

Sheriffhales Parish Council
*Including the communities of Sheriffhales, Lilyhurst, Burlington, Heath Hill,
Weston Heath, Redhill and Chadwell*
Minutes of a the Parish Council Meeting
held in Sheriffhales Village Hall
on the 12 March 2015 at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllrs **Peter Bonsall** (Chairman); Mrs Anne Jackson; Mrs Janet Jones; Neil Pulker; Gordon Tonkinson; John Webb. Public 2

In attendance: Anne Chalkley – Clerk.

178/14 **CHAIRMAN’S WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.**

179/14 **APOLOGIES** – Cllr Maddocks (Away) **AGREED**

180/14 **DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS** – Cllr Bonsall declared his Bias in item :
15/00858/FUL and 15/00859/LBC as he has worked for the architect.

181/14 **DISPENSATION** – None

182/14 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION** – *An opportunity for the public to speak to the Council on matters that concern the Parish.*

Peter Young – explained to the members that there are 5 lots of bins, 3 on the playing field and two at the cemetery. He suggested that the dog bin at the entrance of the playing field is used only and ask for a black bin at the cemetery and to remove the other bins. He also asked the Council if they would check the trees on the field.

Peter Young – The view from the left at the top of Church Lane is fine, but obstructions from the right hand side. He asked if the Council would consider putting a mirror to help existing out of the right hand side.

Peter Young – item 193/14a, bench at Evergreens. Are the Parish Council still thinking about putting a handmade bench at the Evergreens.

Cllr Tonkinson suggested that if dogs were being a problem on the playing field as children are using it, then a notice ‘No Dogs Allowed’ should be erected

Cllr Pulker suggested that a clear signage was put up regarding dogs on the playing if a decision is taken not to allow them on the field.

200/14 **CO-OPTION**

The Chair asked the members if item 200/14 – Co-option of Dr Alan MacWhannell could be considered at this point of the agenda. It was **AGREED** to discuss this item now.

It was **PROPOSED** by Cllr Tonkinson and **SECONDED** by Cllr Pulker to co-opt Dr Alan MacWhannell onto Sheriffhales Parish Council. **ALL AGREED.** Cllr Alan MacWhannell signed the Declaration of Office and joined the members at the table.

The Chair welcomes Cllr MacWhannell to the Parish Council.

183/14 **MINUTES** – It was **RESOLVED** to approved and sign the minutes dated the 8 January and 12 February 2015.

184/14 **MATTERS ARISING** - No matters arising from the minutes.

185/14 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS** – There were no planning applications before the agenda was sent out.

186/14 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS** – *To consider any other planning applications received after the*

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issue of the agenda (to be notified at the meeting).

- a. **Reference: 14/04830/FUL** - Proposed Residential Development SW Of Village Farm, Sheriffhales, Shropshire - Erection of 2 no. dwellings; formation of vehicular access, Shropshire, TF11 8RD) – After discussion it was **AGREED** no change to the previous objections.
- b. **Reference: 15/00858/FUL** (validated: 09/03/2015)
Address: The Manor , Sheriffhales, Shropshire, TF11 8QY
Proposal: Erection of single storey garden room following demolition of existing single storey extension; replacement of flat roof over garage with tiled pitch roof
Applicant: Mr K Parkinson-Witte (The Manor, Sheriffhales, Shropshire, TF11 8QY)
Decision: No objections.
- c. **Reference: 15/00859/LBC** (validated: 09/03/2015)
Address: The Manor , Sheriffhales, Shropshire, TF11 8QY
Proposal: Erection of single storey garden room following demolition of existing single storey extension; replacement of flat roof over garage with tiled pitch roof affecting a Grade II Listed Building
Applicant: Mr K Parkinson-Witte (The Manor, Sheriffhales, Shropshire, TF11 8QY)
Decision: No objections.

187/14 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS DECISIONS –**

- a. **Reference: 13/02476/FUL** - Laburnum Farm, 68 Heath Hill, Sheriffhales - Erection of an affordable dwelling and detached garage – **Pending Decision**
- b. **Reference: 14/04830/FUL** - Proposed Residential Development SW Of Village Farm, Sheriffhales, Shropshire - Erection of 2 no. dwellings; formation of vehicular access, Shropshire, TF11 8RD) – **Pending decision.**
- c. **Reference: 15/00100/OUT** - Proposed Residential Development West Of B4379, Sheriffhales, Shropshire - Outline application for the erection of 4 no. dwellings to include means of access (resubmission) – **Refused** (Cllr Mrs Jackson read out a report on why this planning application was refused).
- d. **Reference: 15/00629/HRM** (validated: 11/02/2015)
Address: Land Off B4379 And Stump Lane, Hilton Bank, Sheriffhales, Shropshire
Proposal: Removal of 335m of hedgerow to amalgamate fields for farming purposes
Decision: **Grant Permission**
- e. **Reference: 14/04604/LBC** (validated: 12/11/2014)
Address: National Sports Centre, Lilleshall Hall, Lilleshall, Newport, Shropshire, TF10 9AT
Proposal: Works facilitate the erection of single storey extensions; alteration to existing vehicle access road; installation of pedestrian ramp; development of formal courtyard with pergola
Decision: **Grant Permission**

188/14 **FINANCE –**

- a) *Payments to be approved and signed.*

Cheque to be ratified

Cheque No	Company	Description	Net	VAT	Gross
1021	Land Registry	Playing Field	20.00	0.00	20.00

PAYMENTS - To be approved and signed at the meeting.

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Cheque No	Company	Description	Net	VAT	Gross
1022	Clerk	Salary Feb - March 2015	631.14	0.00	631.14
1023	Clerk	Expenses	264.56	0.00	264.56
1024	CPRE	Subscription	36.00	0.00	36.00
1025	Midland News Ass	Advert	74.50	14.90	89.40
1026	Neil Pulker	Keys	4.17	0.83	5.00
1027	Shropshire Council	Society Lottery Annual Fee	20.00	0.00	20.00

It was **RESOLVED** to approve and sign the following:

- b) Reconciliation for the month of January
- c) Bank Statement January
- d) Receipts and Payments

- 189/14 **LOCAL COUNCIL AWARD SCHEME** – The Clerk had circulated information regarding the new Local Council Award Scheme that has superseded the Parish Quality Status with the agenda. The Clerk will be attending the training session on the 18 March at Shirehall and will be able to give further information at the next meeting.
- 190/14 **TRANSPARENCY CODE** – The Clerk had circulated the Transparency Code with the agenda. She will be attending a training course on the 26 March and will be able to give more information at the next meeting.
- 191/14 **PARISH AND COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETINGS** – For Councillor’s information. Noted.
- 192/14 **SHERIFFHALES PLAYING FIELD** – The Clerk reported that Sheriffhales Playing Field is now the responsibility of the Parish Council. The Chair and members of the Council wanted it minuted ‘a vote of thanks to Anne Chalkley, Clerk, for all her hard work in bringing together the purchase of the playing field for the community and future generations to come’. Cllr Tonkinson asked that the access to the field is registered with the Land Registry in the name of the Parish Council. The Clerk was also asked to contact Andrea McWilliams regarding promoting the playing field. Clerk to action.
- 193/14 **VILLAGE MAINTENANCE** –
- a) Bench at Evergreens – It was **AGREED** not to take this further at the moment.
 - b) Bins in the Playing Field and Cemetery – After discussion it was **AGREED** to update the bins on the playing field and cemetery.
 - c) Maintenance Contract – The Clerk reported that she had received two enquiries and sent the maintenance specification, but had received no replies. After discussion it was **AGREED** to continue with Alan Harding.
- 194/14 **PARISH MATTERS**
- a) **Sheriffhales priorities through to 2020** - Cllr Pulker suggested that the Council identify, and establish, the priorities for the next five years. This was particularly relevant now that the playing fields had been secured. Following discussion it was agreed to determine the priorities based on the Parish Plan. Cllr John Horne would establish the current position in the plan’s development and report back at the next meeting.
 - b) **Sheriffhales, hamlets outside the village, including their broadband issues** - In determining the Council priorities, particular emphasis would be given to the hamlets within the Parish Council’s area to ensure that all the Parishioners needs were served. With regards to Broadband outside of Sheriffhales, it was agreed that the Clerk would write to Ben Walker, Connecting Shropshire, and establish who his opposite number was in Staffordshire County Council. This representative would then be contacted to identify when the other hamlets in the Parish, such as Burlington, would have their Broadband upgraded to fibre.
 - c) **Planning enforcement** - Cllr Pulker asked what the current situation was regarding the development at Burlington Pools which did not, apparently, have the appropriate permission. In the course of discussion that ensued, the Clerk was asked to write to the planning

department, not only about the Burlington Pools application, but also the erection of an office that had been placed on arable land, used by a model aircraft club/society adjacent to the A5, between Crackley bank and Red Hill

- d) **Potential development of land off Larkrise Fields, Kettlemore Lane;** it belonged to Shropshire Council – Cllr Tonkinson reported that this land belongs to Shropshire Council and why is it not being used to build low cost houses on an area criteria basis for people in the parish? Why is Shropshire Council still sitting on the land and not developing this for the local people? The Clerk was asked to contact Richard Fortune at Shropshire Council Planning with these questions.

195/14 **PARISH COUNCIL FUNDRAISING** – It was **AGREED** to add this to the Annual Parish Council agenda in April.

196/14 **POST OFFICE/SHOP PROVISION FOR SHERIFFHALES** – None.

197/14 **VILLAGE TRAFFIC CONCERNS/ROADWORKS** –

- 1) Cllr Webb would like to know why the work on the Burlington Lane/A5 junction programmed for March has yet to be started. Clerk to contact Highways.
- 2) Cllr Tonkinson reported that hedges on the A41 and within the parish are spreading over into the road and need cutting back. Clerk to action

198/14 **REPORT FROM MOST RECENT SCHOOL GOVERNORS MEETING** – Cllr Tonkinson reported that he attended a meeting yesterday and the school has 80 pupils. Funding has increased per pupil. He visited the school and had a very enjoyable day. Cllr Webb was concerned that with the affordable housing over the next 5 years there could be a further 20-30 pupils waiting to attend the school. Cllr Tonkinson explained that as soon as the school was full and reached its recommended numbers, places will be restricted to children from the parish first.

Pothole in the School Car Park – The Clerk reported that although the pothole had been repaired, she had asked for a re-inspection as there had been complaints that the work was not to the recommended standard.

Potholes – It was reported that there were potholes on both sides of Church Lane. Chadwell Lane also has many potholes that need repair.

199/14 **DELEGATES REPORTS** – None at the moment.

200/14 **CO-OPTION** – Discussed above.

201/14 **CORRESPONDANCE RECEIVED SINCE LAST MEETING** –

- a) Letter from Crucial Crew (to sponsor 11 children @ £7 per child = £77.00 total) . After discussion it was **PROPOSED** by Cllr Pulker and **SECONDED** by Cllr MacWhannell to sponsor these 11 children. **ALL AGREED.** After further discussion it was **AGREED** the Clerk contact Crucial Crew with an invitation to come to one of the Parish Council's meetings to give a short presentation on 'how does it benefit the children'.

202/14 **CORRESPONDENCE – e-mailed to Councillors since last meeting – Noted.**

- a) Alert
- b) SALC Bulletins and Legal Topic Notes
- c) SALC Town and Parish Council: Neighbourhood Fund - April 2015
- d) Rural Network Services Weekly Email News Digest - Monday, 2 March, 2015
- e) Activities at the Moat & Gardens

203/14 **URGENT ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA** – Due to the resignation of Peter Young, the Parish Council needs to nominate another representative. Cllr MacWhannell volunteered. **ALL AGREED**

It was **AGREED** the Annual Parish Meeting should start at 7.30pm, not 7pm.

204/14 **Next Meeting:** 9 April 2015 Annual Parish Meeting at 7.30pm.

Meeting Closed at 9.30pm

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