

MINUTES of PARISH MEETING Thursday 5th DECEMBER 2013

SHEARSBY PARISH COUNCIL

At the VILLAGE HALL

1. **PRESENT**, Cllrs Mrs J Vann (Chair), Mr M Speight (V/C), Mr R Dahm, Mr D Durran, Mr A Timms, C Cllr G Hart, 11 members of the public. Mr P Baildon (Clerk).
2. **APOLOGIES** for absence D Cllr N Hall
3. **DECLARATIONS** of interest. None
4. **VILLAGE PLAN** Responses to the questionnaire were brought forward for the benefit of the public. Chair welcomed and introduced Cllr Dahm who summarised the concerns under the following headings;

Planning guidelines
Conservation Area definition, limits etc
Tree protection/re-planting to be NATIVE only
Benches
Mowing
Cut back hedges, particularly the Bath Lane Crossroads
Full details and analysis may be obtained from Cllr Dahm.
5. **MINUTES** of previous meeting of 5th September having been corrected, were signed by Chair.
6. **DISTRICT** councillor report. Cllr Hall asked by prior email did Shearsby residents notice any excessive music/noise from the Bath venue.
County Cllr Hart:
Bath Lane crossroads; reported spending 2 hours with Highways but there was no money left in 2013-Apr 14. 2014-15 money only likely if another scheme defers.
Conservation Areas; were highly unlikely to change as they were only reviewed about 8 years ago.
Schools catchment; as Kibworth and others were now Academy *they* set the rules/intake limits, no parental freedom of choice as before with LCC who in turn will only pay to transport to the nearest school.
Paths/stiles; at LCC used to be Harry Bartlett, now andrew.poole@leics.gov.uk
7. **FINANCE** and Precept. Chair and Clerk had attended a parishes precept meeting with HDC where it was stated that next year's figures were to be agreed at HDC on Mon 16th December and a formula issued on Tue 17th which needed to be agreed and

minuted at the next available PC Meeting and returned not later than Wed 22nd January 2014. Unlike other council finance the Precepts are NOT being capped...
... at present.

Cheques issued since last meeting 5th September

19th Sep MOW-HOW £50

19th Sep P BAILDON £468

5th Oct MOW-HOW £100

31st Oct MOW-HOW £50

4th Nov J VANN £10.98

22nd Nov MOW-HOW £50

5th Dec P BAILDON £468

5th Dec EON £55.20

Current balance at SANTANDER £8383.44

Santander continue to send paperwork to the old address, a personal visit by the Clerk to Harborough branch resulted in their request for a Minute extract with 2 signatories to make the change, these done at meeting. **Clerk to take by hand.**

AUDIT results were displayed as required...there were NO requests to inspect.

J Atkinson at LRALC to be contacted for clarification on cllr expenses.

8. HIGHWAYS and Street lighting

Sign damage reported 17 July/2 Aug "Sue" at LCC 6987242, still not done, plus

2 lots of car bumpers at Bath Lane crossroads.

Clerk to chase LCC.

1 street light reported out in Welford road, done and invoiced.

1 street light reported out in Church Lane, done, invoice awaited.

9 PLANNING decisions, pending, appeals, enforcements.

1237 KANG Tennis Court Rowley Flds Fm. PC Supported. APPROVED

1323 SPREE Tree work Cobblestones Back Lane PC supported APPROVED

1416 HARDY change of use for dog training off Fenny Lane PC objected WITHDRAWN

1380 JONES change of use to holiday lets off Bath Lane PC objected WITHDRAWN

Church Lane, works to barn & Lake View, neighbour complaints, nothing heard

Chair and Clerk attended a Planning briefing at Kibworth, outcome due from HDC.

10 TREES & MOWING

As well as the "private" areas currently being mown, the PC is to look at taking over

the "public" areas currently done by LCC.

Clerk to contact LCC for rebate sums.

11. CORRESPONDENCE

Old phone-box. De-fibrillator information pack handed to Clerk along with invoice for electrical installation for £132+VAT for which a clearer breakdown of materials and labour is required. *Clerk to contact electrician.*

12. **VILLAGE HALL & GREEN** ownership change *to be progressed by Clerk/Land Registry*

13. **COMMUNICATIONS/Website** Contact is gloria.reynolds372@gmail.com

14. **URGENT** or late items at Chair's discretion

Railings/lift at Welford Rd bungalows. Agreement from 7 Locks to check the motors, Introduce regular quarterly service with Stannah and repaint the handrails in 5-6 wks. Use/hire of Village Hall. Ideas invited from residents for prospective uses/user groups.

The meeting closed at 9.10pm

Next meeting Mon 13th January 2014. EGM to approve precept.

Next ordinary meeting Thursday 20th March preceded by AGM.