



# SHAROW PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of a Parish Council Meeting

**DATE:** Monday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2022  
**TIME:** 7.00pm  
**LOCATION:** Sharow Village Hall  
**PRESENT:** Councillors Kim Dodd (Chairing), Alison da Costa, Chris Gilbert, Paul Humberstone, Ruth Mason  
**CLERK:** Nick Reed (minutes)  
**IN ATTENDANCE:** Three members of the public (MoP)

21.50	<b>Declarations of interest</b> and requests for dispensation There were none
21.51	<b>Apologies</b> and reasons for absence Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Robert Forber and Chris Thomson
21.52	<b>Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> November</b> The minutes were APPROVED as a true record of the meeting and signed as such by the Chair.
21.53 21.531 21.532	<b>Ongoing issue from minutes</b> not related to other agenda items <b>New Road development</b> – The Clerk reported that V&A Homes are not yet ready to submit an application for the revisions necessary, the process having been delayed by their plan to accommodate biodiversity net gain objectives. This requires further adjustment to the layout and the landscape and ecology inputs, and they anticipate an application being submitted in February / March. <b>Half Moon pub</b> – Cllr da Costa reported that the working group has already met in 2022, further developing plans to lease the building as a pub, shop, café and community hub, possibly with a holiday let on the first floor. There would be a community consultation in the next few weeks. Several working group members had attended a Plunkett Foundation event at the Green Dragon in Exelby, which is an exemplar of the type of community hub they would wish the Half Moon to become. The group continues to receive helpful advice from Pub is the Hub, CAMRA and V&A Homes on a pro bono basis. The Clerk added that the re-application for Asset of Community Value status has been delayed, with a new deadline of 4 <sup>th</sup> February for a decision. Finally, the Council considered the appointment of two councillors to a “crossover working group” along with two working group members and the Clerk, and RESOLVED to appoint Cllrs da Costa and (if amenable) Thomson
21.54	<b>Questions or comments from members of the public</b> not related to other agenda items John Bushell (MoP) read the following tribute to John Irvin, who died on 11 <sup>th</sup> December 2021 at the age of 92. Mr Irvin had been a member of Sharow Parish Council for 28 years and Chair for 15: “In his early days on the Council John Irvin was part of the group that oversaw the move from joint to individual councils across the neighbouring villages. John was influential in representing the village and he was proud of achieving many improvements, including the introduction of the 30mph speed limit, down from 40 mph, together with the first speed reduction road surface markings. John also instigated footpath improvements and signage as well as better lighting in parts of the village. “John was particularly instrumental in the building of the Sports and Social Club and the Village Hall, with the support of Sue and Brian Thorpe, Tina Simpkin, Sue Mitchell, and others. Many will also recall the fund-raising events that took place at Sharow Hall with the kind cooperation of Charles Lucas, with which John was involved. John continued as Chair of the Club and the Village Hall Committee until 2016 and was largely responsible for obtaining grants to enable extensions to provide showers and changing facilities for the Cricket Club. He was also involved in the early discussions with Harrogate Borough Council regarding the provision of a playground for the village. “John survived two life threatening incidents, one when he was knocked down by a tractor trailer and left lying badly injured on New Road, and more recently when a car careered from Berrygate Lane, across Dishforth Road, and ended up embedded in the sitting room wall of John and Joyce’s bungalow, whilst they were sitting in their lounge. This resulted in a prolonged stay in the Spa Hotel. John will be

	<p>remembered as a person who worked very hard within the village and as a very determined individual, always staunchly supported by his late wife Joyce.</p> <p>“John was always concerned for the welfare of elderly and lonely members of the community. I am very grateful for memories from Rosemary Triffitt in helping me to compile this tribute. At his funeral in Harrogate on the 4<sup>th</sup> of January a number of former members of the Parish Council, together with family and friends, were in attendance.”</p> <p>The Council RESOLVED to place on record its gratitude for John Irvin’s life and work within the parish.</p>
<b>21.55</b>	<p><b>Reports from district / county councillors</b></p> <p>There were none.</p>
<b>21.56</b>	<p><b>Planning applications and decisions</b></p> <p>The Council considered 21/005265/FUL for the formation of an outdoor menage within existing paddocks at land North and West of Crosslands, Dishforth Road, and RESOLVED that it has no objection to this application.</p> <p>The Council NOTED the granting of application 21/04487/FUL for a side extension at Sharow Grove, and an enforcement issue regarding a potential breach of planning conditions regarding root protection at Greenacres, Sharow Lane.</p>
<b>21.57</b>	<p><b>Financial statement and approvals for payment</b></p> <p>The Council RESOLVED to approve the following payments: Parish Clerk (December/January salary); Parish Clerk (expenses and training qtr 3) £230.25; Autela Payroll Services (payroll admin qtr 2) £43.50+VAT; North Yorkshire County Council (speed survey) £220+VAT; Harrogate Borough Council (annual play area inspection) £60+VAT; YLCA (training courses x4) £120; Citizens Advice Craven and Harrogate (Section 137 grant) £150; and Sharow Village Hall (room hire) £30.</p> <p>The payment agreed between meetings of an £800 Section 137 grant for St John’s Church PCC was noted and retrospectively APPROVED.</p> <p>The Council’s cash book balance following these transactions was NOTED as being £2,358.81.</p>
<b>21.58</b>	<p><b>Correspondence</b></p>
21.581	<b>Harrogate BC:</b> Confirmation of receipt in good order of the Council’s precept requirement for 2022-23.
21.582	<b>St John’s Church:</b> Confirmation that they are aware of the “Yorkshire’s Best Churchyard” competition

The meeting closed at 8.15pm.

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

**DATE:** .....