

Shalden Parish Council
Ordinary Council Meeting of the Shalden Parish Council
Shalden Village Hall on Wednesday 28th September 2022 at 8pm

MINUTES

Present: Cllr Shirvell (Chair), Cllr Stewart, Cllr Hartgill and Cllr Wilson

No residents attended

Also present: K Horton (Clerk)

1) Welcome. Chair opened the meeting.

2) Apologies for Absence. One resident sent apologies. Cllr Kemp-Gee and Cllr Costigan sent apologies.

3) Declarations of Interest. None made.

4) Approval of Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 25th May 2022. Minutes accepted as accurate record and signed accordingly.

5) Matters arising from the last Minutes

- a) AGAR submission. Clerk confirmed that paperwork had been sent to External Auditor and no queries have been raised
- b) CIL Report. Has been submitted.
- c) Footpaths. Thanks noted to Footpath Warden for her work in encouraging residents to help ensure the footpaths are accessible. Countryside Services allowed a late change to the footpaths that they cut this season to avoid duplication with paths that had been maintained by local residents.
- d) AFC and the hire of the Rec. Contract has been signed with amendments to mowing schedule and fees. First invoice will be sent in October.

6) Public Session: Adjournment of the meeting for 10 minutes to allow the public to raise questions or speak on an agenda item. No residents in attendance.

7) To receive a Report from County Councillor Kemp-Gee. Correspondence received in lieu of Cllr Kemp-Gee's attendance noted that there has been no appeal lodged in relation to the proposed incinerator at Froyle. Cllr Kemp-Gee also confirmed his support of the proposed AONB to be covered under item 10b of the agenda.

8) To receive a Report from District Councillor Costigan. Correspondence received in lieu of Cllr Costigan's attendance highlighted how EHDC are addressing the issue of waste and recycling collections for residents. It is hoped issues around missed bin collections will be addressed by increased rates of pay and training of the new employees.

9) Village Hall Committee – update from Cllr Hartgill.

- Estimates have been received for repairing damaged pane and improving fit of existing door.
- Jubilee book is progressing and orders will be taken. Aim is to distribute before Christmas
- Plans for Fireworks in progress with training attended. Village Hall Committee are aware that there is no oven in the Rec Pavilion.
- Insurance claim being managed by Treasurer. Thanks noted for his attention to this matter.

10) Parish Council Finances/Administration

a) Finances

- i) To receive the current finance report. No questions raised in relation to payments made since last meeting and report signed
- ii) To approve the payments for October and November. Clerk's Q2 salary payment approved

b) Correspondence

- Councillors' Register of Interest. Clerk thanked Councillors for completing the details and will submit to EHDC

- North Hampshire Downs AONB. Email circulated ahead of meeting. Councillors considered request and were in agreement that SPC will write to District and County Councillors as well as MP. It was suggested that naming speculative development plans undermines strength of argument. Clerk to share feedback and draft letters.
- External Auditor. Councillors were in agreement that SPC would remain part of the SAAA sector led appointment scheme and SPC would not appoint its own external auditor.
- HALC Constitution. Councillors confirmed they were supportive of changes which appear to be HALC keeping up with best practice.
- Fireworks. Clerk to provide Village Hall Committee with Rec hire agreement which clarifies their responsibility for event.
- Letter of condolence. Book of Condolence will be filed with PC papers in line with NALC guidance.

11) Items for next agenda

- Budget
- EHDC Planning. What reassurances can Cllr Costigan secure in relation to improvements in time management of processing applications.

12) Date of next meeting – 30th November 2022, 8pm

Meeting closed: 8:45pm

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Signed: A Shirvell, Chair of SPC

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