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**Minutes of the meeting of Shirwell Parish Council
held on the
12th January 2023 in the Village Hall**

Present

Cllr J Friend (chairman)
Cllr Mrs C Parkhouse
Cllr R Pelling
Cllr Mrs S Pine
Cllr S Shortridge
Cllr J Watts

Also present County Councillor Mrs A Davis and District Councillor J Tucker

Officer

G Dwyer

Jan23/1 Apologies for Absence

There were none

Jan23/2 Public Question Time

There were no members of the public present

Jan23/3 Minutes of the meeting held on the 8th December 2022

RESOLVED that the minutes as previously circulated be approved

Jan23/4 Matters arising from the minutes

There were none

Jan23/5 Inspection of Defibrillator

The defibrillator had been inspected and cleaned.

Jan23/6 Report of the County Councillor

County Cllr Mrs Davis had apologised for her late arrival and briefly mentioned the following matters

- The possibility of a 20mph speed limit through the village had not been supported due to financial cutbacks. It was **RESOLVED** that the matter be raised again when finances improved and the Clerk contact the Police again for support in setting up a speed watch group
- Despite cut backs the local bus service had been maintained

Jan23/7 Questions to the County Councillor

- Concern was expressed at the condition of the road adjacent to the hospital which had seriously degraded during the prolonged works in that area
- *Cllr Shortridge declared a prejudicial interest in the following as his house was affected*
A blocked drain had caused repeated ingress of water to his and neighbours properties. Cllr Davis requested he send the details to her and she would take the necessary action..

Jan23/8 Report of the District Councillor

District Councillor J Tucker briefly mentioned the following

- Photo ID's are now required in order to vote at any election
- The public toilets in the cattle market have been closed due to misuse
- A Planning Enforcement Officer has visited Coxleigh Barton following recent planning issues
- Strict controls have been introduced on puppy breeding
- Unauthorised felling of trees is being clamped down on.
- National Housing targets which had impacted local planning controls might be rescinded shortly.
- Further enforcement action was being taken to ensure the unauthorised field entrance opposite Carousel at Bur ridge was restored

Jan23/9 Questions to the District Councillor

There were none

Jan23/10 Correspondence

The following correspondence has been circulated

- DALC newsletter
- ND weekly Bulletin
- The Bulletin
- Parish Funding

Other general correspondence was noted

Jan23/11 Planning Applications

Application 76189. Middle Barn at Sewell's Shirwell Barnstaple Devon EX31 4JX Replacement of existing agricultural barn with new outbuilding for ancillary accommodation to adjacent residential barn conversion. RESOLVED to recommend **REFUSAL** as the Part Q permission was to convert existing agricultural buildings and this was more than that.

Application 76365 Rays Yard Land and Buildings to the East of Hartpiece Farm Shirwell Devon EX31 4LG Application for lawful development certificate for proposed new pitched roof to existing B2 General Industrial Building together with minor internal & external Alterations. **RESOLVED** to recommend **APPROVAL**

Application 76360. Warren Cottages Shirwell Barnstaple EX31 4JZ Two storey rear extension. **RESOLVED** to recommend **APPROVAL** although concern was expressed at the proposed external finish.

Jan23/12 Planning Decisions

There were none recorded at the meeting

Jan23/13 Cheques for Payment

A cheque for £125.00 to G Dwyer (Clerks salary) was signed at the meeting

Jan23/14 Reports from Councillors

There were none

Jan23/15 Clerks Report

The Clerk had nothing to report

Jan23/16 Public Questions regarding business on this agenda

There was none

Jan23/17 Urgent Business

There was none

The meeting closed at 8.00 pm

Chairman:.....

Dated:.....