

SHAP PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the ORDINARY MEETING
Monday 3rd February 2014 meeting commenced at 7.30p.m
Venue: Market Cross

Attendance:

Chairman:	Mrs J Jackson
Councillors:	Mrs C. A Bindloss, Mr A. Bindloss, Mr W Warburg, Mr E. Hodgson, Mr W. Jones, Mr D. Mallinson, Mr D. Newsome, Mr A Sowerby.
County and District Councillor:	Mr N Hughes
Police	None
Clerk	Mrs J. Scott-Smith
Public:	None

190/02/14 The Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of 6th January 2014 were signed as a true and accurate record.

191/02/14 Apologies for absence: None received

192/02/14 Requests for dispensation – None

193/02/14 Declarations of interest – None

194/02/14 Finance

194.1 Council RESOLVED to approve the statement of accounts to 31st January. *Proposed Cllr. Sowerby, seconded Cllr. Hodgson.*

194.2	Payments received	
	MuGA rents	£192.00
	Wayleave	£8.84
	HMRC VAT reclaim	£401.18
	N S & I Transfer of funds to current account	£5,000.00
	Total	£5,602.02

194.3	Payments between meetings	
	HMRC Quarter 3 payment	£60.60
	BT Telephone bill	£93.43
	Total	£154.03

194.4	Council RESOLVED to authorise payment of the following accounts:	
	Clerk's Salary January 2014	£270.27
	Clerk expenses for January	£56.90
	Wages Cleaning recycling centre	£77.55
	Alan Milne –grasscutting 2013	£3,000.00
	Cumberland & Westmorland Herald –advertising	£48.00
	Total	£3,452.72

Payments were approved *Proposed Cllr Hodgson, seconded: Cllr. Mrs Bindloss.*

195/02/14 Planning applications

195.1 **Planning Application 13/0959** – Proposed extensions and alterations to existing dwelling Wreay Villa Cottage, Shap for Mr & Mrs R Poulson. Council raised no objections or comments.

195.2 **Planning Application 14/0046** – Erection of dwelling (RE-SUBMISSION) Land next to The Forge, Jackson's Lane, Shap for Mrs A Esterhuizen-Priestley.

195.3 Council voiced several concerns about the latter application and RESOLVED to arrange a site visit and then submit objections and comments to the planning department.

196/02/14 Precept 2014-15

196.1 The Clerk advised Council that she had submitted a sum of £18,588.00. To this will be added £1,162 from the Council Tax Reduction Scheme, giving a full total of £19,750 compared with £19,895 last year.

196.2 The Secretary of State was not due to announce the 'capping principles' until 17th February, but this is unlikely to apply to Parish Councils.

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197/02/14 Highways

197.1 The Clerk reported on issues raised last month and more recently.

198/02/14 Bowling Club

198.1 A letter had been received from the Bowling Club requesting use and enclosure of an additional area of ground between the bower and the football pitch, a plan was enclosed.

198.2 Council decided that they wished to investigate this matter further.

198.3 The matter will appear on the March Agenda.

199/02/14 MuGA

199.1 The Chairman reported that she and Cllr Mrs Bindloss had visited school for a meeting with the head teacher, and this had been constructive.

199.2 The Chairman recommended that the Parish Council accept that any usage by school last term be ignored. In future the school will log their usage and pay retrospectively.

199.3 The possible use of the MuGA for lacrosse after school would be booked separately by the tutor.

199.4 Cllr Warburg reported that there had been an issue on Monday evenings when the youth normally have the court, but have recently found another group using it when they arrived.

199.5 It appears that this group are some of the same people who book the court of Wednesday evening who are arriving on the chance that the court was vacant on Monday evening.

199.6 The Council were asked to book the court for Monday evenings free of charge for the youth to keep it free.

199.7 There had been problems reported about vehicles belonging to MuGA users being parked all around the junction onto Croft Avenue. This needs to be discussed with anyone booking the facility.

199.8 A Management committee needs to be set up to manage all facilities on the Memorial Park, this to be made up of representatives of the user groups.

199.9 Councillors willing to be part of this were: Cllrs Jackson, Warburg, Hodgson, Mallinson, Mr Bindloss, Sowerby and Jones.

199.10 A meeting for this group will be held on Monday 17th March at 7.30p.m.

199.11 A meeting will be held on Tuesday 11th February at 7.30p.m. to review the MuGA operation since it opened and make any changes. Those to be invited to attend: Cllrs Jackson, Warburg, Mallinson, Sowerby Mr Bindloss, plus Mrs Warburg, Mr Newton (SFC) and Mr Horrocks (SCC).

200/02/14 Northern Gas Networks

200.1 An email had been received to advise that work on installing the gas governor would start in week commencing 10th February.

201/02/14 Community buildings

201.1 The Chairman reported that matters had moved on quite considerably since the last meeting and an architect has been appointed to draw up plans.

202/02/14 Grasscutting

202.1 The Clerk reported that an advertisement had been placed in the Herald and that to date two enquiries had been received.

202.2 The closing date for submission is 28th February.

203/02/14 Quarries

203.1 The Clerk reported on the meeting held earlier that day.

204/02/14 Concrete Road

204.1 The Chairman reported on the meeting held at Bampton, where there had been good representation from the communities and representatives of United Utilities and Cumbria County Council had been in attendance.

204.2 CCC Cllr Hughes reported on a meeting held on 31st January that had been attended by a lot of Burnbanks residents.

204.3 More boulders had been placed across the road and it would now not be possible to get a quad bike through.

204.4 United Utilities plan to carry out some work on the road in April, and they will consult with local communities about road to be used for works at Swindale.

204.5 United Utilities do not intend to barricade the road once repairs are complete.

204.6 They have re-iterated that there would be no come-back for anyone having an accident whilst using the concrete road.

204.7 No further formal meetings are planned.

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204.8 Highways have been requested to erect signs on the Keld Road to warn users of 'narrow road with many bends' or similar wording.

205/02/14 Footway Lighting

- 205.1 Cllr Hughes gave an update on the current situation.
- 205.2 Councillors are still trying to come to a compromise.
- 205.3 The meeting scheduled for 20th February is vital.
- 205.4 It is possible that Shap would lose half its lights leaving just 37 out of 77.

206/02/14 Public Transport

- 206.1 Cllr Hughes reported that the cut to subsidies will go through, however there is £1 million to help keep some services running whilst solutions are worked out.
- 206.2 It is almost certain that the number of services will reduce and the fares rise.

207/02/14 Correspondence

- 207.1 Glasdon catalogue. This included some notice boards, and the Clerk had enquired about the prices.
- 207.2 A notice board is needed for the MUGA and there is some money available for the purchase of one.
- 207.3 The Clerk was asked to enquire about the strips that were shown on one image.
- 207.4 Council RESOLVED that one be purchased *Proposed Cllr Sowerby, seconded Cllr Jones*, all agreed.
- 207.5 Aon – update on insurance cover – this is not due for renewal until 1st June.

208/02/14 Matters for report

- 208.1 Cllr Warburg said that Council should consider the purchase of a new computer for the Parish Council as the programmes on the current one are becoming outdated.
- 208.2 Cllr Hodgson reported that PCSO Gemma Threlkeld had indicated that she would be willing to speak to Council about Farm Watch.
- 208.3 It was felt that this might be a suitable topic for the Annual Parish Meeting and that she be invited.
- 208.4 Cllr Bindloss enquired whether the gate at the top of the land near Wasdale housing had been repaired yet. The Clerk will check and contact Eden Housing if they had not been repaired.

209/02/14 Date of next meeting The next meeting of Council will be on Monday **3rd March 2014** at 7:30p.m.

The meeting closed at 9.30pm.