

Shincliffe Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of Shincliffe Parish Council held in St Mary's Church Hall, Shincliffe Village, Durham at 6.00pm on Thursday 27th February, 2020.

Present: County Councillor Stoker (Chair) Councillors Armstrong, and Wright.

In Attendance: There were no Members of the Public Present.

Item		Action By
1.	<p>Apologies for Absence</p> <p>Apologies for absence were submitted to the meeting on behalf of Councillors Duell, Ferries, Fradgley and Olechnowicz.</p>	
2.	<p>Declarations of Interest</p> <p>There were no declarations on interest.</p>	
3.	<p>Issues Raised by Members of the Public</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An Enquiry from a resident in relation to Shincliffe Village Play Park <p>Councillors referred to Councillor Ferries response to the resident, and extended their thanks for his comprehensive reply.</p>	
4.	<p>Minutes</p> <p>RESOLVED that: the minutes of the meetings held on 16th and 28th January, 2020 be approved as a correct record.</p>	
5.	<p>Matters Arising</p> <p>No issues were raised.</p>	
6.	<p>Crime Update</p> <p>The PCSO had electronically advised that no crime had been reported since the 16th January, 2020.</p>	
7.	<p>Written Correspondence</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Notification of Planning Applications Training (Monday 24th February 2020) 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Notification of PCSO Switch Over to Ashley Boardman • Free Play Area Training Session (Tuesday 21st April 2020) • Campaign to Raise Awareness About Scams Session (Thursday 5th March 2020) • Durham University Infrastructure Improvements Project – Update & Tree Removal Works • Joint Health & Wellbeing Strategy Consultation <p>RESOLVED that: the correspondence (previously circulated) be noted.</p>				
8.	<p>Planning Application</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>DM/20/00088/FPA</td> <td>55 Ancroft Garth High Shincliffe Durham DH1 2UD</td> <td>Single storey front extension and extension to driveway</td> </tr> </table> <p>RESOLVED that: no objection be made in relation to the above planning application.</p>	DM/20/00088/FPA	55 Ancroft Garth High Shincliffe Durham DH1 2UD	Single storey front extension and extension to driveway	
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9.	<p>Horticultural Committee Update</p> <p>Councillor Wright provided the following update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Repair works were to be undertaken to the damaged bench at St. Mary’s Close; • 3000 ‘Shincliffe Parish Walks’ leaflets had been purchased and would be put in the leaflet dispensers; • The Clerk would see if Parish, Paths and Partnerships funding could be sought to contribute to the cost of the leaflets; • The blue and yellow winter pansies had produced a beautiful display; • The planting of hedging at Shincliffe Village Park was now anticipated to take place in November, with an order being placed in August; and • Details of the new Annual Garden Competition had been published in SCAN. 	Clerk			
10.	Durham AAP (Funding Opportunities)				

	<p>The Clerk referred to the information previously circulated in relation to the Durham AAP Small Grant Fund.</p> <p>It was suggested that the Clerk enquire whether an application could be made to provide for a new printer and also possibly the purchase of a 'Friendly Bench'.</p>	Clerk
11.	<p>Rat Run and Speeding</p> <p>Councillors acknowledged the various 'rat run' and speeding issues around the Parish.</p> <p>Given the ongoing problems, it was suggested that signatures requesting a response from Highways could be useful to highlight public concerns.</p> <p>It was agreed that this would be considered again, at the next meeting.</p>	
12.	<p>Friendly Benches</p> <p>Councillor Duell had liaised with Betty Bees who were supportive of the idea of a 'Friendly Table' inside the coffee shop on a Tuesday morning, for those who may feel lonely or isolated, to join others for refreshments and a chat.</p> <p>The Clerk advised that she would publish this in the next edition of Scan.</p> <p>Once the weather permitted, consideration would be given to a 'Friendly Bench' outside the coffee shop with potential support from the Parish Council (see item 10 above).</p>	Clerk
13.	<p>Shincliffe Play Park (Standing Item)</p> <p>Councillor Ferries electronically provided the following update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All new equipment was now installed; • Brambledown would arrange the ROSPA safety check in due course; • The £20,000 grant from Impetus Environmental had now been paid to KOMPAN against their supply invoice; • Brambledown had been carrying out tidying up of the site but this had been put on hold for the time being because of the weather. When it resumed, the remaining ground would be levelled and in due course it would be reseeded; 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Once the grant from the Chair's neighbourhood budget was confirmed an order would be issued for the fence to be fitted; The Football Foundation did confirm the grant to purchase new goals and nets. An order would be placed shortly; and The park would need time to recover and for the grass to grow. Although there was a desire to get it reopened as soon as possible, it seemed realistic to consider June as the most likely month. 																																	
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15.	<p>Date of Next Meeting</p> <p>Thursday 26th March, 2020 at 6.00pm (St. Mary's Church Hall)</p>																																	
16.	<p>Any Other Business – Councillors</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Caravan at Foxton Way – Parish Councillors noted that the caravan had still not been removed. Further contact would therefore be made with the Neighbourhood Warden. 	Chair																																

Meeting Terminated at 7.20 pm