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Minutes of the meeting of Shirwell Parish Council held on the 11th February 2016 at 7.30 pm in the Parish Hall

Present

Cllr M Pine Chairman
Cllr J Friend
Cllr M Hayward
Cllr Mrs Inledon
Cllr Mrs D Lewis

Also in attendance 6 members of the public.

Officer

G Dwyer Clerk

Apologies for Absence

Cllrs A Conibear, R Pelling, County Councillor A Davis and District Councillor J Tucker

The Parish Council sent their wishes for a speedy recovery to District Councillor Tucker

Public Question Time

With members permission the Chairman suspended Standing Orders to allow members of the public to speak

The Chairman of the Village Hall Committee had received a letter of complaint which inferred that a similar letter had been sent to the Parish Council and asked the Council to consider a joint response. An anonymous letter had been received by the Parish Council which they obviously were unable to reply to, making a joint response impossible.

The meeting resumed under standing orders.

Minutes of the meeting held on the 14th January 2016

RESOLVED that the minutes as previously circulated be approved and signed by the Chairman subject to the recording of the apology for absence from District Councillor Tucker being amended to remove the addition of 'Hayward'.

Matters Arising

- Community Fund Application for Lengthman work. The Clerk reported that Pilton West Parish Council had expressed an interest in working with Shirwell on submitting a bid to the Community Fund for a scheme to maintain drains in their areas. **RESOLVED** the Clerk pursue this possibility

Matters brought forward from the previous meeting

There were no matters brought forward.

Sec'n 106 Money

A questionnaire had been distributed to 173 households and 34 replies had been received. **RESOLVED** that an article be placed in the Parish Magazine again highlighting the importance of replying to the survey, and it be placed on the agenda for the Annual General Meeting of the Parish

Cheques for Payment

Cheque for the Clerk's salary (£110.00), C Seage Grass Cutting (£105.00) Clevera- web site hosting (£35.96) Village Hall room hire (£105.00), Methodist Church circuit grant (£75.00) Shirwell Parish Church grant (£150.00), Shirwell Village Hall grant (£400.00) were signed at the meeting

Report of the County Councillor

County Councillor Mrs A Davis had apologised for her non-attendance

Questions to the County Councillor

There were no questions

Report of the District Councillor

The District Councillor had apologised for his non-attendance

Questions to the District Councillor

There were no questions

Report of the Police Representative

No report had been received

Correspondence

The following correspondence had been received

- Clevera web site hosting invoice
- Electoral review of Devon- final report
- Combiner Authority Devolution document
- Rural Alliance minutes - November

Planning Applications

There were none

Planning Decisions

Application 60255 Listed Building Application to replace front door and door frame, and replace glass half-moon window and frame above door at Plaistow Barton Road to Plaistow Barton, Shirwell Barnstaple- **Approved**

Report from Councillors

- Concern was expressed at the pool of water on the road between the B3230 and A39 which it was virtually impassable for ordinary cars to pass through. The County Councillor had been informed and would get the problem investigated when the water level had dropped enough to see the where the problem was. It was pointed out that it was on a back road and as such would be a low priority as money for this type of work was not readily available. **RESOLVED** that Councillor Pine obtain a quote from S. W Highways for drain clearing.
- Notice had been given that Devon County would be dumping road soil on the verges between Upcott Cross and Hartland View Farm at Garmans Down. A complaint had been made to DCC ref 15841450 and pr ref h4220096. **RESOLVED** the Clerk to contact **DCC** regarding the complaint

Clerks Report

- The Clerk updated the Parish Council on the joint TAP fund with East Down. It was **RESOLVED** that this parish Council could not pay East Downs Bills unless they were submitted in a timely manner.

Public Questions regarding business on this agenda

In response to a question it was noted that it had not been possible to get a price for the land adjacent to the existing Village Hall.

Urgent Business

There was none

The meeting closed at 8.27pm

Chairman:.....

Dated:.....