SHAP PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting Monday 4th April 2016 at 7.30 pm Venue: Market Cross

Attendance:

Chairman: Mrs J Jackson

Councillors: Mr A Bindloss, Mr D Mallinson, Mr A Sowerby, Mr N. Lindwall, Mr C.

Mather&Mr W. Jones.

County Councillor: Cllr NHughes.

District Councillor: Cllr J. Owen

Police None

Clerk Mrs J. Scott-Smith

Public: Two

1/04/16 Public Participation.

- 1.1 Mrs Woof spoke about her compliant made to the Parish Council regarding problems with balls kicked over the fence form the MuGA hitting her windows, and cracking the guttering.
- 1.2 When retrieving balls the youths enter her garden and leaving the gate open that could allow a small child to get onto the road.
- 1.3 In the period between 22nd and 30th March there had been eight instances.
- 1.4 Mrs Woof had enquired about raising the height of the fencing, but this is at the maximum allowed.
- 1.5 Cllr Owen said that some Rugby Clubs installed netting to prevent high kicked balls entering neighbouring properties.
- 1.6 Mrs Woof had done some research into possible types of netting.
- 1.7 Council will go back to some of the suppliers used during the installation to get advice and pricing.
- 1.8 Meanwhile Council will speak to organised groups asking them to take care, and approach casual users.
- 2/04/16 Apologies for absence Mrs J. Morris.
- 3/04/16 The Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of 7thMarch2016were signed as a true and accurate record.

4/04/16 Requests for dispensation – None

5/04/16 Declarations of interest– None.

6/04/16 Finance

- 6.1 Council RESOLVED to approve the statement of accounts to 31st March Proposed: *Cllr. Sowerby* seconded *Cllr Lindwall*.
- 6.2 Payments received
 Transfer of funds from N S & I

Total £4,000.00
6.3 Payments between meetings

Shap Preschool Playgroup grant £400.00
Shap Memorial Hall grant £1,000.00
Shap Swimming Pool grant £500.00
Shap Village website – annual fee £500.00

6.4 Council RESOLVED to authorise payment of the following accounts:

Clerk's Salary March 2016 £276.21
Clerk expenses March £21.79
Wages - cleaning recycling centre March £84.26

£4.000.00

£2,400.00

Total

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Wages – street cleaner March		£168.00
HMRC Quarter 4 payment		£176.40
C Ferguson, Computer Doctor		£20.00
British GasElectricity – MuGA Dec-March		£121.53
Hampshire Flag Company Union flag		£77.93
	Total	£946.12

Proposed Cllr Bindloss, seconded Cllr Mallinson.

6.5 Cllr Jones enquired about the 4% rise in Council Tax, and the Clerk explained how the precept had been affected by the reduction in Council Tax Reduction Scheme grant.

6.6 The Clerk will calculate the percentage difference when the precept is discussed in the autumn.

7/04/16 Planning.

7.1 **CCC Planning Consultation** – Shap Beck Quarry, erection of covered bays, concrete ramp and conveyor. No comments of objections were raised.

8/04/16 Eden District Council

- The Chairman advised that concerns over thewording in the interim report onLocal Delivery of Services regarding Shap had been raised with the committee.
- 8.2 Cllr Owen said that the groups will carry on; he realised that having the costs for running the toilets was important, and he will keep Council informed.
- A letter had been received from EDC regarding the possible merge with Thrimby Parish, and this is longer an issue.

9/04/16 Phone Boxes, defibrillator

9.1 The Chairman reported that some contact had been made, and details for the defibrillator at the Fire Station has been published in Shap Today.

10/04/16 Flooding

- The Chair remarked that it was encouraging to see that the problems at Shap were being dealt with relatively quickly considering the extent of the damage done in the wider area by the floods.
- 10.2 CCTV investigation of the drains was 50-60% complete.
- A Flood Forum will be held in the Memorial hall on Wednesday 27th April at 7.30p.m.

11/04/16 Forcebeck

- 11.1 The Chairman explained that a letter had been sent to Friends of Forcebeck outlining the situation, and advising and the way to progress.
- 11.2 Cllr Sowerby reported that the water rail under the railway was missing.
- 11.3 Cllr Sowerby reported on work carried out on the picnic area and said the area will have the moss removed and it will be re-seeded.
- 11.4 Cllr Sowerby had reported discoloured water at Forcebeck, the clerk had emailed Tata and they had asked what colour the water was; it was whitish, but had now dissipated.

12/04/16 Highways

- 12.1 The Clerk reported on issues raised at the last meeting and responses received.
- 12.2 Rosgill Bridge was reported, as assessed by Highways.
- 12.3 Council were advised by Cllr Hughes that anyone can report highways issues direct by emailing betterhighwayseden@cumbria.gov.uk or by ringing the Highways Hotline 0845 609 6609.
- 12.4 Cllr Hughes reported that drainage was coming in-house (EDC)not CCCand will no longer be dealt with by contractors.

13/04/16 MuGA

- The clerk had obtained prices for the shelter and bench, but it was decided to shelve this matter until the fencing issue is resolved.
- 13.2 Cllr Owen said that he would make some visits to the MUGA to speak to users.

14/04/16 NALC Financial Regulations

- 14.1 A model set of financial regulations had been received, and this had been emailed to most Councillors for scrutiny.
- 14.2 Councillors approved in the majority to adopt the format and a copy would be available at the next meeting.

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15/04/16 Hanging Baskets

15.1 The Chairman asked approval for ordering hanging baskets. *Purpose Cllr Mallinson, seconded Cllr Sowerby, all in agreement.*

16/04/16 Parish Plan

- 16.1 The Chairman said that it was time for this to be updated.
- 16.2 Cllr Mather had offered to work on this.

17/04/16 Annual Parish Meeting Tues 26th April.

- 17.1 The Chairman advised members that the meeting will be held in the main room at the Memorial Hall.
- 17.2 The topic of flooding will be on the Agenda, and it hoped that Cllr Morris will present the report.
- 17.3 The other topic, The Old Courthouse, will also be reported on.
- 17.4 Anyone with further enquiries about Flooding will be able to attend the Flood Forum the following evening.

18/04/16 Correspondence

- Letter regarding celebratory bonfires for HM Queen's 90th birthday, the deadline for registering had passed.
- The Chairman reported that school were having a big partyin June, and the church holding a concert by way of marking the event.

19/04/16 Matters for report

- 19.1 Cllr Hughes reported about a Kendal group making a £1,000 grant towards the 106 bus so that it can operate fully during the school holidays.
- 19.2 Cllr Lindwall reported that a sign had been erected on the Concrete road advising that it would be closed for two weeks to allow removal of the Baily bridges; this to commence on 11th April.
- 19.3 He had contacted Mr Phillips of United Utilities who was unaware of the planned closures between Shap and Rosgill Head.
- 19.4 Cllr Lindwall has asked if the removal of the bridges could be delayed to allow for an alternative route during the closures; but this did not look very hopeful.
- 19.5 Cllr Lindwall reported that he has still not ascertained the ownership of the former sausage factory site.
- 19.6 Cllr Mather reported a loose manhole outside his house, and Cllr Owen reported one outside Springside. Clerk to report.
- 19.7 The pot hole outside the Newsagents has still not been repaired and the sunken section of road between the car park and memorial park gates has become much worse and is a real hazard, this will be reported again as urgent.

20/04/16 Date of APM: Tuesday 26th April.

21/04/16 Date of next meeting.AGM and Ordinary meeting Monday 2ndMay

22/04/16 Quarry Liaison meeting Tuesday. 3rdMay at 10.30a.m.

The meeting closed at 9.30 pm.