

SHEET PARISH COUNCIL

CHAIRPERSON: Ron Dark

CLERK: Jenny Hollington

Minutes of a Meeting of Sheet Parish Council held on Tuesday, 14th April 2015 at 7.30 p.m. at Sheet Village Hall

Present: Cllrs. Ron Dark (in the Chair) Gail Martin Vaughan Clarke
Clive Shore Will Glancy Brian Bird
Robin Forrest

In Attendance: Clerk - Jenny Hollington

There were 3 members of the public in attendance throughout the meeting.

15/71 **Apologies** – None

15/72 **Minutes** – The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 10th March 2015 and the confidential Minutes from 10th February and 10th March were all approved and duly signed.

15/73 **Declarations of Interests** - Councillors were reminded of their responsibility to declare any pecuniary interest which they may have in any item on the Agenda as they go through the meeting.

15/74 **Public Comment** – None

15/75 **Planning** – Current planning applications were discussed –

SDNP/15/01203/HOUS	Single storey extension to side and removal of conservatory to rear	Wild Strawberry House, Love Lane, GU31 4BU	No Objection
SDNP/15/00920/TCA	Fell 1 Silver Birch and 1 Sycamore	2 Portland Close, Sheet GU32 2BA	No Objection
SDNP/15/01305/FUL	New dwelling to rear of showroom + addition of customer handover area	23 London Road, GU31 4BQ	No Objection subject to condition

15/76 **Finance** –

(a) The bank reconciliation for March, circulated prior to the meeting, was approved.

(b) The following cheques were approved:

Chq No.	Amount	Payee	Service
300304	£146.59	Contract Natural Gas Ltd	Village Hall
300305	£60.03	E-on	Village Hall
300306	£885.05	Sheet Music	Caretaking - V. Hall + website
300307	£66.78	HCC (County Supplies)	Village Hall
300308	£76.96	Southern Water	Village Hall
300309	£61.83	W.V. Howe	Crockery - V.Hall kitchen (grant)
300310	£72.00	S.D. Playgrounds	Quarterly play inspection
300311	£21.91	R. Forrest	Refund - repair to play

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			equipment
300312	£40.00	A. D. Bewes	Allotment deposit refund (23b)
300313	£13.20	A.W. Clear	Refund - keys (Sheet Rec)
300314	£275.00	Hampshire Assoc Local Councils	Affiliation fees
300315	£65.48	HMRC	Clerk - N.I. and Tax
300316	£728.19	J. Hollington	Salary + Expenses
Total :	£2,513.02		

15/77 Southern Water – Dr. Dart was unable to be present at the meeting but his report was read to the meeting by the Chairman:

- Dr. Dart has met with the Pumping Station Area Manager and it has been agreed that the attenuation manhole will NOT be in the cobbled courtyard in front of nos 29, 30 and 31 Mill Lane, but instead located within the Pumping Station compound. This will avoid digging up the cobbles and restricting access to the garages of the properties while the job progresses.
- On 1st April Clancy-Docwra ceased to be the S. Water Sewerage contractor and the contract is now being operated by Cappagh-Browne. This will result in changes to people and processes. As a result Dr. Dart will need to meet with the new Civils Crew to explain the above job.
- Regarding the proposed jetting in Church Fields, Dr. Dart is meeting one of the contractor's new supervisors on Monday, 13th April to plan the job.

15/78 Sheet Neighbourhood Plan – The Chairman and Mr. Platt met with Chris Patterson from the SDNPA to discuss the Steering Group's decision not to proceed with a Neighbourhood Plan following the publication of the SHLAA results. Chris Patterson had agreed that the decision not to continue with the Neighbourhood Plan did make sense in the circumstances.

15/79 Developer's Contributions for Sunnymeade – A meeting has been arranged for Monday, 27th April for the Chairman, Cllr. Shore and the Clerk to meet with EHDC representatives - Tom Horwood, Julia Potter, Cllr. Angela Glass and a member of the Legal Department - to discuss the non-payment of developer's contributions for the above development. Cllr. Shore reported that he has continued background research and uncovered more information to offer up to EHDC with a view to them taking forward, if appropriate.

A member of the public raised several questions regarding the original planning process and the role of the Planning Inspectorate, which the Parish Council agreed to take into consideration. Feedback from the meeting with EHDC will be given at the May P.C. Meeting.

15/80 Network Rail – Sheet Crossing – Nothing further has been heard from Network Rail.

15/81 Sheet Recreation Ground –

Storage Shed - Planning for the new storage shed has been approved – Cllr. Glancy confirmed that DNE Services will order and install the shed in early May. E-mail communication from Mr. Harvey, Sheet Scouts, concerning a possible installation of a ground source heat pump for the Scout Hut will need to be discussed, to establish exactly where this would be situated - it could potentially be where the storage shed is to be installed - Cllr. Glancy was asked to liaise. If it is to go ahead, Mr. Harvey will be asked to present proposals to the Parish Council in July.

New Play Equipment - There has been a slight delay in manufacture which has pushed back installation until after the Easter Holidays.

15/82 Allotments – A quote for clearing and maintaining 3 or 4 currently empty plots was discussed (clearing £634.20, reinstating the fences and brush cutting £220.59, monthly maintenance visits £38.92). Two other contractors had turned down the work to clear the plots, but one was prepared to rotorvate the plots once cleared.

It was agreed that the cost of clearing at £634.20 was too high – instead it was agreed that Cllrs. Forrest, Dark, Bird and Glancy would form a working party to clear as much as they can initially – the situation will then be reviewed.

It was suggested that Plot 65 (which is under trees, and requires a lot of work) could be used as car parking rather than an allotment – this proposal will be discussed with Mr. Mogg.

15/83 Village Green – It had been recommended by the arboricultural consultants that wood chip under the Horse Chestnut tree would help aerate the roots which are bounded on three sides by tarmac road. Cllr. Forrest reported that Chris Booker is willing to drop off a load of appropriate chippings for the Parish Council to rake in – this offer was approved.

15/84 Village Hall

- (a) Broadband – Cllr. Glancy said that there is no direct financial benefit in offering a broadband connection at the Village Hall, however, it could benefit the community. Virgin Broadband at £35 per month (no line rental) would be the best option but when he had looked into it, they had been unwilling to connect the Village Hall. The Clerk was asked to try again with Virgin and BT and to report back at the next meeting.
- (b) Refurbishment - The Village Hall will be closed for the last 2-weeks of August for refurbishing the main hall. The summer holidays tend to be very quiet, so this should not cause a problem.
- (c) Planters – The sum of £150 for planters and plants to enhance the front area was approved. Cllr. Martin was asked to take this forward.

15/85 Church Field – A meeting had been held between P.C. Reps, and Mr. Wake, his Solicitor and Architect to continue discussions in respect of proposals for Church Field. The Architect had drawn up a very early sketch showing the position of one house within the land, and this was circulated for information. Cllr. Forrest confirmed that Mr. Wake is keen to inform and work with the P.C.

Going forward, Mr. Wake has asked the Architect to carry out an in-depth survey of the land and a copy will be sent via the Clerk. The details of the 10-year lease of the land for market gardening (with an undertaking to clear the saplings) will be looked into by the Clerk.

It was re-iterated that at some point in the near future legal advice with regard to the transfer of the land to the Parish Council will be required and Mr. Wake should be asked to present his proposals at a Parish Council Meeting.

15/86 County Councillor's Report – The County Councillor's report is appended to these Minutes.

15/87 Elections – The Chairman confirmed that the election for Sheet Parish Council is uncontested. There were 7 nominations for the 8 vacancies - Cllrs. Brian Bird, Vaughan Clarke, Ron Dark, Robin Forrest, Will Glancy, Gail Martin and new Councillor, Tony Clear, will sign their declarations to take office at the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council, which will take place on Tuesday, 19th May.

Cllr. Shore has not stood for re-election which means that, as presently, there is one vacancy. It was confirmed that once the Annual Meeting has been held, Councillors will decide whether they wish to advertise the vacancy and co-opt someone else.

The Chairman took the opportunity to thank Cllr. Shore for all his hard work and efforts on behalf of Sheet Parish Council.

15/88 Correspondence –

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- Letter from Damien Hinds regarding registration of local pubs as an asset of community value – it was agreed to look into the detail of this more thoroughly and to discuss with the landlords of the Half Moon and The Queen’s Head, before making a decision at the next meeting.
- H.R. Service via HALC – the offer of a H.R. Service provided through HALC at £100 per year was declined.

15/89 Annual Parish Assembly – It was agreed that the Annual Parish Assembly will be held on Friday, 15th May in the main hall, along the same lines as last year. Cllr. Glancy will report on plans for the 2015 Sheet Film Festival and reports will also be received on the Sheet Allotments, Village Hall, etc. All Parish Councillors are encouraged to attend.

15/90 Date of Next Meeting – **Friday, 15th May – Annual Parish Assembly - 7.30 p.m.**
Tuesday, 19th May 2015 (Annual Meeting) - 7.30 p.m.

The meeting closed at 9.10 p.m.