



Shenley Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY, 5 OCTOBER 2021, AT 7.30PM IN THE VILLAGE HALL, 108 LONDON ROAD, SHENLEY

(DUE TO COVID RESTRICTIONS AND HEALTH AND SAFETY ONLY COUNCILLORS WERE ABLE TO ATTEND IN PERSON, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WERE ABLE TO VIEW VIA ZOOM)

PRESENT: Councillors Justine Ash, Nicky Beaton (Chair), Rosemary Gilligan (Vice-Chair), Annie Keen, Sharon Madsen, Gavin O'Sullivan, Anthony Spencer, Natalie Susman and William Susman

In attendance:

- Amanda Leboff, Clerk to the Council
- 7 members of the public were present at its most.

57/21.22. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were received and approved for County Councillor Morris Bright.

58/21.22 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS OF ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

Councillors Gilligan, Spencer and Madsen Declared an Interest in the item concerning Shenley Park Trust.

59/21.22 MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 14th SEPTEMBER 2021.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council meeting, held on the 14th September 2021 be confirmed as a correct record, and to be signed by Cllr Beaton and adopted by the Council.

60/21.22 REVIEW OF ACTION PLAN FROM ABOVE MEETINGS

The Action plan was **NOTED**. The meeting was updated with regards to: -

Wildlife Camera – The cost of 3 cameras with rechargeable batteries and 2 ST cards each would be £1,006 for all 3.

The cameras are able to be moved between locations depending on the fly tipping situation. Locations with the worst fly tipping were highlighted as: -

- Woodhall Lane
- Rectory Lane
- Mimms Lane
- Silver Hill
- Rowley Lane
- Well End.

Following a proposer and a seconder it was **RESOLVED** to **ACCEPT** and **APPROVE** the quote of £1,006.00 for the 3 wildlife cameras.

It was **AGREED** that Cllrs W Susman, O'Sullivan and Keen would each be responsible for 1 camera.

It was **AGREED** the first 3 locations would be Woodhall Lane, Rectory Lane and Mimms Lane.

It was also suggested that it may be useful to join the social media group 'Hertfordshire Fly Tipping'



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61/21.22 MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 30th SEPTEMBER 2021.

The meeting **NOTED** the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting, held on the 30th September 2021.

62/21.22 PUBLIC ISSUES

The Parish Council were informed about the lack of engagement regarding complaints to Uno buses by a resident about the stopping of the last bus from St Albans and Watford through Shenley. Uno had said this was due to lack of drivers. It is clear that during lockdown there was a reduced demand for buses, however the resident wants the buses reinstated.

Councillors suggested that both County Council and the University Chancellor (Uno is a university bus) be contacted directly by the resident. The resident **AGREED** to do this.

The meeting was asked if the asphalt on the pavements is going to be replaced with the existing herring-bone pavement design. It was **NOTED** this needs to be directed to County Council. Cllr N Susman **AGREED** to highlight this with County Councillor Morris Bright.

The Chair thanked the residents for their questions.

63/21.22 REPORTS OF COMMITTEE, MEMBERS AND CLERK

(i) Public attendance at Parish Council meetings

The meeting had a lengthy discussion about allowing the public physically back into meetings.

The meeting unanimously voted to continue with broadcasting the meeting via zoom for the public and **AGREED** to review the situation in 3 months' time.

(ii) HBC Local Plan Engagement

The meeting discussed the importance of informing residents about the HBC Local Plan and ensuring the understanding of what is being proposed. It was emphasised that residents need to be encouraged to give their views on the plan

There will be 3 public meetings, that will explain in detail the plan and specifically the areas that will affect Shenley, as well as highlighting how to respond to HBC: -

- 13th October – physical meeting held in The Chapel
- 19th & 21st October – virtual meetings

It was highlighted that HBC will also be encouraging the public to engage with them regarding the local plan

(iii) Allotments and Horticultural sheds

The next allotment committee meeting is on Thursday 7th October



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(iv) Action for a Cleaner Shenley – Update

The meeting was informed that the team have collected to date for October so far 15.5 bags. Year to date 415 bags have been collected (compared to a total of 418 bags in 2020). The teams had also noticed that fly tipping has increased. The team were thanked for cutting back the overgrown hedges on New Road.

The Groundwork team are continuing doing great work clearing the Spinney.

(v) Community Payback Scheme – Update

The team started back on the 5th October after an absence of 18 months

(vi) Harris Lane/Rookery Field/Pursley Field

The lease for Pursley Field is still in the final review stage.

(vii) Media Committee

SVM went is due to be ready for delivery the week of the 11th October. The meeting thanked Mr Guy Beaton for all his hard work editing the autumn issue.

(viii) Shenley Community Activities Group

Nothing to report

(ix) Police Update

The meeting was informed that there is an OWL article encouraging those with video door-bells to join an initiative to help police.

(x) Shenley Park Trust

Nothing to report

(xi) Remembrance Sunday

The meeting **AGREED** that there would not be teas and coffees served in the village hall after the service, on account of the ongoing covid 19 pandemic.

64/21.22 FINANCIAL MATTERS

- (i) The Accounts for payment for September 2021 were received and it was: -
Following a proposal and seconder, it was: **-RESOLVED** that the monthly Accounts for September 2021 totalling £6,721.36 be **APPROVED**.
- (II) Following a proposal and seconder, it was: **-RESOLVED** that the monthly budget monitoring reports for September 2021 be **APPROVED**.
- (iii) Grant Requests using the General Power of Competence: -
There were none



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- (iv) Following a proposer and a seconder it was **RESOLVED** to **ACCEPT** and **APPROVE** the spending of no more than £1,000 for the SPC to host public meetings to inform residents of the HBC local plan
- (v) Following a proposer and a seconder it was **RESOLVED** to **ACCEPT** and **APPROVE** the quote for the cost of structural surveys on the 3 horticultural sheds of £750 + VAT.
- (vi) The meeting was informed that Mr. Gough is no longer able to carry out the works on the Shenleybury bus stops. Therefore: -
Following a proposer and a seconder it was **RESOLVED** to **ACCEPT** and **APPROVE** the quote from Mr. Hobson to carry out works to the 2 bus shelters at Shenleybury totaling no more than £4,251.00

65/21.22 The meeting ended at 8.50p.m.

Chairman

ACTION LIST - 14 SEPTEMBER 2021

PROVISION	ACTION	BY	ACTION
Horticultural sheds	Risk assessment to be carried out	Clerk to arrange	ASAP
ACS Group – wildlife cameras	To be ordered	Cllrs Susman	ASAP
Highways	Who owns path between Newcome Road and Anderson Road? Who owns Menorial waste on Rectory Lane?	Clerk	ASAP
Shenley Park Trust	Letter highlighting concerns	Cllrs	ASAP
Bus stops	Instruct Mr Hobson	Clerk	ASAP