

SHALFLEET PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of Shalfleet Parish Council held in the Wellow Literary Institute on Wednesday 12th November 2008

Present : Cllr.C.Hedgley. Chairman
Cllr.Mrs.B.Baxandall Vice-Chairman.

Councillors: Mrs.P.Broadhead, W.Burt.CC and M.Carr

In attendance; J.A.H.Whitney Clerk & RFO

There were 3 members of the public present.

Prior to the formal council sitting two joint meetings were held with (1) St.Michaels Parochial Church Council, a joint meeting to approve the dissolving of the Shalfleet Hall Trust. This action took place and it was agreed to pass the remaining funds to the Parish Council. (2) Wellow Millennium Green Trust annual meeting which reviewed the past years progress, it was noted that PC support of Green maintenance may have to be capped in 2009 due to funding restraints.

1930 Main council sitting commenced.

55/08-9 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllr.Mrs Runnette who was indisposed.

56/08-9 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

There were no declarations at this point.

57/08-9 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLUTION

The minutes of the previous meeting (prior circulated) were confirmed and the Chairman authorised to sign them as a true record.

Proposed Vice Chairman

Seconded Cllr.Carr.

Passed.

58/08-9 MATTERS ARISING NOT REQUIRING A RESOLUTION

There were no matters arising.

58/08-9 TO ADOPT THE NEW FOI MODEL PUBLICATION SCHEME

The Clerk advised Members of the details of the new FOI model publication scheme which under the provisions of the FOI Act must be applied by all local councils by 1st

January 2009. Details of the scheme will be placed on the website following adoption and members of the public are thereby informed of how to obtain information .

RESOLUTION

To adopt the FOI model scheme with immediate effect.

Proposed Cllr.Burt CC

Seconded Cllr.Mrs Broadhead

Passed.

59/08-9 ONE MILLION BLOOMS PROJECT

Cllrs Burt & Carr reported slow progress on this project as they are still considering prospective planting sites.

60/08-9 AFFORDABLE HOUSING WORKING PARTY

Cllr.Carr reported the working party had met on the 24th October at Newbridge and that good progress was being made with three additional potential AH sites be found within the Civil Parish. The working party will continue into next year and report in full to the Shalfleet Parish Council when appropriate.

61/08-9 COMMUNITY CENTRE/OFFICE PROJECT.

The Chairman reported good progress with this project, funding bids have now all been lodged and outcomes are expected towards the end of December. A joint meeting has been held with the Newbridge Community Association as a major partner in the project. NCA have agreed in principle to commit £16000 in funding towards the project and are currently seeking legal clearance from the Charity Commissioners which hopefully should not be problematical. A further joint meeting will be convened in December 2008.

62/08-9 CLERKS REPORT

RESOLUTION

- a) Finance: the following list of payments (prior circulated) was approved £111.23
Wicksteed Leisure £667.40 Brighstone Landscaping,£40 Vecta Computer Services, Clerks Salary,£108 expenses, £12.72 C.Hedgley refund, £35 Jamie Cramp . £70 pay arrears J.Whitney.

Proposed Cllr.Carr

Seconded Vice Chairman

Passed.

- b) Administration: The Clerk circulated to members the results of the recent circulated throughout the electoral addresses.

It was reported the Ross Memorial Oak tree replacement has been planted and staked.

Details of a forthcoming IWC Code of Conduct briefing were announced. The Clerk reported his attendance at the SLCC National Conference in Reading and advised that he has been voted National President elect of the Society of Local

Council Clerks which represents Parish & Town Clerks in England and Wales. Mr Whitney advised he would be commencing his term of office in October 2009. Cllr Carr congratulated Mr Whitney who will be the first President coming from a small council and only the second ever to come from the Isle of Wight. The Chairman reminded Members that the Presidents term of office would require some operational flexibility particularly regarding meeting dates.

The Clerk advised that a pre budget working party will be necessary prior to setting a precept for 2009-10 The Chairman & Cllr Carr agreed to be involved.

The Clerk advised the date for the local government elections in 2009 has been announced as June 4th which will mean adjustments to the date of the annual meeting of Shalfleet Parish Council.

63/08-9 CORRESPONDENCE

Items in the correspondence file were listed.

64/08-9 TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING

The Council considered the following applications and its recommendations were:
P/02125/08 Reads Cottage Main Road Wellow-construction of garage. ***Shalfleet Parish Council recommends refusal of this application on grounds of design.***

P/02181/08 Downs Cottage Thorley Road-extensions and alterations. ***Shalfleet Parish Council recommends refusal of this application on grounds that it is unsympathetic in design when considered against adjacent properties. The examples of vernacular architecture illustrated in the accompanying design statement are not considered to be close enough to the property to be relevant .***

P/02315/08 Brookside Main Road Shalfleet- demolish present store and replace with store and greenhouse. ***Shalfleet Parish Council has no objection.***

P/02046/08 Barnfield Farm Main Road Ningwood.-proposed agricultural workers dwelling. ***Shalfleet Parish Council has no objection to this application provided it is subject to an agricultural tie.***

P/02103/08 Endfield Farm Main Road Ningwood- extension ***Shalfleet Parish Council has no objection.***

P/02052/08 Wild Tracts Main Road Shalfleet- alterations and extension. ***Shalfleet Parish Council has no objection.***

65/08-9 COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Cllr.W.Burt CC reported that a number of highway improvements (in addition to the PFI) will take place mid January 2009

Mr Burt also advised that the new West Wight Town Manager has been involved in settling local boundary disputes and that Yarmouth Harbour Commission will need some support to keep the vehicle ferry service which is under threat from opposition in Lymington. –The Clerk was instructed to place this subject on the next agenda.

Cllr.Carr Reported problems with the Southern Water reed bed system at Shalfleet, the Clerk was requested to contact Southern Water.

Mr Carr reported a very positive meeting with IWC Highways regarding long term traffic light function at Shalfleet, a number of options are currently being considered including use of yellow lines and re-programming the light display sequence to be multi-functional. Cllr.Carr report serious potholing in the road surface at the entrances to the Ningwood recycling facility, Cllr Burt undertook to investigate the supply of some ex road scalplings from IWC Highways.

THERE BEING NO OTHER BUSINESS IN PART 1, THE COUNCIL ROSE AT 2050 FOLLOWING PUBLIC QUESTIONS.

PART11 The Council held a brief meeting to discuss employee terms and conditions in the absence of press and public, the meeting concluded at 2105 hrs.

Signed as a true record.....Chairman.

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