



Shalden Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting of Shalden Parish Council held in the Village Hall on Wednesday 18th April 2018 at 8.00 pm.

Present: Andrew Shirvell (Chairman), Rosemary Hartgill and Martin Nonhebel

Also in attendance: Rob Wood (Clerk)

1. Apologies: Tony Jenkins

2. Minutes: The minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 31st January 2018 were reviewed and agreed as a true record and were signed by the Chairman.

3. Matters arising:

a. Alton Sports Centre (M. Nonhebel). Martin had written to the Alton Herald regarding the building of the new sports centre and its cost.

b. Roads (A. Shirvell). Andrew let the council know that local resident Michael Campbell had approached him to inform him that he had personally contacted County Councillor Mark Kemp-Gee (MKG) regarding the state of local roads.

c. Following on from the APM (M. Nonhebel), Cllr MKG has arranged to meet with Peter Wilson regarding the closeness of traffic on the Old Odiham Road to his property.

d. Correspondance

i. SLPP – to be discussed in point 4. A poster regarding this was put onto the Parish noticeboards by the Clerk.

ii. EHDC Coors brewery site development: survey about future of Community Centre. Councillors who wished to had fed back their opinions via the survey and public meeting. A copy of the information received was put onto the Parish noticeboards by the Clerk.

iii. HALC Membership document. The council agreed to be bound by the regulations within this document.

iv. Boundary Commission: invitation to complete survey regarding changes to our electoral ward (loss of Holybourne as separate ward and gain of area to west including Bentworth

4. Southampton to London Pipeline Project: Councillors had been provided access to either a paper copy of the documentation prior to the meeting or details of the website. A. Shirvell, M. Nonhebel and Clerk attended a useful public exhibition by ESSO about the project on the 29th of March. The Council discussed the information currently available regarding the potential route of the pipeline. Essentially three routes are being considered, one of which (corridor 'D') passes through our Parish. This is not ESSO's preferred route, which follows the path of the existing pipeline. The corridor under consultation is 200 m wide and once the final corridor has been selected this summer, the final route of the pipeline and working corridor (20-30 m wide) will be consulted on. The Council filled in the questionnaire provided by ESSO by means of a response. The Council has opposed corridor 'D' giving reasons of potential impact on wildlife and plants, potential impact on the local water source and potential problems caused to Parish residents during installation of the pipeline.

5. Mike Trapaud Memorial bench: The Clerk was approached by Ian Holliday, on behalf of the Village Hall committee to request permission for the relocation of the noticeboard located outside of the village hall, the position of the bench and associated landscaping work. Plans were provided and posts marking the position of both items were put in to help the Council understand the plans fully. After discussion it was agreed that the proposed location of the noticeboard and bench be approved.

The cost of the required groundwork was raised and the Council were concerned about the this. Given the amount of money needed from Village Hall committee funds, the Parish Council have suggested that if they were required to do the work themselves that the job would have been put out to competitive tender to minimise cost and recommend that this is done ahead of any work starting on site. **Action: R. Hartgill to pass on to VH Committee. NB. After the meeting the Clerk was approached for an answer and replied on behalf of the council.**

6. Parish Council Financial Regulations: The Clerk had prepared a set of Financial Regulations using the model regulations provided by the NALC. These were shared with the Parish Council ahead of the meeting and they were adopted without alteration by the Council (Proposed R. Hartgill, seconded M. Nonhebel).

7. AOB:

a. Bank reconciliation: The Clerk presented an income and expenditure document for the year 2017/18. The balance at 1st April 2018 was calculated to be £3829.49 which was reconciled with the latest bank statement. The current balance was given as £2930.23.

b. In order to update the contact details for the Council's banking, the Clerk (Dr Robert J. Wood) is added as a signatory to the accounts and becomes the corresponding address for the accounts. To comply with Natwest banking rules, a document was provided which will be used to make this change. It was resolved that the authorised signatories in the current mandate, for the accounts detailed in section 2 of the document, be changed in accordance with sections 5 and 6 and the current mandate will continue as amended.

c. The cost of maintaining the recreation ground was raised by M. Nonhebel as he was concerned that too few local residents use it. It was thought that a number of young people, families and (dog) walkers enjoy this land and that mowing the land should continue to be supported by the Council.

d. Local roads: M. Nonhebel brought up the condition of the local roads which he felt was below the expected standard. This topic had been discussed at the APM the previous month and Cllr MKG had taken this on board at that meeting. After some discussion, it was decided that the Council should write to Cllr MKG to ask what progress had been made since the APM. The Clerk questioned whether people living in the parish were using the correct channels to report potholes (website to report). The council suggested that the Clerk put a note in the Villager about this. **Action: Clerk to contact Mark Kemp-Gee and put a note in the Villager.**

f. Dog mess on FP#2: This was noted to be a problem from time to time and the Council discussed buying a Dog mess bin. This was not thought to be a cost effective solution.

g. Andrew Shirvell honorarium: the Clerk raised the point that our Chairman had worked as acting Parish Clerk between September 2017 – February 2018 but had not yet received any pay for this work. The Chairman was thanked by the council for taking on this role and it was agreed to pay him an honorarium of £500 in payment for his work.