

SHIPDHAM PARISH COUNCIL

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PARISH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

11 April 2011

AT 7.30

Venue: WI Hall, Shipdham

Present:

Councillors Paul Chubbock (Chair), Michael Shelly, Paul Hewett, Joanne Kidd, Bill Fawcett, Robert Parfitt, Peter Dodd, Mark Crane, Sylvia Tuck, David Hill

22 members of the public

Apologies for Absence

Apology for absence was received from Marlene Secker

Cllr Chubbock opened the meeting by asking everyone to send their condolences to Marlene Secker on the recent sudden death of her husband Bobby. A sympathy card signed by all has been sent on behalf of the council.

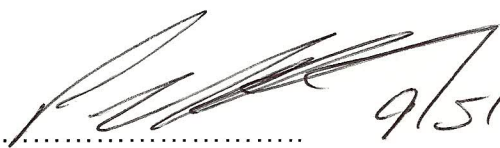
The Chair then welcomed Amy East from Active Norfolk Project to the meeting.

Item	Subject	ACTION
1	Parishioners' Comments A question was asked about a hedge that had been planted along the edge of Mr Leonard's field where he had proposed development, will debar the land being used for anything else as it had effectively closed off access to the land. Could anything be done by the council? The Chair said that there was nothing the council could do apart from making a note of what had been done. It was reported that lamppost No: 84 in Meadow Close was on during the day and off at night, also could the lights in Parklands Avenue be turned back on at night as it was causing problems for the residents. The matters would be reported to Norfolk County Council for resolution.	Parish Clerk
2	Village Games Amy East from Active Norfolk was invited to address the meeting concerning Sports Taster Road shows. Money was available to support the encouragement of sporting activities in the village. There was a possibility of coordinating this project with the village fete on 29 th August. There was funding available for Coaching Bursaries up to 75% of the coaching training. There would be a competition on the 19 th June 2011 for small, medium and large	

	favour for the quotes to be accepted.	Clerk
7	<p>Finance</p> <p>Payment of invoices and expenses for March was approved. The Chair highlighted the payments for the village sign repair of £180 and £91.23 to Cllr Rob Parfitt for setting up of the village website.</p> <p>Cllr Paul Hewett presented 2 invoices he had received, one for immediate payment of a gas bill which was incurring late payment charges, and another for membership of the NALC. It was suggested to send the payment of the gas bill less the late payment charge of £40. A cheque for £279 for the membership of the NALC was to be sent.</p>	Parish Clerk
8	<p>Planning</p> <p>An application was received from Breckland Council concerning the development of Irwin Cottage. This was not recommended due to the closeness to a bend in the road and the age of the property. The Hedge Farm development resubmission was passed.</p> <p>The Sunny view application was not recommended due to it being nearer and visible from the road, and that it was the same size as the other turbines.</p> <p>73, Bradenham Road development was passed without comment. Glebe House was commented on that it was very near a bend in the road which could cause problems of access. On the vote, 4 for and 2 against, the application was passed.</p> <p>Cllr Parfitt declared an interest as this was a family development. The Chairman then closed the meeting to allow Cllr Parfitt to inform us about the development and to answer any questions or queries. Cllr Parfitt gave a breakdown of the development of the Cricket Players, Old Post Office Street for 35 houses. 20 houses within the settlement area with another 15 outside on green field land. Cllr Parfitt left the room and the chairman re-opened the meeting. After much discussion at which Cllr David Hill suggested 20 houses initially with more at a later date. Proposed by Cllr Sylvia Tuck that partial development within settlement area, with a children's reinforced crossing. On the vote for supporting 20 homes within the settlement area, 4 in favour, with 3 abstained, no votes against. But for the application for 35 houses, not recommended.</p>	Parish Clerk
9	<p>Members Items</p> <p>a. Bullock Park – AGM to take place on 12th May. A project to refurbish the field was being looked into, the cost to be £5-6,000. Zumba classes to be started on Wednesday nights. A few spare nights a still available to societies to book. The Shipdham RBL was thanked for the picnic tables being installed at the Park. Shipdham cricket club will be participating in the John Dewing Cup at Bradenham on the 16th April. Thanks were forwarded to Mrs Eagling for raising £153 for Bullock Park, a thank you letter is being sent.</p> <p>b. Recreation Project – Virtually complete, fence protecting children from the farm road to be installed, area being cleaned up. Some lampposts had been turned around; Cllr</p>	<p>Cllr Dodd</p> <p>Cllr Chubbock</p>

	<p>requested, Cllr Hewett was to speak to Breckland. The lamppost in the subject footpath had its electricity cover removed. Cllr Chubbock undertook to repair the problem. Chair informed the meeting that Mrs Fawcett who stood-in as temporary clerk for this meeting refused payment but did agree to the funds being donated to the Shipdham Royal British Legion Charity.</p>	<p>Cllr Hewett Cllr Chubbock</p> <p>Parish Clerk</p>
9	<p>Date and venue for next meeting The next ordinary Council meeting will be 9th May 2011, 7.30 pm at the WI Hall, which will be the AGM with the new Parish Council.</p>	

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