# **Shackerstone Parish Council**

# Minutes of the Shackerstone Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November 2023 at 7.00 PM at Shackerstone Village Hall

# Present:

Cllr Ayres, Cllr Bannister, Cllr Foley, Cllr Meller, Cllr Wright. Borough Councillor Maureen Cook, 1 member of the public and the clerk.

#### 2547/2023 Resolution to receive apologies for absence

• Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Matthews and Cllr Harrison-Rushton.

#### 2548/2023 - Resolution to receive declarations of interest on items on the agenda

- Cllr Bannister and Cllr Mellor declared an interest on item 2555 as part of the Gopsall Walk goes across their land.
- All councillors declared an interest on item 2553 as council tax payers.

# 2549/2023 - To receive reports from County, Borough and Ward Councillors and Police

- A copy of Cllr Harrison-Rushton's report was circulated prior to the meeting.
- A copy of Cllr Cooks report was circulated prior to the meeting. It was noted that Severn Trent are proposing a
  road closure on the 24<sup>th</sup> January but not details have been provided. It was noted that the appeal for the cottage
  at Shackerstone has been dismissed and the building will have to be removed and the land put back to its original
  state.

#### 2550/2023 - Public Questions

Members of the public were asked to declare their name when addressing the Chairman if they wished for their name to be minuted in this section of the meeting, if they did not want their name mentioned they need not declare it.

• N/A

# 2551/2023 – Resolution to approve and sign minutes of the meetings held on the 20<sup>th</sup> September 2023

A copy of the minutes from the meeting held on the 20<sup>th</sup> September were circulated to councillors prior to the meeting. Cllr Mike proposed that the minutes be accepted as a true reflection of the meeting, this was seconded by Paul and councillors were in agreement.

Cllr Meller reported that he had spoken with the Road Safety Unit and had arranged for speed safety checks to take
place in Barton. The clerk commented that she had spoken with LCC Highways regarding a site visit to look at
traffic calming options. Councillors agreed that if we can get speed checks done in all the village and have access
to the data we can look at the flash points and discuss options.

#### 2552/2023 – Resolution to approve payments

A copy of the payment scheduled, with expenditure of £11,468.87 and income of £6,665, was circulated to councillors prior to the meeting. Cllr Wright proposed the payments, this was seconded by Cllr Bannister and councillors were in agreement.

Eden Tree Care	£738.00
Defib4life, parts	£194.40
RoSPA inspection	£222.00
Helen Chadwick	£561.60
Helen Chadwick	£3.97
Action Play & Leisure, swing set	£2,356.80
Cabin Store, bus shelter	£7,392.00

#### 2553/2023 - Resolution to approve the 2024/2025 budget and agree precept request

A copy of the draft budget was circulated to councillors prior to the meeting. Councillors discussed the budget and Cllr Wright proposed that the 2024/2025 budget be approved and that we submit a precept request of £38,500. This was seconded by Cllr Foley and all councillors were in agreement.

# 2554/2023 – To discuss the use of s106 in Barton and agree actions

Cllr Meller reported that HBBC have installed a dual bin on Green Lane in Barton and that they will empty it as part of their route. It was agreed that quotes for the purchase and installation of two bins (one on the green and the other at the bottom

of the village) would be presented at the January meeting along with costings for a bench. It was noted that we need to check whether we will need permission to install the bins/bench on the highway.

# 2555/2023 – Update regarding the Gopsall Walk project

Cllr Bannister reported that he has had a site visit with the installation contractor, and is waiting for a specific date for the production of the boards.

# 2556/2023 - Update regarding Odstone play area and agree purchase of additional items

The clerk reported that the swings had been installed, however, additional work had been required including the removal of a dead tree and a bench. It was suggested that we look to cut a couple of windows into the hedge to allow for a view. Additional equipment for the play area will be discussed at the January meeting.

# 2557/2023 – Confirmation of defibrillator checks

The clerk reported that the defibrillators had all been checked this month. It was noted that the machines have been registered with 'the circuit' which is the national database.

# 2558/2023 – Planning applications

The clerk reported that planning applications had been circulated to councillors prior to the meeting for comment. Cllr Ayres commented that residents have raised concerns regarding the access for the hall lane development (the need to create a drive) for the conversion of an agricultural building into a three bedroom house (23/01048/FUL - land off Hall Lane Odstone cou agricultural land to residential and associated works). It was noted that we need to ascertain who owns the right of way at the bottom of hall lane and that the interest of highways should be where it joins the main road. A local resident commented that there is enough false information and enough evidence that the application will not meet the planning criteria for it to be refused. Cllr Cook commented that if there are factual inaccuracies then the application can be called in to the planning committee. It was agreed that councillors would let the clerk have comments so a response could be submitted to HBBC.

# 2559/2023 - Agenda items for the January meeting

- Planning
- Mowing tenders
- Speed signs and traffic calming
- Litter bins confirmation of where we have bins
- Bin and bench installation s106
- Odstone play area
- Gopsall walk
- Defibrillators

# 2560/2023 - Date of next meeting

The clerk confirmed that the date of the next meeting is Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2024 at 7.00 PM and will take place at Congerstone village hall.

# The Chair closed the meeting at 20:00 PM.

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