

SHIPSTON-ON-STOUR TOWN COUNCIL Minutes



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	<p><u>June 9th 2014 Minutes</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Minutes of a General Meeting of Shipston on Stour Town Council held in Clark House, Shipston on Stour at 7.00pm on Monday 9th June, 2014</u></p> <p><u>Those Present:-</u> Town Cllrs: P. Vial, I Cooper, M Ferrier, B Healey, A Ivens, F Ivens, V Murphy, P Rathkey, S Saunders, D Scobie, M Trapp, J Warner</p> <p>SDC: Cllrs Cheney, Kenner Press: 2 Public: 1</p> <p><u>Introduction</u> The Town Mayor, Cllr. Philip Vial, welcomed Town Council members, the press, and the public to the June Meeting of Shipston on Stour Town Council.</p> <p>1 <u>Apologies for absence</u> – Cllr R Munden</p> <p>2 Cllr Trapp proposed that apologies be accepted, seconded Cllr Murphy – unanimously agreed</p> <p>3 <u>Declarations of Interest</u> Item 9 Sports Club Planning Application and Item 11 – quotes for Sports Club – Cllr Murphy Item 12 – Business support – Cllr Cooper</p> <p>Cllr Murphy proposed that the meeting be closed to press and public to discuss a confidential staffing matter – Item 15 Staffing, seconded Cllr Rathkey – unanimously agreed</p> <p>4 <u>Previous minutes</u> Cllr Warner proposed that the minutes of the meeting of May 12th be accepted as a true and accurate record, seconded Cllr Ferrier – vote – 10 for, 2 abstentions – motion carried Following discussion on a motion to issue unconfirmed minutes, Cllr Vial proposed an amended proposal that: : Shipston Town Council should from the July 2014 meeting publish the unapproved minutes of STC meetings no more than 7 working days after the meeting. These to be published on the Town Council web site and from there accessible to all residents of the town. These minutes will subsequently be replaced by approved minutes following the subsequent town council meeting, seconded Cllr Ferrier – vote – 10 for, 2 abstentions – motion carried</p> <p>5 <u>Clerk's Report</u> – additional items reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No longer a waiting list for allotments – two free allotments at New Street and 3 at Shoulderway Lane, but there are some drainage problems to be resolved. • Queen's Speech was to include legal protection for good deeds carried out i.e. snow clearance <p>6 <u>Reports</u> <u>Town Councillors</u> Cllr Murphy - attended Wool Fair and opening of the new Shipston Heritage Centre, a great success for the town, 27 shawls knitted by local residents were handed to the charity. Attended Community Forum for the past 4 years and asked if cllrs could attend to ensure continuity, Cllr Warner will attend. Cllr F Ivens – Congratulated the Wool Fair committee on another successful event, attended the Flood Forum and Dementia meeting. Cllr Ferrier – pleased that the open space area in Donnington Road had been cleared by Orbit, who have responsibility for maintenance. Cllr Saunders – was concerned that parents had been contacted by text message from the primary school when a traffic warden was in the area around the school.</p>	

Cllr. A Ivens – monthly play area inspection and litter pick.

Cllr. J Warner – attended her first meeting as STC representative at the Youth Club, they passed on their thanks for the recent STC grant, there are 95 children attending the club each week and noted a variety of summer activities during the school holiday. Also attended the YFA meeting and noted that as from 23rd June Co-op will own the post office.

Cllr. P Vial – attended various functions and Civic events representing STC. Attended a meeting arranged by Cllr Saint with the Chief Fire Officer to discuss the YFA concerns about the continuance of the group. Alternatives have been offered but, discussions are ongoing, campaigning continues.

County Council Cllr. Saint – unable to attend

District Council

SDC – Cllr. Cheney

- 25th June – Banner planning appeal will be heard at Elizabeth House
- It is likely that the Orbit appeal for the London Road application will be heard as well as the ASL application for 215 houses on the same date.
- 8th July – Planning Enquiry for ASL's 1st application including supermarket – two week period
- The Core Strategy recently passed by SDC is now in a six week technical consultation
- Attended the YFA meeting as chair of Shipston Youth Club, some ideas are being explored

SDC – Cllr. Kenner

- Core Strategy – commented on 3 items that would not be beneficial to Shipston
 1. Choice of Gaydon/Lighthorn rather than Long Marston, impact on education provision
 2. Retail policy – no Shipston friendly
 3. No need for medical centre identified in the documentThe consultation includes comments on infrastructure
- Concerned that there is no anti-poverty strategy in SDC – work should be done on this
- Planning – opposes ASL's second application, supports their first application
- Objects to the Planning Enquiry on the ASL applications being held at Ettington, it should be at the Townsend Hall to allow local participation.

Questions for SDC Cllrs:

Cllr Healey – who makes decisions on allocation of social housing in Shipston, giving examples of those in need and those given housing with no apparent local connection?

Cllr Cheney – allocated by SDC Cllr Kenner – noted SDC has to meet housing need across the district Following discussion the clerk was asked to invite SDC officer – Martin Cowan to a future meeting.

Cllr Ferrier asked how STC can comment on the Core Strategy.

Cllr Vial noted that the planning group meeting will discuss an STC response to the Core Strategy
Cllr Cooper - who put the priorities listed together? RC – noted that this was from past consultations

Safety Neighbourhood Team (Police)

Newsletter at: <http://www.safer-neighbourhoods.co.uk/your-neighbourhood/stratford-district/shipston/newsletter/>

Shipston Forum

Forum Editor reported:

- Lead story on Co-op purchase of Post Office
- Back page will be for "Fishing and Frolics"
- Working on a list of children's activities for the holiday

Discussion on the Anne Sankey award – it was agreed that Clerk should write again to the Sankey family – add item to July agenda.

7 Open Forum for Parishioners

Mrs Kiely complained that you now have to apply on line for social housing allocation and noted that there was a large pothole in Berry Avenue next to numbers 17 and 19.

8 Neighbourhood Plan (NP)

Cllr Cooper noted that the plan is progressing well, the topic groups are working on their areas. The group would like to place an advert in the Forum asking residents to respond to an online questionnaire/survey, there will also be a leaflet or insert in the Midweek news.

9 Planning Matters

NEW PLANNING APPLICATIONS – discussed at Planning Working Group meeting - *These applications discussed by the Planning Working Group actioned using standing order: Section 3b(xv)*

- 14/01184/FUL – 17 Pound Close – Installation of 2 log cabins **Recommendation: No representation**
- 14/01095/FUL – Shipston High School – temporary classrooms **Rec: Support – meeting social needs**
- 14/01199/FUL – Stableyard, London Road – Conservatory **Recommendation: No representation**

Cllr Vial proposed to accept PWG recommendation, second Cllr Healey – **unanimously agreed**

NEW PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- 14/01339/FUL – 28 Manor Lane – single storey rear extension, 2 storey side extension and porch
 - 14/01512TREE – 6 High Street – T1 Holly – prune; T2 Yew – prune
- Cllr Vial proposed no representation to both plans, seconded Cllr Healey – **unanimously agreed**
- 1400875/FUL – The Stables, Stratford Road – amendment FOR INFORMATION ONLY

PLANNING DECISIONS BY DISTRICT OR COUNTY COUNCIL

- 14/00803/FUL – 2 Greenway Close – single storey side and rear extension – perm. with conditions
- 14.00185/FUL – IMI Norgren Site – Drainage system – permission with conditions

PLANNING APPEAL – INFORMAL HEARING at Elizabeth House

- 13/02571/OUT – Land south of Campden Road (Banner Homes) – 25th June at 10am – BH attending

OTHER PLANNING MATTERS

- Committee date (15th May) for the reserved matters on Norgren Site
 - Letter re: 14/00215/FUL – Mount Farm
 - Request from London Road Sports Club, that STC submit planning application on their behalf
- Recommendation: Agree to request – but Sports Club to reimburse STC

Cllr Vial proposed that the recommendation be accepted, seconded Cllr Healey – **motion carried**

NEXT PLANNING WORKING GROUP MEETING - 23rd June – this will be a full council meeting

10 **Sustainability Working Group**

Cllr Ferrier gave an update, the group is working with the NP infrastructure group to audit and identify what is wanted as opposed to what is listed in the Core Strategy.

11 **General Purposes Working Group**

1. Following discussion about three quotes received for necessary works to a wall in the kitchen at the Sports Club, Cllr Healey proposed that the quote from PC Property be accepted, seconded Cllr Scobie – **vote – 11 for, 1 abstention – motion carried**
2. The infants area at Shipston Sports Club Play Area has now been resurfaced with Notts Sports Childsplay and the worn areas around the slide, multi-unit and roundabout have been repaired with wet pour including filling gaps around the edges. The contractor also repaired wet pour at Hawthorn Way free of charge. GPWG have not inspected repairs, but will do so this week.
3. A dog bin will be placed at Springhill on Stratford Road in response to residents requests
4. A hedge adjacent to the Rugby Club will be cut down in height at the end of the nesting season in response to a request from the resident affected.
5. Two “no dogs allowed” signs will be purchased and placed at the Sports Club at London Road.

12 **Finance Group**

End of year accounts – FWG will review the accounts and internal audit report at their meeting on 16th June, Cllr Cooper proposed that FWG be given delegated authority to approve the accounts, financial risk assessment and audit report, seconded Cllr Vial – **unanimously agreed**

Support for Business Centre – Cllr Cooper gave an explanation of the need for matched funding to support the SEC, following discussion Cllr Scobie proposed that SEC be granted £5,000 towards funding for a centre manager and running costs, it was noted that a report should be submitted by the SEC at the end of the six month period showing how the funding has been spent and demonstrating value for money, seconded Cllr Vial – **vote – 8 for, 2 against, 2 abstentions – motion carried**

14 **Financial Matters**

Cllr A Ivens proposed that all invoices be paid, seconded Cllr Ferrier – unanimously agreed

15 **Correspondence** - No matters raised

Finale

The Town Mayor noted that the next meeting will be held on Monday 14th July, 2014 in New Clark House commencing at 7.00 pm.

The Town Mayor thanked fellow councillors, press and public for their attendance and closed the meeting to press and public at 8.23 pm in order to discuss confidential staffing matters, minutes will be recorded but not included here.

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

Councillor Philip Vial
Town Mayor
Shipston on Stour Town Council