

SHAP PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the ORDINARY MEETING
Monday 6th January 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 S. Newburn, Mr D. Newsome, Mr A Sowerby.
County and District Councillor:	Mr N Hughes
Police	None
Clerk	Mrs J. Scott-Smith
Public:	None

174/01/14 The Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of 2nd December 2013 were signed as a true and accurate record.

175/01/14 Apologies for absence

176/01/14 Requests for dispensation – Cllr Hodgson - Item 6

177/01/14 Declarations of interest – Cllr Hodgson – Item 6, Cllr Mallinson - Item 5.5.

178/01/14 Finance

178.1 Council RESOLVED to approve the statement of accounts to 31st December. *Proposed Cllr. Sowerby, seconded Cllr. Newsome.*

178.2	Payments received	
	MuGA rents	£220.00
	Shap Football Club rent	£40.00
	Total	£260.00

178.3	Payments between meetings	
	D Corrie – memorial tree	£20.00
	Total	£20.00

178.4	Council RESOLVED to authorise payment of the following accounts:	
	Clerk's Salary December 2013	£270.27
	Wages Cleaning recycling centre	£77.55
	Eden Garden Services – Street Cleaning Nov.	£120.00
	Eden Garden Services - gardening	£72.00
	Eon Electricity – MuGA Sept - Dec	£204.98
	G Mallinson Ltd – work on MuGA	£2,204.94
	Total	£2,949.74

Payments were approved *Proposed Cllr. Newsome, seconded: Cllr. Mr Bindloss.*

179/01/14 Planning applications

179.1 **Planning Application 13/0945** – Erection of steel portal framed general purpose agricultural shed – Green Farm, Shap for Mr D. Hodgson – notice dated 13th December received 20th December; an extension had been granted to the Parish Council by planning department to allow for discussion.

179.2 Cllr Hodgson left the meeting whilst discussion on the application took place.

179.3 Council had no objections or comments.

180/01/14 Budget/precept

180.1 Up to date sheets were distributed.

180.2 Cllr Warburg explained the figures.

180.3 Final decision on amount for precept for submission to EDC was not decided as further figures were awaited from them.

180.4 Cllr Warburg proposed that subject to figures from EDC, an amount for Sports facilities be added to the budget so that the precept amount is kept the same as for last year. This was seconded by Cllr Newburn and all approved.

Signed: *Jean Jackson* (as a true record). Date 3rd February 2014

181/01/14 Highways

- 181.1 The Clerk reported on issues raised last month and earlier that day.
 181.2 The Clerk gave a brief report on the visit to Skirsgill depot.

182/01/14 Concrete Road

- 182.1 Letter received from United Utilities giving notice of closure of the section between Keld Bridge and Kemp How.
 182.2 Response to letter sent by SPC.
 182.3 The Chairman reported that there had been many objections and concerns, and that the blockage had been removed by person or persons unknown.
 182.4 The Chairman and Vice Chairman had met with Mr Banks and Mr Spence from CCC Highways at Rosgill to discuss possible improvements to the route from Rosgill Bridge to the Swindale road.
 182.5 It is hoped that the concrete road between Burnbanks and Swindale will be kept open so that there will be a way out for residents at times of flooding.
 182.6 County would not adopt the road if it was not up to standard.
 182.7 A public meeting is planned at Bampton Memorial hall on Friday 10th January 7.30p.m.

183/01/14 MuGA

- 183.1 The facility is now being used regularly and rents coming in.
 183.2 There have been some complaints about balls hitting the window of a property opposite the court.
 183.3 The issue of the school using the facility was discussed.
 183.4 Cllr Mrs Bindloss said that she had thought that the facility would be free for use by children of school age.
 183.5 Cllr Warburg said that the CDC was paying as were all other organised groups, therefore the school should also contribute.
 183.6 The Chairman felt that the matter had not been discussed and there was some misunderstanding on both parties.
 183.7 The requirements of the school will need to be assessed.
 183.8 The Chairman does not wish for the relationship between school and the Parish Council to suffer and she will arrange a meeting with the Head teacher and Cllr Mrs Bindloss will also attend.
 183.9 A sheet showing all income and expenditure was distributed.
 183.10 There had been some complaints about the surface being slippery in frosty weather. Users will be advised that they should use their discretion in such weather, and that no charge would be made for any bookings that were cancelled due to weather.

184/01/14 Community buildings

- 184.1 The Chairman reported that some of the group had travelled to Carlisle to meet with representatives of Cumbria County Council.
 184.2 This had been very illuminating.
 184.3 There is still a great deal of work to be done.
 184.4 There is no guarantee that the money from the sale of the Sports Hall; site would be allocated to Shap, however some funding would probably be found for the project.
 184.5 Everyone had been impressed with Janet Wood's presentation.
 184.6 A good business plan is needed. A grant has been applied for to meet the cost of producing a plan.
 184.7 It is too early to know the likely outcome.

185/01/14 Northern Gas Networks

- 185.1 Work has not been started yet,
 185.2 NGN are installing a small gas governor near the Fire Station.
 185.3 The clerk had emailed NGN to ask about these issues and they had replied saying that they would check these out and respond again.

186/01/14 Annual Parish Meeting

- 186.1 The Clerk explained that the date on the meetings list would not be possible as a regular user has the Green Room booked for that night.
 186.2 A new date was selected – this will now be held on Tuesday 29th April.

187/01/14 Correspondence

- 187.1 Cumbria Community Foundation with leaflets on Winter Warmth Fund, Big Sleep and Jennings Rivers Ride.
 187.2 Eden District Council – Review of Special Expenses – copy of report
 187.3 Letter from S. Green re Forcebeck hen cree accepting terms for renting.
 187.4 Response from P Stott re: Japanese Knotweeds saying that a spraying programme would commence in the spring and the Parish Council will be advised.

187.5 Highway services – re: postponement of resurfacing works M6 junction 39.

188/01/14 Matters for report

- 188.1 Cllr Jones asked about the response to planned cuts by CCC for bus subsidies. The clerk had already responded on line but would complete a hard copy too. The clerk had also been involved with an article in the Cumberland News about the bus subsidies, putting some regular users in touch with the newspaper.
- 188.2 Cllr Sowerby reported that there was a problem with flooding outside the toilets.
- 188.3 Cllr Hughes reported that the issue of footway lighting has still not been resolved. There was a meeting scheduled for Tuesday 7th January in Penrith.
- 188.4 The scrutiny review had been rejected, but some points had been picked out.
- 188.5 EDC will cease to maintain 862 lights; these will not be dismantled, but will not be replaced when they fail.
- 188.6 At least 1,000 lights will go; each parish will be allocated approximately 7 lights pro rata. Shap may do a little better (per Ward).
- 188.7 The final decision could be a disaster.
- 188.8 Cllr Hughes also reported that the County Council are well aware of the problem for rural areas if they lose bus services.
- 188.9 Cllr Hodgson reported that following resurfacing at the south end of the village, water is running off onto fields and there is a danger of crops stacked in them being damaged.
- 188.10 Cllr Mallinson reported a problem with flooding in Keld.
- 188.11 The Chairman advised that a Tourism meeting would be held on Monday 13th January at 7.30p.m.

189/01/14 Date of next meeting The next meeting of Council will be on Monday 3rd February 2014 at 7:30p.m.

The meeting closed at 10.00pm.