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**SHEET PARISH COUNCIL**

**CHAIRPERSON:** Ron Dark

**CLERK:** Jenny Hollington

**Minutes of a Meeting of Sheet Parish Council held on Tuesday, 11<sup>th</sup> August 2020 at Sheet Village Hall at 7.30 p.m.**

**Present:** Cllrs. Ron Dark (in the Chair) Alan Biddlecombe Brian Bird  
Robin Forrest Chris Wilton

**In Attendance:** District Councillor, Nick Drew  
Clerk, Jenny Hollington

There were no members of the public present

- 20/105 **Apologies** – Apologies had been received from Cllrs. Clear, Glancy and Martin
- 20/106 **Minutes** – The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> July 2020 were approved as a correct record of the meeting and signed.
- 20/107 **Declarations of Interests** – The Chairman reminded Councillors of their responsibility to declare any pecuniary interest on any item on the Agenda – none declared.
- 20/108 **Public Comment** – A resident of Old Mill Lane who uses the footpath which runs along the Rother had complained that access to the river has been closed off, pointing out that the route is enjoyed by many walkers and enables dogs to cool off in the river. The resident had also questioned whether the works were authorised and carried out to an acceptable standard?

Sheet Parish Council responded to say that whilst they had no direct influence over the matter, they have taken a keen interest. The work was to reinforce the banks and diminish soil and silt entering the stream and was carried out following a survey by Dr Rowena Baker, the environmental river ecologist for the Arun and Rother Rivers Trust. An explanatory notice had been displayed. It had been noted that the public right of way over this land is limited to the footpath - the walk around the field above and access to the river always has always been at the discretion of the landowner. The owners obviously take the view that the long-term health and biodiversity of the river is their priority.

- 20/109 **Planning** – Current planning applications were discussed as follows:

SDNP/20/0 2936/CND	<b>Variation of condition 1 of 24603/030 to amend the operating hours of the all-weather pitch facility</b>	Churchers College, Ramshill, GU31 4AS	Concern that floodlighting may violate principles of Dark Skies Policy and over the level of screening for noise
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- 20/110 **Finance**

- (a) The July bank reconciliation had been circulated prior to the meeting and was approved and signed.  
(b) Cheques for August payment were approved as follows:

<b>Chq No.</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Payee</b>	<b>Service</b>
301119	£60.00	L. Burge	Refund - Allotment deposit
301120	£151.20	Petersfield Town Council	Litter bin contract
301122	£337.50	Bill Robinson	Grass Cutting Contract

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301123	£75.00	Tom Morgan	Website management
301124	£22.97	Business Stream	Water - Village Hall
301125	£460.00	Sheet Music	Cleaning and caretaking - V Hall
301126	£142.53	HMRC	Tax, NI and Employer contribution (+arrears)
301127	£838.03	J. Hollington	Clerk + refund (hand sanitiser foot pump)
<b>Total</b>	<b>£2,087.23</b>		

- (c) Renewal of electricity contract for Sheet Village Hall – Comparison quotes for electricity supply had been received and details circulated prior to the meeting. Following discussion, it was agreed to switch from SSE to Octopus Energy.

20/111 Date of Next Meeting – Tuesday, 8<sup>th</sup> September – Sheet Village Hall – 7.30 p.m.