

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SHOSCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 14<sup>th</sup>**  
**JANUARY 2021**

**Present: Alan Keating, Carolyn Keating (Chair), Glen Harrington, Ian Cannock (Vice-Chair), Danielle Parker, Tricia Wastvedt, Joy Schneiderman, Fiona Crockett and Jean Fossaceco (Clerk)**

**Also present: Matt McCabe and Angelina Lewis**

- 1. Apologies:** None
- 2. Declaration of Interests for this meeting:** None declared
- 3. Resolution to proceed to fill Parish Council vacancies via co-option. Short presentation by Angelina Lewis followed by proposals and a vote by Council members –** Angelina Lewis gave a short presentation detailing her move to Shoscombe, her interests and her reasons for wishing to join Shoscombe Parish Council. She wishes to become involved with environmental issues, sustainability and recycling. A vote was taken – proposed – Carolyn Keating and seconded – Danielle Parker. The result was unanimous. Ms Lewis signed her Declaration of Acceptance, held it up to the camera for all to see and was then able to formally join the meeting as a councillor. The clerk will make sure she receives the additional paperwork as soon as possible.
- 4. 10 Minutes Public Participation:** None declared
- 5. Minutes of the last meeting:** Both the minutes of the 12<sup>th</sup> November and 3<sup>rd</sup> December were found to be correct.

<b>6. Clerk's Report</b>	<b>ACTION</b>	<b>TIMELINE</b>
As distributed. Items mentioned will be covered on the agenda.		
<b>7. Financial Matters:</b>		
<p><b>The following payments were passed for payment – proposed – Ian Cannock and seconded -Carolyn Keating. All in favour.</b></p> <p><b>Payments out:</b>                      Clerk's Quarterly Salary - £532.00                      Clerk's Quarterly expenses - £59.33                      HMRC £133.00                      R&amp;A Fibreglass Holdings Ltd (Village Hall repairs) - £10,507.20                      Village Hall - donation towards repair costs (see Item 11C) £1000                      Hamilton Terrace CiC - Donation towards bid costs see (Item 10A) £200</p> <p><b>Payments in:</b>                      £10,507.20 from Village Hall Management Committee</p> <p><b>Precept for new financial year 2021/22:</b>                      Following discussions regarding the setting of the precept taking into account regular expenditure and plans for future initiatives for the forthcoming financial year, it was agreed unanimously to keep this at the same amount as the previous year - <b>£10, 522.20</b>. Proposed – Ian Cannock and seconded – Carolyn Keating. The clerk will submit this to B&amp;NES.</p> <p><b>A) Insurance Claim update – no further updates</b>  <b>B) Play area repairs – in hand</b></p> <p><b>Proposed recording device for meetings –</b> a device has been purchased and will be trialled for effectiveness. Should this work, Mr Keating will be reimbursed for the sum of <b>£58.87</b>.</p>	JF	ASAP
<b>8. Planning</b>		
<p><b>Both planning applications listed below were noted.</b></p> <p>Paglinch Farm - 06/03707/FUL – Response submitted                      St Julian's Farm - Change of Use Application – 20/04116/ADCOU</p>		

<p>Decision 'refuse'</p> <p>A further planning application for An Der Ecke <b>Ref: 21/00122/CLEU</b> has recently been received, this will be considered at an extraordinary meeting on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> January.</p>	<p>All councillors</p>	<p>28<sup>th</sup> January</p>
<p><b>9. Sustainability and Climate Crisis Working Group including reviewing and assessing interest following notice in newsletter and notice boards and feedback from Climate Action Day</b></p>		
<p>Reports distributed. A notice regarding this will be in the newsletter. The working group continue to liaise and will include Angelina Lewis, our new councillor.</p> <p>The Climate Action Day was very useful with suggestions that smaller communities focus on small changes rather than grand schemes.</p>	<p>TW</p>	<p>By next newsletter</p>
<p><b>10. Community Matters</b></p>		
<p><b>A) Hamilton Terrace Car Park CiC (Community Interest Company) –</b> report distributed. Discussions took place regarding support for this with a unanimous decision to do so with clear conditions and expectations. This will be in the form of a one-off donation of <b>£200</b> towards bid costs. Proposed – Glen Harrington, seconded – Alan Keating. This will be the first donation from our newly created Community Pot (see item D for details and proposed policy document) The CiC will be informed.</p> <p><b>B) Dog Mess –</b> This will be looked into further with regard to acquisition of bins and emptying and a report prepared.</p> <p><b>C) Sites within the Housing Development Boundary of Shoscombe for which we may wish to register a 'Right to Bid' or consider registering as an 'Asset of Community Value' with B&amp;NES together with criteria –</b> report distributed. A notice was put into the newsletter following which no response has been received. Further research regarding procedure on acquisition will take place.</p> <p><b>D) Community Pot –</b> report distributed. A fund of money is being considered to be set aside as a 'Community Pot' from which community groups could apply. Certain criteria would be put in place and a policy document is being drafted that will be considered for adoption at the next meeting and then, if agreed, published on the website. Applications would be considered on their merits. A total sum of £2000 was suggested and this was agreed unanimously as a starting point and could be raised if necessary. Proposed – Alan Keating and seconded – Fiona Crockett.</p> <p><b>E) Emergency Road Closures –</b> report distributed. The disruption caused by the unexpected closure of roads was noted. All effort was made to notify residents via Facebook, notice boards and the website.</p> <p><b>F) B&amp;NES services to drains –</b> report distributed. Meetings took place with Highways and councillors were told this issue is in hand.</p> <p><b>G) Services from B&amp;NES –</b> report distributed. It was noted roads are badly in need of repair and that white lines, the re-painting of which was requested almost 3 years ago, are completely eroded in some areas. Reports have been submitted to Fix My Street and some repairs have been completed, we understand others are in hand and white lines should be completed in the Spring. Matt McCabe made the point that B&amp;NES has a serious deficit but suggested we ask Mr Neil Butters, our Ward Councillor, to meet with us and discuss these issues.</p>	<p>JF</p> <p>CK</p> <p>GH</p> <p>CK/IC/AL</p> <p>DP</p> <p>GH/CK</p>	<p>ASAP</p> <p>ASAP</p> <p>By next meeting</p> <p>By next meeting</p> <p>By next meeting</p> <p>When this can be arranged</p>

<b>11. Village Hall/Recreation Ground and Play Area Considerations</b>		
<b>A)</b> Play Area Weekly Checks – these are ongoing. A new timetable will be sent out by the clerk.	JF	ASAP
<b>B)</b> Gate locking to Village Hall car-park – discussions took place regarding the anti-social behaviour that can take place and it was decided a note in the newsletter would suggest people ring the police if they see anything untoward. A plan to co-ordinate the locking and unlocking of the gate will be devised.	DP	ASAP
<b>C)</b> Consider report from the Village Hall Management Committee regarding repairs and a request for financial support - the council acknowledged the hard work that the Committee put in, the substantial repairs that have taken place and that the Parish Council has an affiliation to the Hall. It was agreed unanimously that the Parish Council make a donation towards repair costs of <b>£1000</b> . Proposed - Danielle Parker and seconded – Alan Keating. A message of thanks will be sent to the Committee with the cheque.	JF/CK	ASAP
<b>D)</b> Expansion of the Play Area (see Item 12)		
<b>12. Councillor Reports</b>		
<b>A)</b> Village Hall bookings at the moment are limited to one person who is using it to stream an exercise class. Further repairs will be required including the cladding and it is understood a grant could be applied for. Following some research, it is estimated a complete re-vamp of the Play Area, could cost up to £50,000. Brochures are being consulted and being considered. The installation of CCTV is being seriously considered now we have WiFi and a live stream could be available. This would assist with the monitoring of behaviour in the Village Hall car -park. Adequate signage would be required.	DP/AB	Ongoing
<b>B)</b> HELAA/Local Plan – report distributed and noted.		
<b>C)</b> Public Rights of Way – report distributed. It was noted further dog fouling signs have been displayed.		
<b>D)</b> School – there is nothing further to report but the Head will be contacted with regard to a possible design competition for the improvements to the Play Area.	FC/DP	Ongoing
<b>E)</b> Highways – report distributed and noted.		
<b>F)</b> Church/Burial Board – nothing to report.		
<b>13. Clerk's Appraisal</b>		
This took place and it was noted the clerk would like to be involved with possible grants for the Play Area improvements. The council would like to record formal thanks to the clerk for her work for the council.		
<b>14. Parish Council Meetings during Covid 19</b>		
It was noted these will continue remotely for the time being.		
<b>15. Dates of the next meetings</b>		
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>3<sup>rd</sup> February - ALCA</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>11th March – Parish Council meeting</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>24<sup>th</sup> March – Parish Liaison meeting</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>13<sup>th</sup> May – Parish Council including Annual Meeting</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>25<sup>th</sup> May – ALCA</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>8<sup>th</sup> July – Parish Council meeting</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>14<sup>th</sup> July – Parish Liaison meeting</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>1<sup>st</sup> September – ALCA</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>16<sup>th</sup> September – Parish Council meeting</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>13<sup>th</sup> October – Parish Liaison meeting</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>2<sup>nd</sup> December - ALCA</b></p>		