



# SHAROW PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of a Parish Council Meeting

**DATE:** Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2019  
**TIME:** 7.45pm  
**LOCATION:** Sharow Village Hall  
**PRESENT:** Councillors Robert Forber (Chair), Kim Dodd, Christopher Gilbert, Ruth Mason, Jonathan Webb  
**CLERK:** Nick Reed (minutes)  
**IN ATTENDANCE:** County Cllr Robert Windass (8.15-9.15pm)

19.14	<b>Declarations of interest in agenda items</b> There were none
19.15	<b>Apologies</b> Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Alison da Costa.
19.16	<b>Minutes of the last meeting</b> These were ACCEPTED as a true record of the 20 <sup>th</sup> May meeting and signed as such by the Chair.
19.17 19.171	<b>Ongoing issues from minutes</b> (not covered elsewhere on the agenda) <b>Play area bin:</b> The Clerk reported that Harrogate BC could install a bin within the play area but do not have the capacity to empty it. HBC may however be willing to service a wheelie bin placed on the corner of the path, the play area, and the Berrygate Lane hedge, for a small consideration (iro £10-15pcm). The council RESOLVED to accept a serviced wheelie bin at that price or lower. <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Action: Clerk to pursue</i></p>
19.18	<b>Questions / comments from members of the public</b> There were none
19.19	<b>County / District councillors' reports</b> County Cllr Windass reported that North Yorkshire CC was "pretty quiet" during the summer months. He reported that the post-16 home-school transport consultation is generating many responses, and that many roads around the county are receiving overdue surface upgrades in preparation for the UCI Road World Cycling Championships in September.
19.23 (taken early)	<b>NYCC Locality Budgets</b> The council RESOLVED to accept a grant of £2,000 from the NYCC Localities Fund towards the purchase of a ride-on lawnmower for Sharow Cricket Club. This is on the grounds that the Cricket Club currently does not have a bank account into which the money could be transferred, and there would be an ongoing benefit to the parish council in no longer having to financially support grasscutting on the recreation ground, other than a small annual payment for fuel. <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Action: Clerk to inform NYCC</i></p>
19.20	<b>Financial statement and approvals for payment</b> The Council RESOLVED to approve the following payments: Clerk's wages June and July; Clerk's expenses and training qtr 1 £235.81; Autela Group Ltd (payroll admin qtr 1) £39.23; Morgan's estate Management (play area maintenance) £115.50; Sharow Cricket Club (purchase of mower from NYCC grant, see above) £2,000.00; Mrs P. Gilbert (purchase of temporary play area waste bin) £13.00; TC Landscapes (play area balance) £48.33; and Sharow Village Hall (room hire) £30.00. The cash book balance after these movements was noted as being £1,732.50, with the £2,000 incoming grant from NYCC pending (see above).



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<b>19.21</b>	<p><b>Parish Maintenance</b></p> <p>Following representations from parishioners, the council considered the state of the pavement on the north side of Dishforth Road, between Sharow Cross and the houses next to the new car park. While noting per discussions <i>passim</i> and the report of January 2017 that there are serious long-term issues with the pavement, the council RESOLVED to ask the play area maintenance contractor on a one-off basis to clear overhanging hedges and vegetation to allow free passage along this pavement, especially for wheelchair users and those with prams / pushchairs.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><i>Action: Clerk to contact contractors; Clerk to contact Church Commissioners, as owners of the recreation ground and the field to the west of it, to remind them of their responsibilities</i></b></p> <p>The council further noted that the footpath forming the continuation of Sharow Lane to the east was seriously overgrown with hawthorn and holly.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b><i>Action: Clerk to report to NYCC Highways</i></b></p>
<b>19.22</b>	<p><b>Development at Dishforth Road / New Road</b></p> <p>The council NOTED that Harrogate BC's Planning Committee on 4<sup>th</sup> June had deferred a decision on the application, on the grounds on design and layout. Since then councillors had met informally with the developers, who suggest that they will re-apply with 60 units instead of 66/69, and a more "rural" feel, involving more sympathetic views approaching the development from the east and better use of public open space. The Clerk reported that HBC Planning were to put a condition on any successful application requiring the developers to undertake a traffic management plan with a view to achieving a pavement along the south side of Dishforth Road between Fairlawns and New Road. NYCC Highways are sympathetic to this, while currently opposed to pavement plans, but are unwavering in their assertion that the extra vehicles generated by the development were manageable within the existing highways structure. The Council RESOLVED that it approved of the direction of travel on this application, and that it looked forward to seeing a full scheme in due course.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b><i>Action: Clerk to maintain contact with HBC Planning and NYCC Highways</i></b></p>
<b>19.24</b>	<p><b>Planning applications and decisions</b></p> <p>Applications: There were none to consider Decisions / Enforcements: There were none to note</p>
<b>19.25</b>	<p><b>Correspondence</b></p> <p>19.251 NCC Highways: apologising for the slow progress of cleaning out the blocked gullies on New Road 19.252 PKF Littlejohn: noting that they have received and logged the council's notification of exempt status for the financial 2018-19. 19.253 Three MoP: separate comments about snagging issues at the play area. <i>[Clerk's note; these have now been addressed by the play area contractors and parish maintenance contractor.]</i> 19.254 St John's PCC Churchwardens: Noting that the defibrillator is now fitted and suggesting a training session for councillors and other interested people within the parish. Several councillors expressed interest in undertaking this training.</p>

The meeting closed at 9.35pm.

These minutes were recorded and prepared by Nick Reed, Clerk to the Council.

**SIGNED:** ..... (Chair)

**DATE:** .....