

Shaw-cum-Donnington Parish Council

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Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held by video conference on Wednesday, 18th November 2020 at 7.30pm.

Present

Bill Graham (Chairman), Paul Bryant (PB), Mary Carter (MC), Sean Doherty (SD), Tony Harris (TH), Glyn Thomas (GT), and Colin Yates (CY).

In attendance: John Austin (Clerk), 2 members of the public.

Note: P = proposed, S = seconded (All decisions unanimous unless otherwise indicated)

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Apologies

There were no apologies

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Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

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Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 21st October 2020 were approved as a true record. (P – GT, S – TH)

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Matters arising

4439/2. All waste bins in Dene Way had now been emptied

4439/3. The inconsiderate parking in Shaw Road had been resolved with both Cllr. Jeff Beck and the police being very helpful.

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Correspondence

1. An e-mail from WBC noting there were no CIL payments due to the Parish for the April to Sept 2020 period
2. NALC were launching a campaign to promote local elections. Although aimed at next year's local elections there were some resources that may be useful in recruiting Councillors.
3. An email from WBC noting that libraries would close from 5 November to 2 December due to national lockdown 2.
4. An email from WBC noting that SID equipment loan will be suspended until at least 3 December due to lockdown 2.
5. A further complaint had been received by WBC concerning speeding in Long Lane. Cheryl Evans had replied appropriately.
6. A consultation by WBC in respect of proposals to develop additional resourced provisions for learners with Special Educational Needs. TH will respond.

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Finance

1. The following payments were agreed:

Robert Walker	Litter picking October 2020	64.25
John Austin	Salary and expenses October 2020	697.39
SSE Contracting	Street light repair	98.95
Suzanne Trousdale	Pavilion cleaning Sept/Oct	32.25
Cllr. Bill Graham	Property repairs	16.50
Came & Co	Mower Insurance 2020/21	226.67
HMRC	PAYE/NIC	205.24
Veolia	Bin emptying September 2020	72.77
		<u>£1,414.02</u>

P – MC, S – SD

Sign off – GT/CY

Authorise: Chairman/TH

A donation of £50 was agreed for the Royal British Legion (P – PB, S – SD)

2. Budget 2021/22

- i. After a long discussion it was agreed to budget to convert the church car park lights to LED. PB is trying to persuade WBC to transfer ownership and responsibility for the lights to the Parish Council.
- ii. The budget for the cost of the Traffic Management equipment should be rolled over to next year.
- iii. The Council will commence discussions with the Church diocese over the use of the primary school when it becomes redundant due to the building of a new school on the north Newbury development. £10,000 should therefore be included in the budget for initial investigative costs for possible conversion of the school to a community hub if this proves to meet with diocesan approval;. (P - PB, S – SD)

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District Councillor's report.

LD was thanked once again (via SD) for a very comprehensive report.

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Planning

1. Applications

20/02389/HOUSE Elm Cottage, Grange Farm, Long Lane, Shaw RG14 2TF

Small two storey extension

Council decision: No objection P – MC, S - CY

20/02541/REG3 & 20/02542/LBC2 Shaw House, Church Road, Shaw RG14 2DR

New doors walls and linings relating to fire protection works

Council decision: No objection P – SD, S - Chairman

2. WBC decisions

20/00623/FUL Bracken Cottage, Snelsmore Common, RG14 3BG

Demolish and rebuild house

Granted

20/01193/HOUSE White Lodge, Donnington Grove, Donnington RG14 2LA

Two storey rear extension

Refused

20/01944/COND5 Land adjacent to Hilltop Donnington

Application for approval of details of reserved conditions 20 and 31

Approved

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Community Planning Steering Group

The next meeting will take place on 7th December when the plan is to discuss input concerning the old and new schools.

There is still a lot of funding opportunities about but all need a viable scheme. It was agreed to move any surplus budget from the Parish Plan project to the Steering Group.

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Amenities

There were no official reports.

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Highways

1. After the discussions at the previous meeting PB and the Chairman had done a survey and circulated their findings to Councillors. The conclusion of the survey was that there was little that could be done about the parking situation.
2. Speeding. There was no change to WBC proposals since April and no notice appeared to have been taken of parish concerns. MC was taking part in a Zoom conference between WBC and parishes on 26th November. PB and GT will join in the conference as well.

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Footpaths

There were no official reports

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Members Reports and Questions

Nothing had yet been heard back reference road names for the new development

There being no other business the meeting closed at 09.15pm