

**Draft**  
**Minutes of the meeting of Shirwell Parish Council**  
**held on the**  
**10<sup>th</sup> July 2014 at 7.30 pm in the Parish Hall**

**Present**

Cllr M Pine Chairman  
Cllr J Friend Vice Chairman  
Cllr B Conibeare  
Cllr Mrs N Incedon  
Cllr Mrs D Lewis  
Cllr R Pelling

Also in attendance District Councillor J Tucker, County Councillor A Davis and 1 members of the public

Officer G Dwyer Clerk

**Apologies for Absence**

Cllr D Tucker PCSO A Berry

**Public Question Time**

*The Chairman suspended Standing Orders to enable members of the public to ask questions of the Council*

A member of the public mentioned a minor recent accident attributable to the congestion caused by parking at the school. After discussion when it was noted that this was not within the power of the Parish Council to solve it was **RESOLVED** THE Clerk to write to the school outlining the problem and copy the letter to the Police service.

NB it might be possible to utilise the Public Open Space money raised at the last meeting. It was further **RESOLVED** that the Clerk speak to the Community Development Officer at North Devon Council regarding this use of the money.

It was questioned whether it would be possible to limit Village hall parking to the layby but noted that providing the vehicles were road legal they were allowed to park on the Public Highway.

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish held on the 12 June 2014**

**RESOLVED** That the minutes as previously circulated be approved and signed by the Chairman

**Matters Arising**

There were no matters arising

## **Matters brought forward from the previous meeting**

It was proposed that a bench in memory of Trevor Squires be placed on the green adjacent to the village shop. It was noted that his widow would cover any shortfall. **RESOLVED** That this be done and the Clerk to write to the owners of the Lodge, Shirwell Stores and the insurance company notifying of the addition to the councils assets to the value of £138.00.

## **Shredder**

The shredder used by the Clerk for Parish Council business had broken down and it was resolved that a replacement machine at a cost of £38.00 be bought

## **Cheques for Payment**

Cheques for the Clerk's salary (£100.00) and a replacement shredder (£38.00) were signed at the meeting

## **Report of the County Councillor**

The County Councillor reminded the Council of the Library Consultation process and requested they participate if they haven't already done so. She also reported that the storm damage to the road at Zig-Zag was due for repair

## **Questions to the County Councillor**

- County Cllr Davis undertook to check when Collard Bridge was due for repair
- A comment was made at the seemingly poor use of SW Highways staff where too many turned up for simple jobs. It was noted that they were a contractor to the Highways Authority and not directly employed staff

## **Report of the District Councillor**

The District Councillor reported on the following

- A leaflet on dog fouling was available and would be included in the Parish Magazine
- There would be an open evening in 2015 for prospective District Councillors
- There is a Rural Alliance meeting on the 17<sup>th</sup> July 2014 at 5.30 in Bratton Flemming Village hall to discuss the local plan
- Home Improvement Grants are available for those eligible, the contact number is 08000124749

## **Questions to the District Councillor**

There were no questions

## Report of the Police Representative

PCSO Adam Berry apologised for his non-attendance but had forwarded the following report

### **Crime Report**

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Shirwell Parish Council

01<sup>st</sup> June 2014 – 30<sup>th</sup> June 2014

This Report comprises all incidents recorded and crimes recorded within the time frame stated above, as recorded with Devon and Cornwall Police. It also contains any proactive policing / other policing operations that might have taken place. All statistics are gathered from the Shirwell area only, and are in accordance with Data Protection legislation:

#### **INCIDENTS (0)**

- No incidents this month

#### **RECORDED CRIMES (0)**

- No recorded crimes this month

#### **OTHER OPERATIONS**

- We will be conducting some speed monitoring/enforcement over the next months

#### **OTHER INCIDENTS TO BE AWARE OF**

- We have had a few shed breaks again in the Bishops Tawton area so please can I ask people to ensure all sheds and outbuildings are kept as secure as possible and people are staying vigilante. However there is some good news because 3 arrests were made in connection to these shed breaks.

Any questions arising from this crime report should be directed towards your local Police officer, PCSO Adam Berry 30626  
Email: [30626@devonandcornwall.pnn.police.uk](mailto:30626@devonandcornwall.pnn.police.uk)

## Questions to the Police Representative

There were no questions

## Secn 106 Public Open Space Money

An item had been placed in the Parish Magazine for July and August and would be on the agenda for September 2014

## Correspondence

The following correspondence had been received

- **External Auditor** – approval of 2013/2014 audit return
- **North Devon and Torridge** - draft local plan

## Planning Applications

- **Application 57530** Listed Building Application for erection of 4 bay oak framed garage at Plaistow Barton Shirwell, Barnstaple  
**RESOLVED** to recommend **APPROVAL**
- **Application 57581** Installation of 27.5m column mast with 6 no. antennas, 2 no. 300mm dishes, radio equipment housing & ancillary development in South West corner of field at land south of Youlston Park Shirwell Road (A39) Shirwell Barnstaple. **RESOLVED** to recommend **REFUSAL** as the application is inaccurate regarding the statement on trees adjacent to the site. It is also felt that locating the facility further away would enable better screening to lessen the visual impact
- **Application 57602** Erection of agricultural building for housing livestock at Hartland View Shirwell Barnstaple  
*Cllr Lewis declared a prejudicial interest, left the room and did not speak or vote on the application*  
**RESOLVED** to recommend **APPROVAL**
- **Application 57643** Extension to dwelling at Woolcott Farm Shirwell Barnstaple **RESOLVED** to recommend **APPROVAL**

## Planning Decisions

There were none

## Report from Councillors

The Chairman expressed concern at the poor attendance at the Rural Alliance meeting which had been held at Shirwell Village hall

## Clerks Report

The Clerk reported that the Environment Agency had confirmed the flooding problem to the stream in the village was the landowner's responsibility

**Urgent Business**

There was none

The meeting closed at 8.24 pm

Chairman:.....

Dated:.....