

SHAP PARISH COUNCIL

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

Attendance:

Chairman:	Mrs J Jackson
Councillors:	Mr D Mallinson, Mr A Sowerby Mr W. Jones, Mr N. Lindwall, Mrs J. Morris Mr C. Mather & Mr A Bindloss,
County Councillor:	None
Eden District Councillor:	None
Police	None
Clerk	Mrs J. Scott-Smith
Public:	One

174/01/16 Public Participation. None

175/01/16 Apologies for absence received from Cllr Hughes and Cllr Owen

176/01/16 The Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of 7th December were signed as a true and accurate record.

177/01/16 Requests for dispensation – None

178/01/16 Declarations of interest– None

179/01/16 Finance

179.1 Council RESOLVED to approve the statement of accounts to 31st December Proposed:
Cllr. Sowerby, seconded Cllr. Bindloss.

179.2	Payments received	
	MuGA rent	£50.00
	Northwest Electricity – wayleave	£9.47
		Total £59.47

179.3	Payments between meetings	
	Donation to Great North Air Ambulance	£50.00
		Total £50.00

179.4	Council RESOLVED to authorise payment of the following accounts:	
	Clerk's Salary December 2015	£276.21
	Clerks expenses for December	£5.40
	Wages - cleaning recycling centre December	£78.44
	Wages – street cleaner December	£168.00
	EON - MuGA electricity to 1st Sept	£16.59
	British Gas -MuGA electricity	£112.78
		Total £657.42

Proposed Cllr Mather, seconded Cllr Bindloss.

179.5 Clerk advised of sum due to HMRC for deductions for the third quarter, this was £192.00 and will show as a payment between meeting on the next agenda.

179.6 Clerk explained that she had received no further information on the Council Tax base rate or the Council Tax Reduction Scheme grant. Neither had she received the application form.

180/01/16 Planning.

180.1 No planning applications or decisions had been received this month.

181/01/16 Swimming Pool

- 181.1 Cllr Morris said that the committee were finalising the application and this should be submitted in the next week. A decision is expected in April.
- 181.2 A meeting with representatives of the Swimming Pool committee had been held on 14th December, and a letter of support had been sent from the Parish Council.
- 181.3 A survey had been carried out and the walls were deemed to be alright for the present.

182/01/16 Eden District Council

- 182.1 The Clerk advised that an email had been sent suggesting a meeting on Monday 11th January at 6.30p.m. No response had been received prior to the meeting, but an email had arrived after the meeting closed, and the Clerk advised all councillors of the arrangements.

183/01/16 106 Bus partnership

- 183.1 The Chairman reported that an article had appeared in the Cumberland and Westmorland Herald, and there was a hope that the service would be extended to five days each week.
- 183.2 A grant will be required again from the Parish Council, and the budget has allowed for this.

184/01/16 Flooding

- 184.1 Questionnaires had been delivered to affected properties, and a large number had been returned. A statement had been prepared for EDC giving post code locations where the properties were.
- 184.2 The Clerk will collate the responses to give an overview.
- 184.3 The Clerk was asked to write to Rory Stewart MP asking to be included in local meeting that he plans.
- 184.4 A multi-agency meeting was being held the following day in Penrith; Cllr Morris will attend on behalf of Shap Parish Council.
- 184.5 Cllrs Sowerby and Lindwall had been around the village assessing the drains and where water was a problem.
- 184.6 Cllr Lindwall said that it might be useful to get information from older members of the community about where old drains etc. were located. This might help when assessing the situation.
- 184.7 It was suggested that Highways be asked to check all drains in October each year, and also ask them to check that the main drain does not have any collapsed sections. The latter should be raised immediately.
- 184.8 A list of symptoms should be compiled and then list them in the order they should be addressed.
- 184.9 Mrs Borrino reported the issues experienced on Carl Lofts, she had contacted Cllr Hughes, and she asked if communities affected should have a hydrology report. She had had a problem getting sandbags, and suggested that perhaps a supply could be held somewhere central such as the Fire Station.
- 184.10 The Chairman said that she was of the opinion that the road level had been raised over the years, so that surface water ran off into properties.

185/01/16 Highways

- 185.1 The Clerk reported that she had requested the clearing of all drains through the village following the flooding.

186/01/16 Telephone boxes

- 186.1 It had been established that the phone box near Fell House did not have a telephone in it, so it may be a possible location for a defibrillator.
- 186.2 Cllr Mallinson said that a lady in the village who is a paramedic had offered to run a course on using a defibrillator, and basic first aid.
- 186.3 A notice will be put in Shap Today asking for anyone interested to contact the clerk.

187/01/16 MuGA

- 187.1 Cllr Mallinson had been approached by Mr Leckie about holding a tournament to raise funds for a shelter.
- 187.2 The Clerk had more information by email. The tournament will be for under 8s, and will be held in January on a Sunday. Council approved.
- 187.3 The Clerk had researched possible shelters, and one modern design was reasonably priced. She will email an image to Mr Leckie to see if it would be suitable.
- 187.4 The Chairman asked the Clerk to enquire if Mr Leckie wanted prizes.

188/01/16 Footway lighting

- 188.1 The Clerk reported some lights that were not working on Pow Lane, Moss Grove and Station Road.

189/01/16 Correspondence

- 189.1 RSPB working at Haweswater – newsletter and notice of meeting at Bampton on 25th February.
- 189.2 Great North Air Ambulance, acknowledgement of donation.

- 189.3 Letter from Paul Foote re. Code of Conduct
- 189.4 Eden Local Plan – letter advising of submission to Government.

190/01/16 Matters for report

- 190.1 Cllr Jones reported that the lights on Woodville Terrace and Carlton Terrace were now working.
- 190.2 Cllr Lindwall reported no further news on the ownership of the sausage factory site.
- 190.3 Cllr Lindwall reported on trucks in laybys. He had spoken to someone from the Highways Agency, who confirmed that more drivers were using the M6 where there was insufficient official parking places, so that all the laybys were full to capacity; however some were acting inappropriately, leaving litter and body waste. Mr Lindwall is a driver himself, and said that there were more parking places off the A1. He did however state that he did not know what could be done.
- 190.4 Cllr Sowerby reported that the layby at the top of the Raikes was alsobad with litter left by drivers.
- 190.5 Cllr Sowerby reported potholes at the Fire Station.
- 190.6 Cllr Bindloss said that when snow fell on 12th December, the gritters were late in coming through, and the surfaces were very treacherous. They had not gritted the M6 either as there had been a bad accident. This was a Saturday, as was the day when the first snowfell in November, and againthe gritters did not come thorough until much later.
- 190.7 Cllr Morris reported that school warning lights were not working, the Clerk will alert Highways along with detail of the Belisha beacon on the crossing that is not lit.
- 190.8 Cllr Mallinson reported that the swings had still not been rehung in the play area.

191/01/16 Date of next meeting: Monday 1st February 2016.

The meeting closed at 9p.m.