

Shobrooke Parish Council Meeting.

Minutes of the meeting held at the Village Hall on Wednesday 8th March 2023

The meeting commenced at 7:30 pm

Members Present: Cllr C Furse (Chair), Cllr A Jones
Cllr L Balkwill (acting) Parish Clerk,
Mrs A Clarke (new Clerk)

Public Participation. None

Formal Business

- 01.03.23 Welcome and apologies for absence:**
The Chair opened the meeting. Margaret Squires.
- 02.03.23 Declaration of Interests/Dispensations:**
None
- 03.03.23 Minutes of the previous meeting:**
The minutes of the meeting of Wednesday 15th February 2023 were agreed as a true record.
The Chair signed the minutes.
- 04.03.23 To consider any applicants fro co-option**
A discussion was held about two potential people that may be interested.
- 05.03.23 Mid Devon District Council:**
05.01 Planning Application: None
05.02 Planning Decision: None
- 06.03.23 Finance**
06.01 Parish Council receipts Current Account: None, discussion on interest being accrued.
06.02 Parish Council payments Current Account: £2952.00
06.03 To approve Authorises/signatories for this months payments.
06.04 Balances:
06.05 Parish council current account balance £3319.96
06.06 Parish Council Footpath balance (in the current account figure) £311.74
06.07 Parish Council Reserve Account Balance: £7810.21 (£4000.00 for the play equipment)
06.08 Financial statement and Budget Monitor, the VAT needs to be claimed back for the
EOY
- 07.03.23 Roads and Footpaths:**
07.01 Cllr Jones indicated Highways have been around sorting out some of the pot holes.

07.02 Speeding and speed watch, the council discussed the best way forward and decided that a potential consultation should be made to Crediton with a view to hiring their equipment as and when it was needed. The clerk will contact Crediton PC about this.

- 08.03.23 Parish Council:**
08.01 Village hall audit, Cllr Jones indicated the audit was for potential warm spaces.
08.02 Great British Spring clean, Chair mentioned putting this in the bus shelter to see if anyone wanted to participate.
08.03. Hedgehog project emails have been received, they are seeking sponsorship.
08.04. Voter Id Cllr Balkwill indicated Malcolm has been informed.
- 09.03.23 Councillors Reports**
09.03 s106 clerk had contacted Ros but hadn't had a response as yet.
09.04. Battery for the Defibrillator, two quotes, one is more preferable. Mr. Warden, a parishioner has made a generous offer to help pay for the battery for the defibrillator. Clerk will contact Mr. Warden. Cllrs will arrange payment whilst the transition with the new clerk is underway.
09.05 School Close, Cllr Balkwill has put a proposal together. To change the allocation of them to allow families in and/or extend some of the properties. The aim is to explore the situation. The housing officer will receive the proposal in due course. The bungalows were originally for the elderly but the location is causing problems.
09.06 The Website needs amending and altering to bring it up to date. The clerk will investigate how to resolve this in due course.

09.07 Playing fields, Cllr Jones has been in contact with Wickstead who want photographs of the site and an address regarding the swings. Valencia stage one has been filled in and is in process for the grant, stage 2 will need documents.
The Roundabout, has been locked at. Usual maintenance routine for this.
Chair indicated the Inspections can be once a fortnight from here on in and will contact the person required.
- 10.03.23 Clerk's report:**
To welcome the new parish clerk.
- 11.03.23 Devon County Council**
None.
- 12.03.23 Miscellaneous Correspondence**
12.01 Details of the Enchanted garden ball in the park
- 13.03.23 Minor matter and items for future agenda**
13.03 Any details please contact the new clerk
- 14.03.23 Date of Next Meeting – Wednesday 12th April 2023.** The meeting closed at 8.20pm

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