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**SHUDY CAMPS PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT ST MARY'S CHURCH, SHUDY CAMPS,  
ON MONDAY 16 DECEMBER 2019**

Present : Councillors John Haine (Chair); Dave Elliott, Anita Kiddy and Paul Malins.

In attendance: Councillors Henry Batchelor, John Batchelor, Andrew Webb (Parish Clerk).

Members of the public : 2

1. OPEN FORUM

No matters were discussed in Open Forum.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor James Gordon

3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 16 SEPTEMBER 2019

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meeting held on 21 October 2019 be approved as a correct record.

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT ARISING ELSEWHERE ON THE AGENDA

Arising on Minute 11- Grit Bin

REPORTED: that a quotation of £150 had been received from Cambridgeshire County Council for the purchase of a grit bin and the continuous supply of a "reasonable" quantity of grit.

RESOLVED: that a bin be purchased and located adjacent to the Information Point in Main Street.

Arising on Minute 10- Repairs to Footpath Mower

REPORTED: that a quotation of £100 for the repair of the mower had been received from Gog Magog Mower Services.

RESOLVED: to authorise total expenditure of up to £200 on the servicing and repair of the mower in the current financial year.

Arising on Minute 16- Dog Fouling

REPORTED:

- (a) a quotation received by the clerk for the supply of metal boot scrapers;
- (b) that it had been established that the District Council would empty dog waste bins from locations on the public highway approved by the Highways Department.

RESOLVED:

- (a) to seek approval from the Highways Department for the installation of two 40 litre post-mounted dog waste bins, one at the start of the public footpath near the village sign in Main Street and one near the start of the public footpath adjacent to Granary Cottage on an experimental basis in the current financial year;

- (b) to make provision in the 2020-21 budget for the purchase 3-4 further bins, with installation being dependent on an assessment of the success of the initial two bins;
- (c) that alternative/additional locations for the bins should include: the ends of public footpaths adjoining the public highway at Bangs Close, Mill Green (2), Blacksmiths Lane and Nosterfield End

AGREED: that the possibility of obtaining grants from the Woodland Trust be investigated.

Arising on Minute 4- Mosaic Bench and Renovation of Village Sign

REPORTED:

- (a) that it was expected that the mosaic bench would be finished by Christmas;
- (b) a second quotation had been obtained for the repair of the village sign was. This was higher than the original quote but proposed a different approach which was likely to be more durable.

RESOLVED:

- (a) that Cllr Malins be authorised to negotiate a reduced quotation for the second approach up to the mean of the two quotes received and report the outcome to the next meeting for decision;
- (b) that a suitable event be arranged to celebrate both the installation of the bench and repair of the sign when both had been completed.

Arising on Minute 11- Community Gritting Scheme

REPORTED: that a quotation for the purchase of a gritting bin had been sought and a response was awaited from the Highways Department.

Arising on Minute 13- Nosterfield End Phone Box Renovation

AGREED: that Councillors Gordon and Malins liaise to accelerate progress on the project and report back to the Council.

5. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - None.

6. FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

NOTED: the current balances of £10,411.87 in the Treasurer's General Account, which included the second instalment of the Parish Precept (£3,125); £8,794.35 in the s106 Account and £50.00 in the Social Club Account.

RESOLVED:

- (a) to note the following previously approved payments had been made since the last meeting following due authorisation:

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| • Joy Potter (Verge Maintenance) | £500.00 |
| • Netwise Training               | £300.00 |

(b) to authorise the following payments:

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| • Parish Insurance Renewal 2019-20                                   | £186.73 |
| • Reimbursement to Parish Clerk (renewal of laptop security package) | £29.98  |
| • Red Shoes Accounting Payroll Service                               | £86.40  |

## 7. PLANNING MATTERS

### Carter's Farm Barns, Main Street

REPORTED:

- (a) that no further feedback had been received by the Chair from the Planning Department on their investigations into the adequacy of the surface water system and the possible contamination of the site by asbestos following the report given to the last Combined Parishes Meeting;
- (b) that the Chair had provided information on the background to the current situation to residents and the Parish Council's previous attempts to obtain greater clarity on action taken by the Planning Department on issues of concern to residents following the invalidation of the warranty to them offered by the developer and their difficulties in obtaining alternative insurance;
- (c) that residents had been advised that a complaint could only be made to the Local Government Ombudsman after all avenues had been explored and exhausted with South Cambs. The developer had stated that they had met their obligations to the residents. The residents were now working through their solicitors to obtain further information from South Cambs on the position regarding the approvals which had been given by the Planning Department;
- (d) that Cllr Henry Batchelor would reiterate the continuing concerns of residents and the Parish Council to the Planning Department.

### The Old Stack Yard, Mill Green

REPORTED: that no further information had been received on the enforcement action being taken by the Planning Department although it had been stated it at the Combined Parishes Meeting it would be provided.

### Tennis Court, Shudy Camps Park

REPORTED: that South Cambs had been informed that the Parish Council had no further information to offer on the application for a Certificate of Lawful Development for the tennis court. (S/3190/19/LD).

## 8. STREET LIGHTING ENERGY SUPPLY

REPORTED: the quotations for a fixed annual cost for the supply of electricity to the parish street lights obtained by Utility Aid for the 4 year period ending 30 September 2023.

NOTED: that the cheapest quotation was nearly 50% higher than the last amount paid to Cambridgeshire County Council for the supply of electricity in 2017-18.

RESOLVED: that the matter be raised at the next Combined Parishes Meeting to ascertain the quotes other parishes had received and the action they were taking and that investigations be made into securing more energy efficient lighting.

9. RENEWAL OF PARISH INSURANCE POLICY

RESOLVED: that the Parish Insurance Policy with Zurich arranged by Community Action Suffolk be renewed for a 3-year period at the offered premium of £186.73p per annum inclusive of IPT and commission.

10. REPAIRS TO PARISH FOOTPATH MOWER

RESOLVED: to authorise an estimate being obtained from Gog Magog Mower Services for repairs required to the Parish Mower and reported to the next meeting.

JUBILEE GREEN- APPLICATION FOR VILLAGE GREEN STATUS

11. NOTED: that it had not yet been possible to progress the application further.

CAMBRIDGE SOUTH EAST TRANSPORT BETTER PUBLIC TRANSPORT CONSULTATION

12. RESOLVED: not to make a collective response to this consultation.

CAMBRIDGE CLIMATE EMERGENCY- INVITATION TO NOMINATE A REPRESENTATIVE

13. RESOLVED: that CCE be given a generic e-mail address for the Parish Council for the receipt of information, but not to nominate a representative.

CAMBRIDGESHIRE AND PETERBOROUGH AGAINST SCAMS PARTNERSHIP (CAPASP)

14. RESOLVED: that the Parish Council affiliate to this organisation and the organisers be informed accordingly.

KEEP BRITAIN TIDY "WE'RE WATCHING YOU" WINTER ANTI-DOG FOULING CAMPAIGN

15. NOTED: the cost of the anti-dog fouling resources offered by this campaign.

16. RESOLVED: that a quotation be obtained for providing metal boot scrapers on footpaths and reported back to the Council.

REQUEST FOR FUNDING- EAST ANGLIA'S CHILDRENS' HOSPICES

17. RESOLVED: that consideration of the request be deferred until the end of the Financial Year then reviewed in the light of other requests for funding from the Council.

## OCTOBER 2019 REPORTS FROM COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

### County Council

18. NOTED:

- (a) the 4 November closing date for the consultation of the P&R Site near FourWentWays, to which Parish Councils had been encouraged to respond;
- (b) the Highways Department Open Day at Whittlesford Depot on 31 October, to which it was hoped Parish Councils would send a representative;
- (c) the County Council had set up a steering group with local District Councils to provide input into three potential large developments near the A505 in the Duxford area;
- (d) options under consideration for routing of the East-West rail link into Cambridge, included a route south of the city which if adopted would have a significant impact on south-east Cambridgeshire;
- (e) that the new A14 Huntingdon bypass was expected to open a year early before Christmas 2019.

### District Council

19. NOTED:

- (a) that a top up of £49,000 had been made to S Cambs Community Chest funds to which community groups were encouraged to respond;
- (b) the current position on the planning application for 55 houses in Bartlow Road, Linton;
- (c) the consultation being carried out by S. Cambs on its 5 year land supply calculations.

### FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

20. NOTED: that representatives of the Council would attend the Cambridgeshire Local Councils Conference in Huntingdon on 8 November and next Combined Parishes Meeting in Balsham on 22 October.

### NEXT MEETING

21. AGREED: that the next meeting be arranged for early December.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.10pm.