

Shedfield Parish Council

(Incorporating the villages of Shedfield, Shirrell Heath and Waltham Chase)

MINUTES OF FULL COUNCIL

Meeting held 21 March 2011

7.15 pm at Shirrell Heath Methodist Church Hall

Present:

Parish Councillors: - Alan Cox, Chairman (Presiding), Jess Bond, Ruth Wiffen, Matt Humphrey, Malcolm Hogg, Stuart Jones, Roy Skelding and Lesley White

District Councillors:- Linda Gemmell

Clerk: - Yvonne Wheadon

Members of public: - None

14/11 - Apologies - Councillors Graham Smith, Kevin Dye, David Ogden, Val Green, District Councillor Roger Huxstep and County Councillor Felicity Hindson

15/11 - Declarations of Interest - None

16/11 - Minutes of the meeting held on the 31 January 2011 signed by the chair as a true record.

17/11 - Councillor Vacancies - Co-option of new member.

Gary Potheary responded to the advertised vacancy and was co-opted to Council with full approval of members present. Gary resides at Waltham Chase and hopes to use his skills in representing the community and is interested in Planning and Open Space.

18/11 - Public Participation

(i) **District Councillor Linda Gemmell** announced that Mr Bostock was nominated for a Service to the Community Award for litter picking in the area. Winchester City Council is to ring fence grants making smaller donations to organisations such as Citizens Advice Bureau and the Bishops Waltham Festival. Charges to be made for Sunday car parking at Wickham and Bishops Waltham with the first hour free. More glass collections will be made at curb sides.

(ii) **Police Report** - circulated

19/11 - Culverlands Corner - Council will pursue the County Council to consider a further range of options with a suggestion of a mini roundabout.

20/11 Reports from Committees:-

(i) **Finance & Administration**

a) Councillor Jess Bond presented the current financial status for Council.

b) Expenditure for February and March approved. Any outstanding invoices for the year end will be presented at the AGM in May.

c) A proposal to reinvest monies to a 7 day notice account that are due to mature in April was agreed with an additional £5,000.

d) It was agreed that Council delegate to the Finance and Admin Committee the power to invest sums of money when that committee considers the time to be right. It was further agreed that Council would be kept abreast of the situation at each meeting of Full Council.

(ii) **Personnel & Procedures**

Email for Councillors - it was agreed that all councillors will be given individual email addresses using Parish Council domain name.

(iii) **Cemetery** - Councillor Kevin Dye updated Council on the progress of an area that has been designated for cremation caskets and also visited the area between the cemetery and the common that was found to be extremely wet and may not be suitable for a natural burial site.

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- (iv) **Common** - Some of the encroachment problems have been resolved and clearance at the rear of Canford Close will be carried out by our contractor and charged accordingly.
 - (v) **Planning**
Councillor Malcolm Hogg updated council on current enforcement issues and confirmed that progress is being made regarding the Village Signs.
- 21/11 - **Grounds Maintenance Contract** - 4 bids were received. It was resolved that ISS Facility Services would be offered the contract. To be reviewed in six months.
- 22/11 - **Parish Plan** - The committee will arrange a meeting during the 1st week of April.
- 23/11 - (i) Councillor Ruth Wiffen reported back from a Transport Meeting held earlier this month: a reduction in some of the services has been made and results of the consultation will be made available next month.
(ii) Councillor Jess Bond met with the Parochial Church Council to discuss ideas for the event in 2012.
- 24/11 - **Charity Matters**
- (i) Shirrell Heath Recreation Ground and Allotments
 - (a) Financial Status confirmed.
 - (b) Payments approved for February and March.
 - (ii) Shedfield Recreation Ground
 - (a) Financial Status confirmed
 - (b) Payments approved for February and March
 - (c) Cricket Square - it was agreed to be included on the next agenda.

With no further business to be transacted the Chair declared the meeting closed at 9:15 pm