

# SHARNFORD PARISH COUNCIL

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## PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

**Minutes of a Meeting of Sharnford Parish Council held at 7.45pm on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2019 in the Evergreen Hall.**

**Present:** Mr J Feast (Chairman)  
Mrs S Stanley, Mr M Dalton-Brown, Mr G Peryer, Mr M Shirley

**Also, Present:** Cllr S Scott (Blaby District Council), Members of Public x 5

**Absent:** None

### 19/042 Apologies for Absence

Cllr Wright (Leicestershire County Council), Cllr Hewson (Blaby District Council)

### 19/043 Declarations of Interest Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary

None declared

### 19/044 Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 21<sup>st</sup> February 2019

***Resolved that, the minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 21<sup>st</sup> February 2019, a copy of which had been circulated to each member, is a true record of the proceedings.***

### 19/045 Public Participation

A question was raised on responsibility of footpath adjacent to Soars Brook from Bumble Bee Gardens to Cricket Ground due to its deteriorating condition. **(Action: Cllr Shirley)**

A further comment made on pollution in Soars Brook. Further investigation required. **(Action: Cllr Shirley)**

### 19/046 Chairman's Announcement

Announcement on the appointment of the new Parish Clerk: Ten applications were received for the position of Parish Clerk. A shortlist of four were interviewed and I am pleased to say that, after a majority vote, Tracey Avis has been appointed. Start date 1<sup>st</sup> April 2019.

Announcement of disqualification of a Parish Councillor. Laura Brindley: Section 85(1) of the Local Government Act 1972 provides that any Member failing to attend a meeting of the authority for a period of six consecutive months without approval from the Council will automatically cease to be a member of the authority. It is appropriate for Council to note this report and the vacation of Office by Laura Brindley by virtue of statutory provision. In view of the proximity of the 2019 Parish Council Elections no further action is recommended other than to note the report.

Chairman's Initials

### **19/047 Clerks notes on Actions from previous minutes**

- 19/025 Hedge Cutting – Poors Meadow Cllr Feast: It is now too late to cut hedges due to bird nesting.  
Overflow Carpark – Fosse Meadows Cllr Shirley: Cllr Hewson (BDC) has contacted Pete Williams BDC who is arranging contractors to address poor car park surface.  
Safety of Gravestones – St. Helens Church Cllr Shirley: Contact has been made with Leicester Diocese who state that nothing can be done without permission from the Archdeacon. Sharnford Parish Council are now responsible for the maintenance, costs, and insurance of the churchyard but, without any control.
- 19/029 Condition of Shelter – Burial Ground Cllr Shirley: Cllr Dalton-Brown to investigate further
- 19/031 Invoice for arborist work – Poors Meadow Cllr Feast: Invoice received  
Tree Inspection Cllr Shirley: Tree inspection carried out. Invoice for payment to be paid after April 1st.
- 19/032 Pollution in Soars Brook Cllr Shirley: Written to STW. Awaiting reply
- 19/037 Erection of new office building – Aston Lane Cllr Shirley: Delay due to 1) No Planning officer to take over application, 2) Great Crested Newt Survey in April/May. Applicant has asked for application to be put on hold.

### **19/048 District Councillor**

#### Councillor Sheila Scott

*Councillor Scott is Planning, Housing Strategy, Economic & Community Development Portfolio Holder at Blaby District Council*

Blaby District Council grants allocation of cheques, 26 new groups applied. Conditions and application forms being revised to make it easier for residents to access.

LGA awards event held in London 13<sup>th</sup> March at the Grosvenor House Hotel. Blaby District Council had been shortlisted. New Lubbethorpe was nominated in the Delivery, design, landowner and 3 schools, 1 secondary, shops and open spaces.

Blaby District Council WON, fantastic achievement for BDC.

Youth Council was visited by the police at their March meeting. The YC have been concerned with the amount of knife crime on our streets, whilst not a concern on our streets and in Blaby District. They discussed other issues of concerns relating to youth culture across the country.

Local Development Plan Document. Report went to District Council on 4<sup>th</sup> February and sits with the Core Strategy document. This will now replace Blaby District Council Local Plan 1999 in its entirety. Work will begin on the New Local Plan within the coming weeks.

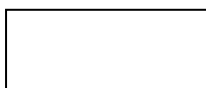
Fosse Villages Neighbourhood Plan (FVNP) was submitted to Blaby District Council a few weeks ago. Unfortunately, some details required attention prior to moving the plan along. These issues have now been addressed and the plan resubmitted to Blaby DC. The plan will now go through the process of public and Inspection scrutiny, followed by the inspector's report, back to Blaby DC for any modification prior to presentation to full council.

### **19/049 County Councillor**

#### Councillor Maggie Wright

*Councillor Wright is Deputy Leader and Finance & Assets Portfolio Holder at Blaby District Council. Councillor Wright is also a Councillor on Leicestershire County Council representing Stoney Stanton & Croft.*

Schools across Leicestershire are still being encouraged to sign-up to the "School Keep Clear" scheme to combat the problems of inconsiderate parking. A camera car enforces the mandatory zig zag zones outside school entrances. If a Chairman's Initials



school wants to be considered for future rounds of the scheme they should email [SKCProject@leics.gov.uk](mailto:SKCProject@leics.gov.uk)

Lutterworth East Proposals- A public exhibition will take place at the Wycliffe Rooms in Lutterworth from 1pm to 8pm on Friday 22nd March 2019 regarding plans for the Lutterworth East Proposal. A planning application for a 550-acre site (owned by the County Council) has been submitted to Harborough District Council. The scheme is in line with Harborough DC's emerging Local Plan and includes around 1,000 affordable homes, over 100 hectares of green space and would generate over 2,500 jobs.

Market Harborough Business Park. Building work has started on a £5.2m business park set to create 200 jobs in Market Harborough. Airfield Business Park funded by local authority, Market Harborough will offer a range of high-spec industrial units. Work is expected to be completed by November 2019.

Resource and Waste Strategy for England was released on 18th December 2018. The strategy focuses on known problems with effective solutions that will reduce reliance on single use plastics, cut confusion over household recycling, tackle the problem of waste crime and tackle food waste. The proposals have the potential to transform the way resources and waste are managed in the future.

### **19/050 Dates of future Parish Council meeting**

***Resolved to accept date of 2019 Annual Parish Meeting, to be on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May at 6.00pm in Evergreen Hall***

***Resolved to accept following dates for 2019 Parish Council Meetings:***

<b>Meeting</b>	<b>Month</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>
Parish Council	January	17	19.45
Parish Council	February	21	19.45
Parish Council	March	21	19.45
Parish Council	April	18	19.45
<b>Annual Meeting</b>	<b>May</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>18.00</b>
Parish Council	June	20	19.45
Parish Council	July	18	19.45
No Meeting	August		
Parish Council	September	19	19.45
Parish Council	October	17	19.45
Parish Council	November	21	19.45
Budget Setting	December	19	

### **19/051 Website**

Discussion over poor quality of existing website and ensuing difficulties with maintenance and upgrades. Review of 2commune website, who provide majority of websites for Blaby parish councils and the District Council.

***Resolved to transfer website and email provider from JC Computers to 2commune.***

### **19/052 Policies**

***Resolved to accept Child Protection Policy***

***Resolved to accept Grievance and Disciplinary Policy***

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**19/053 Park Equipment / S106 Funding**

Blaby District Council S106 meeting **approved** £58,046 be made available to provide new playground facilities in Sharnford. The Parish Council will arrange removal of one piece of existing playground equipment. Shortfall of £1700 to be provided from Parish Council reserves.

**19/054 Jubilee Cup**

No nominations received to date

**19/055 Delegates Reports**

None received

**19/056 Exclusive Rights**

**Resolved to grant Exclusive Rights to Mrs S Musiyiwa in respect of grave spaces for Shamiso Musiyiwa (deceased) and Mrs S Musiyiwa (reserved)**

**19/057 Planning Matters**

18/1648/FUL - Change of use of land to provide 96 space car storage facility, Coventry Road, Sapcote. **Refused**

18/1441/LBC - Replacement of four single glazed Yorkshire slider windows & replacement front door, 45 Leicester Road, Sharnford. **Application Permitted**

18/0795/FUL - Erection of new office building and associated car parking. The Works, Aston Lane. **Application postponed.**

**19/058 Finance**

**Accounts for Payment**

**Resolved that the following items of expenditure be approved:**

LRALC – Training	£40.00
Parish Clerk – Stamps + Consumables	£70.54
Over 60’s Group – Tony Berridge	£125.00
JAG – Tree Inspection	£770.00
2commune – New website	£900

**Receipts**

Burial + Reserved Grave (Musiyiwa)	£900
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**19/059 Items for Next Agenda**

- Review of tree inspection report
- Renaming of Burial Ground
- Review of Burial & Memorial Costs
- Appointment of Grass Cutting contract
- End of year accounts
- Playground update – timing of installation

**19/060**

**The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2019**

Approved By: .....

Date: 21<sup>st</sup> March 2019

Jack Feast - Chairman

Chairman’s Initials