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Minutes of the meeting of Shirwell Parish Council
held on the
12th June 2014 at 7.30 pm in the Parish Hall

Present

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

Also in attendance District Councillor J Tucker, County Councillor A Davis, PCSO Charles (part meeting) and 2 members of the public

Officer G Dwyer Clerk

Apologies for Absence

Councillor A Conibeare

Public Question Time

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

A discussion was held regarding decisions for the use of the collection in memory of Trevor Squires (Shirwell Postman) who had died recently. It was noted that suggestions included donating the money to his Widow or using part of it to place a plaque over the Village post box. **RESOLVED** that the Parish Council look into the possibility of placing a memorial plaque on the post box.

A member of the public thanked the Chairman and villagers who had strimmed the grass at Tollbar Cross to improve sightlines. It was noted that other areas were causing concerns and maybe it was necessary for rural villages to do more on general maintenance in view of the poor financial position of local authorities. **RESOLVED** that this be considered at a future meeting

It was reported that the Shirwell road sign is missing. **RESOLVED** Cllr A Davis to pursue

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Matters Arising

It was noted that for Traffic regulation reasons it was not feasible to extend the 30mph limit to Waytown Farm, Shirwell

Matters brought forward from the previous meeting

There were no matters brought forward

Cheques for Payment

It was noted that the new chequebook had not yet been received.

Payments for the Clerk's salary (£100.00), balance of Community First Insurance renewal premium (£32.31), R Pelling for AMP catering (£20.00) and Internal Auditors recompense (£14.63) were approved at the meeting, **RESOLVED** the above Cheques to be signed outside the meeting when the replacement chequebook was received.

It was noted that the current account balance excluding the above was £4473.83

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

Questions to the County Councillor

There were no questions

Report of the District Councillor

Councillor Tucker reported on the following points

- Changes to the Planning System a copy of a briefing note has been forwarded to all Councillors
- The new system for voting registration which is effective from June 2014. Currently registered electors will be either be advised they have been automatically transferred or advised they need to provide further information. New applications to register can be made on-line or in a paper format
- The relocation of the District Council from the Civic Centre is proceeding according to programme
- A fund to assist installation of Broadband to public buildings has been set up

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

Shirwell Parish Council

01st May 2014 – 31st May 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 (2)

- Sheep worrying
- RTC- two vehicles head on (road to collard bridge campsite)

RECORDED CRIMES (1)

- Theft of Motor vehicle

OTHER OPERATIONS

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

OTHER INCIDENTS TO BE AWARE OF

- Currently no other incidents to be aware of

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

Questions to the Police Representative

It was noted that the works to Collard Bridge would start in 4 to 6 weeks

Concern was expressed at the poor response time for the Police 101 number, **RESOLVED** that the Clerk write to the Chief Constable and Police and Crime Commissioner expressing the Council's concern

Secn 106 Public Open Space Money

District Councillor Tucker had received confirmation from the Community Development Officer of North Devon Council that there was £19k of secn 106 money available to be spent in Shirwell Parish 'towards the provision, enhancement and maintenance of Public Open Space, Sports, Recreation and Leisure facilities' He had also been advised that getting the agreement changed to allow the money to be spent on other things would be difficult, if not impossible, fortunately however, the definition of public open space is

quite wide and the money could potentially be spent on Village Hall Improvements, Play Facilities, Street Furniture etc.. The money reverts to the developer in 5 years if not spent.

RESOLVED that the Clerk prepare an article for the Parish Magazine asking for suggestions from parishioners and the matter be considered by the Parish Council in September 2014

Correspondence

The following correspondence had been received

- DALC newsletter Jun 2014
- Changes to the Planning System
- Temporary Road Closures at Clysthayes Bridge (20, 23 June) Adjacent to Brightlycott farm (18,19 June) and Upcott Cross – Brockham Bridge (17 June) for patching works

Planning Applications

Cllr J Friend declared a prejudicial interest in the application, left the meeting and did not speak or vote thereon

Application 57162 Part retrospective application for erection of porch, installation of biomass boiler and replacement of door at Brightlycott Farm Shirwell Barnstaple **RESOLVED** to recommend approval

Planning Decisions

56687 The Millens, Penny Hill Shirwell. Proposed conversion of agricultural building to form one Live/Work Unit at Penny Hill. (Agricultural Building NW of the Millens Shirwell - **Approval**

Report from Councillors

The small stream adjacent to the almshouses in the centre of the village had been blocked by debris. **RESOLVED** the Clerk to contact the Environment Agency to report the problem

Clerks Report

The Clerk had nothing to report

Urgent Business

There was none

The meeting closed at 8.30 pm

Chairman:.....

Dated:.....