
Annual Meeting of the Sharlston Parish Council held on Tuesday 5th May 2009 at Sharlston Community School at 7.00 p.m.

Present:

Councillor J Cliffe	Councillor D Ranson
Councillor A Devey	Councillor K Shingles
Councillor P Loosemore	Councillor S Ward

Also present: Dr. Bruce Berry, Resident
District Councillor Kay Binnersley

65. Election of Chairman

Proposed Councillor Shingles and seconded Councillor Loosemore that Councillor Devey be elected as Chairman. There being no other nominations, Councillor Devey was unanimously elected as Chairman.

Councillor Devey signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office and took the chair for the remainder of the meeting.

66. Election of Vice-Chairman

Proposed Councillor Shingles and seconded Councillor Ward that Councillor Cliffe be elected as vice-chairman. There being no other nominations, Councillor Cliffe was unanimously elected as vice-chairman.

67. Appointment to Committee and Outside Bodies

The following nominations were made and approved:

Planning Committee	Cliffe, Devey, Loosemore, Goodfellow
Finance Committee	Cliffe, Devey, Loosemore, Goodfellow Oldroyd
Parish Plan Working Group	Cliffe, Devey, Loosemore, Ransome, Ward Oldroyd
Church Magazine Contributor	Cliffe
YLCA Wakefield Branch	Devey, Cliffe

SANS	Cliffe, Wager, Ward
Sharlston Colliery Liaison Group	Devey, Oldroyd
Sharlston Community Partnership	Cliffe, Goodfellow, Loosemore
Community Centre Management Comm.	Devey, Goodfellow
Town & Parish Council Liaison Group	Chair, Clerk, Cliffe (reserve)
WY Rural Transport Partnership	Ward
Featherstone Road Safety Comm.	Cliffe
Sharlston Community School governor	Loosemore
Normanton Freeston Foundation Trustees	Cliffe

68. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were accepted from Councillors Oldroyd, Wager, Goodfellow & Pearson.
Louise Hall, Wakefield Express
District Councillor Pauline Guy.

69. Disclosure of Personal Interests

No declarations of interest were made at this point

70. Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 30th March 2009

Resolved: that the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 30th March 2009 be signed as a true record (*moved Cls Ward/Cliffe*).

71. Progress Report

Open Forum

Fernside Allotments – The Clerk reported BT had been contacted re the telegraph poles on Fernside and an acknowledgement of the letter had been received. No further details were available at the time of the meeting.

a. Sharlston Dovecote (Minute 53a)

Councillor Loosemore's details had been passed to English Heritage so arrangements can be made with the school for the involvement of the pupils in the Dovecote project.

b. Sharlston Bowling Club (Minute 53d)

It was reported that this was now up and running and the green being used.

c. Planning Applications (Minute 53e)

75-77 Crossley Street – The resident has appealed against the refusal of planning permission. A further letter has been sent by Parish Council to WMDC giving support to refusal.

d. Dog Fouling (Minute 53f)

WMDC have been contacted re new bin for use of dog walkers on Grime Lane.

e. Sharlston Dam – Safety Aides (Minute 56)

Attention was drawn to the problems encountered at Streethouse when safety equipment there was immediately vandalised.

f. Dedicated Phone Line

The Clerk reported that the new dedicated phone line for Council business was now installed. The new contact number for the Clerk is 01924 255628

g. Soakaway

It was reported that this has now been cleared.

72. Ongoing Projects

<p>Library and PCT site</p>	<p>a) New Road and Landscaping Project.</p> <p>Start date of 20 April passed and no work in progress.</p> <p>b) Proposed Lease</p> <p>No further action has taken place.</p> <p>Clerk to contact Val Kripps of Groundworks to ascertain current position on both of the above.</p> <p>Lease of minimum term 15/25 years would enable PC to obtain funding for new building.</p> <p>Councillors suggested £500 per year for lease.</p>
<p>Parish Plan</p>	<p>Meeting is to be arranged after Open Day.</p>

73. Sharlston Dam & Fernside Allotments

Progress regarding the sale of Sharlston Dam & Fernside allotments was discussed.

74. Open Day

Councillor Loosemore reported that the Spring 2009 Newsletter had been printed and this was distributed at the meeting. The Councillors were to deliver it throughout the village.

The Clerk reported that the Annual Report had been taken to the printers and that it would be available for Open Day.

Councillor Cliffe confirmed that arrangements for refreshments were in hand.

Provision of Display Boards had been arranged and the flag and banner were available and arrangements had been made to collect.

The Clerk and Councillor Devey were to meet to print posters and details for the Parish Council display.

74. Rugby Club

The tenancy agreement had been signed and returned to Catteralls.

The Rugby Club would now be responsible for non-domestic rates attached to the changing rooms. Mick Taylor to be contacted re this and Parish Council standing order for rates to be cancelled.

75. Planning Applications

The following Applications was considered

<i>Application No.</i>	<i>Location.</i>	<i>Details</i>	<i>Target date</i>
09/00551/FUL	Cow Lane, New Sharlston	Stable Block	No objection

76. Planning Decisions

The following decision was noted

<i>Application No.</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Details</i>	<i>Decision</i>
09/00351/FUL	759 Doncaster Road Foulby, Wakefield	Altered access & boundary treatment to front	Application approved

77. Accounts

The following accounts were approved

<i>To</i>	<i>Details</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>Category</i>
Janet Hull	Telephone handset & answerphone	£47.75	Admin. Telephone charges
Canon	Photocopying charges	£19.61	Admin.
J. Cliffe	Gift for retiring Clerk	£9.77	Councillor's Expenses
Janet Hull	Postage	£18.58	Clerk's Expenses
Janet Hull	Staples - Stationery	£21.06	Clerk's Expenses

78. Attendance at Meetings

- a) Mayor Making ceremony, Normanton. **Councillors Ward and Shingles**
- b) LCAS Seminar, South Kirkby 24th July. **Councillor Cliffe and Clerk**

79. Correspondence

All correspondence was noted.

Councillors Cliffe & Devey were to attend National Armed Forces Day on June 27th.

Sharlston Male Voice Choir – Parish Council would receive tickets for Patrons Day.

Allotment requests – forward on to WMDC, applications to be acknowledged. Also suggested that District Councillor Denise Jeffries be contacted re allotments.

80. Additional Matters

- a) Councillor Ward reported that she had received several complaints about the appointment system at the doctors. The new system means patients have to ring on the day the appointment is needed, they are kept waiting on the phone and told where they are in the queue – can be as many as 12 calls waiting. It is expensive to use these 0844 numbers if there is a long wait.
- b) Councillor Devey drew attention to the initiative by the emergency services re contact numbers stored on mobile phones. It is suggested that a number is keyed into your mobile phone for the person you want contacted in an emergency under the heading ICE (in case of emergency) This enables emergency services to contact people immediately without having to go through all the numbers of your mobile phone.
- c) Councillor Ransome reported that residents are complaining about the excessive speed of drivers using Northfield Road and they had asked if traffic calming measures were possible.
- d) Councillor Ransome reported that cars parking on roads close to the Rugby Club when a match is on are preventing access to the Heathers. She also reported that this had been raised before at a Parish Council Meeting in May 2008 but the problem still persists.

81. Date and Time of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on **Monday 8th June 2009** at 7.00 pm in Sharlston Community School.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 9.00p.m.

Signed Chairman

Date