

**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of Shirwell Parish Council
held on the
26th May 2022 in the Village Hall**

Present

Cllr J Friend (Chairman, elected at the meeting)
Cllr R Pelling
Mrs S Parkhouse
Cllr Mrs S Pine
Cllr S Shortridge

District Councillor J Tucker and 1 member of the public.

Officer

G Dwyer

May22/1 Election of Chairman (the Clerk took the chair for this item only)

Cllr J Friend was proposed and seconded, there being no other nominations it was **RESOLVED** that Cllr J Friend be elected Chairman for the ensuing municipal year.

May22/2 Election of Vice Chairman

Cllr Mrs L Campbell was proposed and seconded, there being no other nominations it was **RESOLVED** that Cllr Mrs L Campbell be elected Vice Chairman for the ensuing municipal year.

May22/3 Apologies for Absence

Cllr Mrs L Campbell, Cllr J Watts and County Councillor A Davis

May22/5 Public Question Time

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

- It was requested that future meetings be held in the Newton Room as the acoustics were better there..

The meeting resumed under standing orders

May22 /6 Minutes of the meeting held on the 14th 2022

RESOLVED that the minutes as previously circulated be approved.

May22/7 Inspection of Defibrillator

The defibrillator had been inspected and cleaned.

May22 /8 Cheques for Payment

Clerks salary (£125.00), Comm First Insurance Premium (£161.35)

May22/9 Report of the County Councillor

County Cllr Mrs Davis had apologised for her non-attendance

May22/10 Questions to the County Councillor

There were no questions

May22/11 Report of the District Councillor

Councillor Tucker commented briefly as follows

- CAB Annual report highlighted how important their work was
- The Planning System at NDC was pressurized due to staff shortages
- Sewage Leaks were causing problems
- The refuse collection system was struggling but coping.

May22/12 Questions to the District Councillor

There were no questions

May22/13 Correspondence

The following correspondence had been received

- DALC Newsletter
- CAB annual report
- Notification of a road closure at Toll Bar Cross to Shirwell Village on the 8th June for 1 week
- The Councils web site management company were reviewing prices

May22/14 Planning Applications

Application 75283 Replacement of existing temporary dwelling with new permanent dwelling. at Ruby Lodge Shirwell Barnstaple Devon EX31 4J
Cllr Mrs Pine declared a prejudicial interest in this application, left the room and did not speak or vote on the application.

After consideration of the proposal it was **RESOLVED** to recommend approval but concern was expressed at the size of the proposed dwelling

May22/15 Planning Decisions

There were none

May22/16. 2021/2022 Annual Accounts

The Clerk advised Councillors that the Internal Auditor had approved the accounts and it was **RESOLVED** to authorised the Chairman and Clerk to complete the necessary Audit returns

May22/17 Report from Councillors

- Councillors expressed concern at the debris on Langafor Hill caused by contractors transporting quarry stone from the recent Euroforest timber extraction site. DCC has been advised.

May22/18 Clerks Report

The Clerk drew Councillor attention to the letter from their website mangers advising them that costs would increase next month. It was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk seek quotes from other providers.

May22/19 Public Questions regarding business on this agenda

There was none

May22/20 Urgent Business

There was none

The meeting closed at 7.51 pm

Chairman:.....

Dated:.....