

## MINUTES OF THE SHELSLEYS PARISH COUNCIL

### Meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> March at 7.00pm in the year 2017

**Present:** (Chairman)Mr W Sutherland, Mrs C Warren, Mr D Bates, Mr J Stinton, Mr B Hart and Mr D Styles.

**In Attendance:**

County Councillor Dr Pollock the Clerk (Mrs J Speyer).

- 6.1 Apologies:** District Councillor Mrs Caroline Palethorpe. Mr C Roberts Mr M Whitefoot
- 6.2 Declaration of Interest:** Mr D Bates and Mr J Stinton item 6.15 (VHMC Committee Members)
- 6.3 Minutes:** The minutes of January 10th 2017 were proposed and seconded and signed as a true record.
- Public Question Time:** None.
- 6.4 County Councillor's report:**  
Dr Pollock had submitted a written report. The Clerk will circulate it to the Councillors. He elaborated on the contents and answered questions.  
**District Councillor's report:** Caroline Palethorpe sent a written report which was circulated with the agenda. The full reports will be available on the My Parish part of the WCC website.
- 6.5 Broadband:**  
Prior to the meeting Ste Ashton from WCC had informed the clerk there was no update on BT's re-evaluation for providing the Shelsleys' with Superfast Broadband. There is however a newly published Superfast Broadband newsletter.  
It was agreed that each councillor will contact local residents to gain their opinion and permission to forward details to BT and WCC in order to put pressure on providing a Superfast Broadband service.  
Harriett Baldwin MP will also be written to.
- 6.6 Highways, Footpaths and Lengthsman:**  
The Lengthsman will be asked to weed and tidy New Mill Bridge.  
Councillors inspected and agreed the worksheet for February.  
B 4203 Accidents. Three accidents were reported. It is thought they were due to excessive speed and not the road surface. One between JW Lane and Stanford Village Hall, one near Cheltry Cottages and one by Bird's Green.  
The newly painted and renovated railings at New Mill bridge have been repaired.  
Wall damaged by contractors. This is not considered to be a Parish Council matter but in order to facilitate the enquiry the clerk will contact Highways.
- 6.7 The Village Hall:**  
The agenda item to discuss possible futures for the Village Hall was deferred until the next meeting.
- 6.8 Planning:**  
There were no current planning applications to discuss.  
It was agreed that there would not be a planning group but that members would respond to applications between meetings via the clerk in a more effective manner.
- 6.9 Clerk's report on urgent decisions.** 17/00037/FUL Walcroft Farm erection of barn. The

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Clerk in consultation with the councillors recommended approval.

- 6.10 Correspondence and Consultations:** No comment to Minerals or Transport Plans.
- 6.11 Village Clean Up:** There is a large amount of litter within the parish and it is some time since the last litter pick. Councillors are of the opinion that MHDC should clear litter and the Clerk will contact MHDC to enquire.
- 6.12 Progress Reports:** No relevant reports.
- 6.13 Grants and Donations:**  
One request was received from the Nora Parsons Day Centre. £200 was agreed.
- 6.14 Finance:**  
The following payments were agreed.  
Clerk's salary and expenses.  
Lengthman's invoice.  
HMRC  
Monies received from WCC in respect of repayment for Lengthsman £380.00  
It was agreed to approach Lloyds Bank to enquire about moving the bank account.  
The clerk gave details of Audit training which she had attended.
- 6.15 Village Hall Management Committee:**  
A list of maintenance works and fund raising dates to pay for them was presented to the council.  
A burglar alarm is to be fitted to the hall.
- 6.16 CALC:**  
Councillor Training.  
Training details are circulated together with all CALC correspondence as per the Update received weekly.
- 6.17 Councillors' Reports and items for future agenda.**  
Pard House Lane. Road condition and excess water across it to be reported to Highways.  
Councillors would like a site meeting to discuss the problem with Highways.  
Highways to be asked about road sweeping.
- 6.18 Annual Parish Meeting:**  
The meeting will be held at 7pm in the Village Hall to be followed by the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council.
- 6.19 Meeting Dates for 2017:** May 9<sup>th</sup>, July 11<sup>th</sup>, September 12<sup>th</sup> and November 7<sup>th</sup>.
- 6.20 Date of the next meeting: May 9th 2017**

The meeting concluded at 8.25pm Jan Speyer March 9<sup>th</sup> 2017

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