



SHIPSTON-ON-STOUR TOWN COUNCIL Minutes

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June 18th 2012 Minutes

Action

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Shipston on Stour Town Council held in Clark House, Shipston on Stour at 7.00pm on Monday 18th June, 2012

Those Present:-

Town Councillors: Cllr F Ivens, Cllr I Cooper, Cllr A Ivens, Cllr R Munden, Cllr V Murphy, Cllr. A Noyce, Cllr P Rathkey, Cllr M Trapp, Cllr P Vial, Cllr J Warner, Cllr M Wildish

Press: 0

Public: 0

Introduction

The Town Mayor, Cllr. Mrs Fay Ivens, welcomed Town Council members, the press, and the public to the additional July meeting of Shipston on Stour Town Council.

1. **Apologies for absence** – none received

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3. **Declarations of Interest**

Item 6 – Cllr. Warner

4. **Planning Matters**

• NEW PLANNING APPLICATIONS

12/01183/TREE – Sundown, Darlingscote Road – T1, T2: Hazel – to fell

Following discussion Cllr. Vial proposed that STC make no representations, seconded Cllr. Trapp – **vote – 9 for, 2 against – motion carried**

• PLANNING DECISIONS BY DISTRICT OR COUNTY COUNCIL

No decisions received

5. **Street Lighting**
 The Town Mayor introduced a letter from WCC referring to changing that will be made to the times street lights will be switched on; referring to the plan she explained that street lights marked in green were either on main roads or adjacent to senior citizen homes, would remain on throughout the night, whilst those marked in red in residential areas would be switched off at midnight. Cllr. Trapp stated that she was unhappy with the new plan, asking if lights could remain on at Berry Close, she also considered that 12 midnight was too early and would prefer lights to remain on until 1.00 pm. Other points raised during discussion included: a request for lights to remain on longer on the evening of the Proms; it was considered that public safety would be put at risk if lights are switched off; what would the costs for changing time switches would be, against the savings in electric; could the lights be switched off at 1.00 am instead of 12 midnight. Cllr. Rathkey proposed that a strong letter of objection, totally opposing the change in street light times be send to WCC in response to their letter, seconded Cllr. Ivens – **vote – 10 for, 1 against – motion carried** Cllr. F Ivens volunteered to draft the letter.

6. **Invitation to meet with Budgens**
 The Mayor invited comments on the invitation to meet with Budgens. Following discussion Cllr. Cooper proposed that the invitation be accepted, but that it should be made clear that the meeting is to hear their ideas, seconded Cllr. Vial – **vote – 5 for, 6 against – motion failed**

7. **Staffing Working Group**
 Cllr Rathkey introduced his report:

- All items were confidential staffing matters; notes will be kept, but not reported in public minutes.

Finale
 The Town Mayor noted that the next meeting will be held on Monday 9th July, 2012 in New Clark House commencing at 7.00pm.

The Town Mayor thanked the press and public for their attendance and closed the meeting at 10.30 pm.

Signed..... Date.....

Councillor Mrs F Ivens
 Town Mayor
 Shipston on Stour Town Council