8.14

Nat West Current	£24,690.96
Nat West Reserve	£8,439.36
Nationwide Clock Fund	£887.30
	<u>£34,017.62</u>

The following Cheques are still unrepresented

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Payments received since last meeting

HMRC refund 2013	already in bal above	1686.37
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The following are to pay this meeting

North Notts landscapes grass cutting	1451	528.00
Clerk wages S MacDonald	1452	486.20
D Gower wages	1453	356.15
D Gower HMRC	1454	54.00
North Notts landscapes grass cutting	1455	528.00
		<u>1952.35</u>

After the above movements the balances in the bank accounts will be:

Nat West Current	Woodlands	£18,000.00	
	Parish Council	£4,738.61	£22,738.61
Nat West Reserve			£8,439.36
Nationwide Clock Fund			£887.30
	<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>		<b><u>£32,065.27</u></b>

#### 4938 Correspondence

- A response was received from Woodsetts CC stating that slow signs had been erected near the pedestrian entrance and a notice at the back of Shireoaks Row stating no parking. (min 4923)
- An email from Wendy Turner at Bassetlaw District Council stated that the road sweeper came to Shireoaks 3 times a year in April, August and December. (min 4923)
- A letter came from Best Kept Village Competition noting the council response. Their advice was to nominate sites that would be exempt from judging next year. (min 4922)
- A letter was received from Time Assured to say that they get the key from Mrs Bayliss in order to service the clock (min 4919)

#### 4939 Member's reports and exchange of information on matters of concern.

It was stated that Cllr Gosling and his wife had spent all day tidying up the village garden which looked very good. Dog fouling seemed to be a problem in the garden though.