

# **SHAVINGTON-CUM-GRESTY PARISH COUNCIL**

## **MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT THE VILLAGE HALL ON WEDNESDAY, 5<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2014**

**Present:** Councillors Mrs G McIntyre, Mrs S Cheshire, Mrs V Adams, S Hogben, D Miller, P Yoxall, Mrs A Yoxall, W McIntyre, Mrs R Hancock, B Melling and R Clarke.

**Apologies for absence:** Councillor K Gibbs.

**Also in attendance:** PCSO P Corbett and Ward Councillor D Brickhill.

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### **206. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND GRANTING OF DISPENSATIONS**

Councillor Ms R Hancock declared an interest in Minute No.214 vi (Must See Musicals concerning the way in which the Village Hall was hired) since she was the Chair of the Shavington Village Festival Committee (and Shavington Drama Group was a member of that body) and left the room during the discussion and decision on that item.

### **207. POLICING ISSUES**

The Council welcomed PCSO P Corbett and he presented his detailed verbal report on policing activity in the Parish during the previous month. Councillors noted the information in respect of crime and anti-social behaviour incidents.

Members raised some concerns over vehicles obstructing pavements and asked PCSO Corbett to advise motorists accordingly when he came across this situation. The recent problem with dumping of asbestos in the Village Hall refuse container was discussed and members asked the Police to be vigilant in attempting to identify the culprits.

Members also noted that the new PCSO, Victoria Moulton, would commence her duties on 1<sup>st</sup> April.

### **208. QUESTIONS/COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

The Parish Council suspended the meeting to allow input from members of the public present, and various planning and highway related matters were raised and discussed.

Ward Councillor D Brickhill advised the Council that the Cheshire East Council Local Plan Strategy - Submission Version would be formally consulted upon in a six-week consultation period commencing in mid-March, and urged the Parish Council to submit its views once the documentation had been received.

### **209. MINUTES**

**RESOLVED:** a) That the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> February 2014 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

b) That the Minutes of the Village Hall Management Committee meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> February 2014 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

#### **Matters arising**

### **210. Traffic Congestion/Speeding vehicles (184)**

Councillors B Melling and P Yoxall reported on the outcome of their site meeting on 24<sup>th</sup> February 2014 with Officers from Cheshire East Highways to discuss the options available for

improvements in Osborne Grove, and in Chestnut Avenue/Vine Tree Avenue/Southbank Avenue.

## **211. ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP**

**RESOLVED:** That Councillor W McIntyre be appointed to serve on the Environment Committee.

## **212. VILLAGE HALL MATTERS**

The Parish Council noted the action taken by Councillor D Miller in removing the asbestos from the Village Hall refuse container, double bagging it and transporting it to the tip, thereby saving the Parish Council some £500 on professional disposal fees.

The Clerk reported that Stewart Thorley has been appointed to prepare a scheme to improve the toilet facilities at the Village Hall within the confines of the current available floorspace, and in the process to

provide facilities for disabled people. He had visited the Hall and taken detailed measurements and will be preparing plans for the Parish Council's approval in order that a Building Regulation application could then be submitted with a view to the work being carried out during the current financial year

**RESOLVED:** a) That the appreciation of the Parish Council for Councillor Miller's actions be placed on record.

b) that the possibility of installing CCTV at the Hall be considered by the Village Hall Management Committee

## **213. NOTICE BOARDS**

The Parish Council was disappointed to note that its recent tendering exercise had produced no tenders being submitted for the six new notice boards, and members then discussed how to proceed.

**RESOLVED:** That the Clerk be instructed to obtain prices from appropriate manufacturers and suppliers of street furniture, for the supply of six off-the-shelf notice boards.

## **214. CORRESPONDENCE**

The Parish Council received and noted the following items of correspondence:

- i. An appeal notification from the Planning Inspectorate granting permission for the Gresty Green Farm application.
- ii. A thank you letter from the 12<sup>th</sup> South West Cheshire (1<sup>st</sup> Shavington) Scout Group for the grant awarded at the last meeting.
- iii. An e-mail from Ward Councillor D Brickhill concerning the continuing parking issues at Newcastle Road.
- iv. An e-mail invitation to speak on the Local Plan Strategy at Macclesfield on 26<sup>th</sup> February and then again at Crewe Alex on 28<sup>th</sup> February. This e-mail had been sent by Cheshire East Council at 4.30pm on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February.
- v. A copy of the Police and Crime Commissioner and Chief Constables Update edition 4.
- vi. E-mail correspondence from Must See Musicals forwarding on its correspondence with Cheshire East Council over its Freedom of Information request.

**RESOLVED:** a) That in respect of item iii. above Ward Councillor Brickhill be asked to make initial progress on raising with Cheshire East Council what improvements may be possible to ease the problems along this stretch of road.

b) That in respect of item vi. above the Clerk include reference to this in his response to Must See Musicals.

## **215. PLANNING MATTERS**

### **Planning Application 13/2874N - Gresty Oaks**

The Parish Council noted that this application is currently at appeal and once the Planning Inspectorate had supplied him with its report the Secretary of State had indicated that he will personally determine the outcome. The Parish Council also noted that Cheshire East Council had recommended refusal of the appeal.

## **216. FINANCIAL MATTERS**

### **a) Payment of accounts**

**RESOLVED:** That the following payments be approved:

i.	C Moulton – Clerk's salary (£820.56 less tax/Ni)	£618.57
ii.	M Webster & Son – grounds maintenance work February 2014	£824.82
iii.	M Webster & Son – jetting War Memorials at the Village Hall	£150.00
iv.	C Willetts website updates	£25.00
v.	J R Preston – Village Hall roof repair	£234.00
vi.	HMRC Clerks tax/Ni deducted January-March 2014	£605.97
vii.	HMRC employers NI contribution October 2013 – March 2014	£227.28
viii.	RJE Associates Shavington East objections re-write	£160.00

### **b) RTI reporting**

This new system of reporting PAYE to HMRC was introduced for all employers in 2013. The Parish Council noted that a submission had to be made every time an employee is paid and members discussed the options for providing this information, and also considered what the approach of other Parishes was.

**RESOLVED:** That the Clerk obtain information from Hough Parish Council, and then make the necessary arrangements for this same service to be purchased and introduced.

## **217. GENERAL HIGHWAY ISSUES**

Members also asked the Clerk to report a problem with several street lights not working in Greenfields Avenue (1 and 2), and Lordsmill Road (9, 10 and 13); and also a hole in the pavement at the small car park off Main Road.

In addition the Parish Council noted reports that the Vine public house had been sold to a property development company.

## **218. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

**RESOLVED:** That the next meeting of the Parish Council be held at the Village Hall on Wednesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2014 commencing at 7.15pm.

***There being no further business the Chair declared the meeting closed at 9.15pm.***

Chair .....  
2<sup>nd</sup> April 2014