

**SHEARSBY PARISH COUNCIL**



**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL  
HELD AT VILLAGE HALL ON 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2024.**

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| Present | Councillors : J Gunnell, A Sharp, R Burton, T Picton- Clark, H Denton-Stacey (Clerk)<br>District Councillors: None,<br>4 members of the public   |
| 1.      | <u>Chairman’s Welcome</u><br>Chair welcomed all to the meeting.<br>He expressed condolences to the families of Martin Reynolds & Barry Jones following their passing, both were well respected members of the community.   |
| 2.      | <u>Apologies for absence</u><br>None   |
| 3.      | <u>To receive declarations of interest and requests for dispensations</u><br>None.   |
| 4.      | <u>To sign as an accurate record the minutes of the previous meeting</u><br><br><b>RESOLVED:</b> to sign the minutes of the meeting held on 22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2024 as a correct record. Proposed by Cllr A Sharp, Seconded by Cllr T Picton- Clark.<br><b>RESOLVED:</b> to sign the minutes of the Annual meeting held on 22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2024 as a correct record. Proposed by Cllr R Burton, Seconded by Cllr A Sharp.   |
| 5.      | <u>To receive reports from District and County</u><br>None.  |
|         | <u>Matters Arising</u><br>The ROSPA inspection has been carried out, highlighting some small repairs which have been carried out. The inspector advised ideally that the goal posts are stored away over the winter months, due to the risk of trips and being hidden during bad weather. Quote is to be obtained to treat all of the wood at the playground.<br>The planning application for the fencing around the Green has been approved and the supplier has been on a site visit, they will provide the PC with a timescale.<br>The Green is to be looked at for maintaining throughout the seasons. It was discussed that now is the ideal time as the new fencing will be pegged out showing fence lines.<br><br>Quarterly playground inspections are to be carried out and logged to the Clerk. |
| 6.      | <u>Meeting open to the public</u>  |

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|     | <p>A resident advised a resolution was passed to plant 3 silver birches on the green in aid of the King's Coronation, is there an update on this?<br/> Cllr R Burton advised this is still the plan, awaiting timings as wanted to complete the fencing first.</p> <p>A resident advised that an engineer has been out to assess the church wall, the church are awaiting a start date.</p> <p>The Parish Council gave thanks to villagers who removed the fallen tree in the village blocking access.</p> <p>A resident advised he has communicated with the PC regarding overgrowth of vegetation around the sub station. Cllr A Sharp advised this has been reported to National Grid, who are investigating and will report back.</p> |                                    |            |
| 7.  | <p><u>Cox Automotive</u><br/> Cllr J Gunnell presented the below report:<br/> Key things:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The site is quiet at the moment as the industry is quiet and not up to normal capacity.</li> <li>2. Liam would like to attend a PC meeting, November has been suggested and an invitation has been given.</li> </ol>  |                                    |            |
| 8.  | <p><u>Street Lighting</u><br/> LCC have extended their County trial, the PC will await results of this. It was discussed that residents could obtain their what three words for use with emergency services if lights are switched off, for those residents unsure of how to obtain this information, Julie Poncet has offered to support with this and is happy to be contacted.</p>   |                                    |            |
| 9.  | <p><u>Footpaths/Highway updates</u><br/> All in order.</p>  |                                    |            |
| 10. | <p><u>Neighbourhood Plan</u><br/> The final draft has now been completed and will be submitted to HDC for review.</p>   |                                    |            |
| 11. | <p><u>Planning Applications</u><br/> None.</p>  |                                    |            |
| 12. | <p><u>Events</u><br/> 27<sup>th</sup> September MacMillan Coffee morning at the Village Hall 10am-1pm.<br/> 12<sup>th</sup> October Nature Group Apple Day at the Village Hall.<br/> 13<sup>th</sup> October Harvest Festival at the Church 6pm.<br/> 14<sup>th</sup> October Harvest Supper at the Village Hall at 7pm.</p>  |                                    |            |
| 13. | <p><u>Finance and Accounts</u></p>  |                                    |            |
|     | a)  | Balance 31 <sup>st</sup> July 2024 | £31,941.18 |
|     |   | Receipts: May 24- Jul 24           | £19,469.25 |

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|     | Payments: May 24 to Jul 24  | £6,014.53               |         |
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|     | <u>May, June &amp; July finance reports viewed and approved</u>                                       |                         |         |
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| 14. | b) <u>Payments for authorisation</u>  |                         |         |
|     | H Denton-Stacey   | Clerks salary July      | £311.10 |
|     | HMRC  | Employee Tax            | £77.60  |
|     | Leicester Gardening Services  | Grass cutting charge    | £395.39 |
|     | H Denton-Stacey   | Clerks salary August    | £311.10 |
|     | HMRC  | Employee Tax            | £77.60  |
|     | H Denton- Stacey  | Home allowance July     | £26.00  |
|     | H Denton- Stacey  | Home allowance August   | £26.00  |
|     | H Denton-Stacey   | Clerks salary September | £311.10 |
|     | HMRC  | Employee tax            | £77.60  |
|     | Leicester Gardening Services  | Grass cutting charge    | £395.39 |
|     | Your Locale   | Neighbourhood Plan      | £5,400  |
|     | Moore PKF   | External Audit          | £252.00 |
|     | ICO   | Annual fee              | £40.00  |
|     | VHT   | Annual Donation         | £600.00 |
|     | Post Office   | Postage                 | £7.95   |
|     | CPRE  | Annual Membership       | £36.00  |
|     | N Power   | Electricity             | £51.22  |
|     | H Denton- Stacey  | Clerks salary October   | £311.10 |
|     | HMRC  | Employee tax            | £77.60  |
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|     | Seagrave  | Playground inspection   | £198.00 |
|     | <b>RESOLVED:</b> Payments be authorised, proposed by Cllr T Picton-Clark, seconded by Cllr J Gunnell. |                         |         |
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| 15. | <u>AOB</u>  |                         |         |
|     | No snow warden volunteers have expressed interest.  |                         |         |
| 16. | <u>Urgent / late items at the Chairman's discretion</u>   |                         |         |
|     | None  |                         |         |
| 17. | <u>Correspondence</u>   |                         |         |
|     | Covered in Public section   |                         |         |
| 18. | <u>Items for discussion at next meeting</u>   |                         |         |
| 19. | Date of next meeting: Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> November 2024 at 7:00pm                               |                         |         |
|     | Meeting closed at 20:04pm   |                         |         |



