

## Shillingford Parish Council

### Minutes of the Extraordinary meeting held on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2019

**Present:** Cllrs Carr (Chairman), Turner, Stamp, Parrott, Howard, Barwell, TDC Cllr Swain, Clerk Sarah Sharpe and 4 members of the public present.

- 1. Apologies for absence** – TDC Cllrs Foden and Nuttall
- 2. Declarations of Interest / Dispensations**– None
- 3. Open Forum** – No issues raised.
- 4. Operation London Bridge** – The Clerk said that this was a national contingency plan for the event of the death of HM Queen Elizabeth II. Plans such as these are periodically reviewed. Teignbridge District Council will have a book of Condolence in offices around the District in which members of the public can sign. We have been asked to advise TDC of an area within our Parish where flowers could be laid, which we would be prepared to manage when the time comes. It was agreed that the most suitable location would be the grass area around the village hall. Clerk to advise TDC.
- 5. Devon County Council (Haldon Forest) (Clearway) Order reference IMR/B16274-5735** – The Clerk advised that the proposal was to put a Clearway Order in place along the Haldon Forest ridge road from the A38 to Haldon Gate near the Belvedere Tower. Down the road to Clapham as far as the junction at Underdown and the Chdleigh road to Milestone Cross (waste disposal facility). This order is intended to prevent indiscriminate parking, damage and improve access. There will be no parking or stopping within the Clearway zone. The consultation closes at Midnight tonight and any comments should be placed on the DCC website. Following discussion, it was agreed that the Parish Council supported the Clearway Order.
- 6. To approve Statement of Accounts** (circulated) - The Clerk said that the Parish Council Accounts had gone through the Internal Audit. The Statement of Accounts was now presented for the Parish Council to approve and sign. It was resolved to approve and the Statement was signed by the Chairman.  
**Proposed Cllr Howard Seconded Cllr Turner All Agreed**
- 7. To agree and complete Governance Statement** – The Clerk took Councillors through each statement in the Governance Statement for them to agree. It was resolved to approve the Statement which was signed by the Chairman.  
**Proposed Cllr Stamp Seconded Cllr Turner All Agreed**
- 8. To agree remuneration / gift for provision of the first aid training session** – The Clerk said that the Council had previously indicated a wish to donate a gift card by way of a thank you to Stuart Holt, the paramedic who gave up his own time to run the first aid and defibrillator awareness session that we were able to offer free of charge to the community. It was agreed that a gift card to the value of £50 should be given from the Chairman's allowance.  
**Proposed Cllr Carr Seconded Cllr Parrott All Agreed**
- 9. Proposed Whitestone Landfill site at Lower Hare DCC/41/2018** – Following a request from a local action group for the Chairman to sign a letter of objection, this had been discussed at the last meeting. Cllr Carr met with the author of the request and visited the proposed site. He described the location and potential impact on the local landscape and environment. The request for the signature was on a letter objecting to the principle of DCC considering such a permission within an Area of Great Landscape Value. It was unanimously agreed that the Chairman should sign the letter of objection.
- 10. To receive an update on the Parish Planning process** – Cllr Barwell said that following an initial public meeting where it was decided that there would be a

questionnaire developed, there had been several subsequent meetings. A questionnaire has been designed. It will be printed with funding from VH committee and hand delivered to every household. Following completion, it will be collected, collated and results given to another public meeting. The results should support the Parish Council decisions in accordance with what the community want. The Parish Council felt that they could see the benefits of this and were happy to support and endorse it.

#### **11. Expenditure for Approval**

- 11.1 DALC Annual Subscription - £90.92
- 11.2 Noticeboard materials - £171.65
- 11.3 Hall Hire - £20.00
- 11.4 Gift Card - £50.00

**Proposed Cllr Carr Seconded Cllr Barwell All Agreed**

#### **12. Clerks Correspondence –** The Clerk updated on the following items:

**BT Consultation on telephone kiosks –** Once again the public kiosk provision is being reviewed. If the Shillingford St George kiosk is on the list when published, this will be raised at a future meeting.

**Applications are open for Rural Aid funding.** Applications must be in by 31 May. This fund is currently significantly under subscribed and the Clerk had not received any ideas for projects suitable for an application.

**Community Together Fund.** This is the fund that is paying for the Shillingford Remembers booklet. This funding stream is now closed and future grants will not be made. It has been replaced by Making the Connection Fund worth £30,000 and Doing what Matters fund worth £329,000. The first fund is for maximum of £300 bids to help establish or support local community groups that help people connect with others. The other fund is for bids that will have a significant impact on the wellbeing of local people and communities. The Clerk asked for any project ideas that fit that criteria.

#### **13. Public Discussion – A member of the public asked if there was any way of getting** people prepared to respond to the questionnaire to encourage involvement. It was suggested it could be made a talking point at the Open Door Café so that people are expecting it. It was also suggested that the questionnaire could be tested on a small group to make sure nothing has been left out. Cllr Barwell stated that there will be an advert in Country News to make people aware that it is coming.

#### **14. Chairman's Remarks –** The Chairman reiterated his comments at the earlier meeting, thanking the public and his team of councillors.

#### **15. Date of Next Meeting –** The next Ordinary meeting will be held on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2019.

The meeting closed at 8.40 pm

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