Sheriffhales Parish Council

Including the communities of Sheriffhales, Lilyhurst, Burlington, Heath Hill, Weston Heath, Redhill and Chadwell

Minutes of an Extraordinary Parish Council Meeting held in Sheriffhales Village Hall on Monday 30th November 2015 at 8.00pm.

Present: Cllrs: Peter Bonsall (Chair); John Horne; Janet Jones; Alan MacWhannell;

Richard Maddocks; Neil Pulker; Gordon Tonkinson and John Webb.

In Carol Binnington - Clerk.

attendance: Cllr Kevin Turley - Shropshire Council

97/15 Chairman's Welcome and Announcements

The Chairman welcomed all present.

98/15 Apologies

Cllr Anne Jackson (unwell).

It was <u>AGREED</u> to accept the reasons for absence from Cllr Anne Jackson for a six month period.

99/15 **Disclosable Pecuniary Interests**

None.

100/15 **Dispensations**

None.

101/15 **Public Participation Session**

Cllr Kevin Turley requested information about the road safety consultation and the deadline for when a response to Alice Dilly at Shropshire Council is required by.

The Clerk read out an email from Alice Dilly outlining that the funding has already been allocated for the work to be carried out, but the earlier a decision is made, the sooner the contractors can programme the work within the next financial year. The Public Consultation will take place at Sheriffhales Village Hall on Saturday 12th December between 10am – 12noon. The findings will be brought back to the January 2016 Council Meeting for recommendation.

The Clerk was requested to email all Councillors a PDF of the options available including a 4th option put together by Councillor Turley following a meeting with residents and to formally write to Lilleshall Primary School and the NFU for any input to the consultation.

The Clerk to contact Alice Dilly to ask that if the work is scheduled for April/May 2016, will postponing a decision until the January meeting delay the work starting.

102/15 Registered Office Address

Councillor Bonsall gave an update on interim arrangements for Parish Council correspondence until the new Clerk was in place and the benefits of having a PO Box for correspondence.

It was agreed that the Clerk should set up a Post Office Box number as the Registered Office Address for Sheriffhales Parish Council at a cost of £260+vat and that mail will be delivered to the Clerks home address..

103/15 Solar Farm - Deed of Benefit

The Councillors discussed the Deed of Benefit and agreed a strategy to respond positively to the offer for the Deed of Benefit between Sheriffhales Parish Council and Lightsource SPV 39 Limited regarding the Solar Farm at Attwell Park Farm, Sheriffhales.

Proposed by Councillor MacWhannell, Seconded by Councillor Tonkinson **RESOLVED** that the Committee agreed for the Clerk to contact PCB Solicitors, Shrewsbury to obtain legal advice up to a cost of £300 to clarify the following points:-

- There are no hidden clauses
- Is there are personal outcome to councillors
- · Any items fundamentally missing from deed
- A clear understanding of amount paid per tranche
- · Any other potential clauses to be added

Proposed by Councillor Horne, Seconded by Councillor Webb **RESOLVED** that the Committee tasked the Chairman and Clerk to sign the Deed of Benefit if no concerns are raised by the Solicitor.

Councillor Tonkinson raised concerns regarding the s106 agreement. The Chairman met with Lightsource last week and reported that funding from the second phase will be via a community interest company which was set up in June 2015, where all parties will be eligible to pitch for the money.

Meeting closed: 9:10pm