

SHEET PARISH COUNCIL

CHAIRPERSON: Ron Dark

CLERK: Jenny Hollington

Minutes of the Meeting of Sheet Parish Council held on Tuesday, 9th January 2018 at 7.30 p.m. at Sheet Village Hall

Present: Cllrs. Ron Dark (in the Chair) Tony Clear Alan Biddlecombe
 Robin Forrest Will Glancy Vaughan Clarke,
 Gail Martin Brian Bird

In Attendance: County Councillor, Russell Oppenheimer
 Clerk, Jenny Hollington

There were 4 members of the public present during the meeting.

- 18/01 Apologies – Apologies had been received from District Councillor, Nicky Noble.
- 18/02 Minutes – The Minutes of the meeting held on 12th December 2017 were approved and signed.
- 18/03 Declarations of Interests – The Chairman reminded Councillors of their responsibility to declare any pecuniary interest on any item on the Agenda. Cllrs. Glancy and Bird declared an interest in the second planning application SDNP/17/06332/HOUS and left the room for discussion of this item.
- 18/04 Public Comment –
- A resident of Mill Lane asked that her thanks be recorded for the help received from Sheet P.C. after a large tree fell across the River Rother and onto the bank at the rear of her property.
 - A letter of thanks was received from the Sheet PCC History Group for the grant towards their history project
 - Cllr. Clarke read out an e-mail he had received from a concerned resident re. speed on Pulens Lane and his response. It was noted that neighbouring parishes are considering installing speed indicator devices where speeding is an issue and agreed that Sheet P.C. would see how effective these prove to be before considering the issue further.
 - Sheet Parish Councillors are invited to Adhurst St. Mary on 22nd January at 10.00 a.m. to see the latest renovation works to the property.
 - Mrs Jean Morgan introduced herself as the newly appointed Village Agent for Age Concern. Jean can assist in providing information on topics of importance to the elderly. Further details are available on the flyer posted in the village hall or from Age Concern Hampshire.

18/05 Planning – Current Planning Applications:

SDNP/17/05587 /HOUS	Single storey pavilion style rear extension	30 Mill Lane, Sheet GU32 2AJ	No Objection subject to amended plans being received as discussed with applicant
SDNP/17/06332 /HOUS	Demolition of existing conservatory and replacement with new single storey rear extension with false pitched roof and render	32 Mill Lane, Sheet, GU32 2AJ	No Objection

18/06 Finance

- (a) The bank reconciliation for December had been circulated prior to the meeting and was approved and signed.
- (b) The amended draft budget proposal, which takes into account the various projects discussed at the December meeting, had been circulated prior to the meeting – the Chairman explained that assuming a grant towards the renovation of the Scout Hut is approved during the current financial year, there would be a loss during the year of £4,600 for 17/18. However, for 2018/19 there is a predicted surplus of £6,900. Following discussion, the budget proposal was approved.
- (c) Precept - Following discussion of the budget, it was agreed to keep the amount of tax paid per household at the same level as previous years, which would equate to a precept of £39,631. A 2018/19 precept of £39,631 was unanimously approved.
- (d) The following cheques were approved for January payment:

Chq No.	Amount	Payee	Service
300765	£140.87	Contract Natural Gas	V. Hall
300766	£144.00	ALE Fire Systems	V. Hall
300767	£180.00	N. Rook Blackstone	Weed kill - footpath & car park
300768	£55.00	A.W. Clear	Refund for re-seeding bonfire site
300769	£624.00	Sheet Music Ltd	V. Hall - caretaking/cleaning
300770	£92.90	HMRC	Tax/NI Clerk (Jan)
300771	£611.27	J. Hollington	Clerk - Dec
300772	£66.00	DNE Services	Cooker - repair
300773	£390.00	Mark Butcher	Resurfacing Millennium Field Car Park
300774	£720.00	J.A. Peters	Resurfacing Millennium Field Car Park
300775	£1,135.00	D. Peters	Resurfacing Millennium Field Car Park
Total :	£4,159.04		

- 18/07 Sheet Recreation Ground - Scout Hut Lease – Advice received from EHDC recommending a more modern, but very lengthy, form of lease was discussed – the cost of the new lease would be £1,100 + VAT. It was agreed that a legal agreement is required and that the Chairman should continue to pursue options.
- 18/08 Roads and Traffic - There has been no feedback on S.106 monies over the Christmas/New Year period, but Ian Janes promised to speak to members of the Highways Development Planning Team and respond to Sheet P.C. asap.
- 18/09 Flood Group – An initial meeting of the Mill Lane Flood Group volunteers and representatives of EHDC and HCC has been organised for Wednesday, 21st February.
- 18/10 Millennium Field
 - (a) Car Park - Resurfacing of the car park has been completed and DMP Groundworks have done a very good job.
 - (b) FOSS deposit – No feedback has been received from FOSS but the ground is currently very wet and so moving the logs would not be possible at the current time.
- 18/11 Sheet Allotments – The current noticeboard has been badly damaged by the weather and has fallen to pieces in the last couple of weeks. It was agreed that a new noticeboard should be purchased from Earth Anchors in the sum of £420. The memorial plaque will be moved to the new board.

18/12 Sheet Common – Cllr. Biddlecombe will continue to monitor the condition of the bridleway through the winter.

18/13 Sheet Village Hall

- (a) Bike Rack – An attempt to deliver a large log for use as a bike rack was made but unfortunately the ground was too wet and delivery was unsuccessful – this job will be postponed until drier weather.
- (b) Upstairs Meeting Room – Cllr. Glancy has arranged to meet with Mr. S. Male to discuss plans to install the new fire door and enclose the room.

18/14 County Councillor Report – The County Councillor’s report had been circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting and was discussed (attached - Appendix A). Cllr. Oppenheimer confirmed that school crossing patrols, community transport and household waste and recycling centres will all be excluded from the cuts to be made due to the £140m savings needed. In view of this Cllr. Oppenheimer said he would be lobbying ministers to allow a power to charge for access to tips but members of Sheet P.C. questioned whether this would deter people from taking their rubbish to the tips and potentially increase fly-tipping – Cllr. Oppenheimer said there was no evidence that this was the case. There are to be 11 separate consultations in 2018 looking at how savings are to be achieved and Cllr. Oppenheimer will keep Sheet P.C. informed.

Hampshire Highway teams had been out all night clearing fallen trees from the roads following Storm Eleanor – Cllr. Oppenheimer felt they deserved credit for doing a 1st-class job. Anyone that experiences an issue on a Hampshire road should report it online at [www. Hants.gov.uk/transport](http://www.Hants.gov.uk/transport).

18/15 District Councillor Report – No report received.

18/16 Date of next P.C. Meeting – The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday, 13th February 2018 at 7.30 p.m. at Sheet Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.30 p.m.