



SHALDON PARISH COUNCIL (SPC)

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held at the Methodist Hall on
Tuesday July 28th, 2020 starting 6pm to transact the business below

Extraordinary Shaldon Parish Council Meeting on Tuesday 28th July at 6pm

Attendance: Cllr Tim Biddlestone (Chairman) (TB), Cllr Derek Woodward (DW), Cllr Danielle Westlake (DWest) Cllr Chris Clarence (CC), Cllr Geoff Hobbs (GH) Cllr Tim O Donnell (TOD).

In attendance: The Clerk

1. Apologies: Cllr Andy Burham (Working) Cllr Alistair Dewhurst (Working from home)
2. Please note we do not wish to exclude anyone but as gathering's are still limited with social distancing this is a meeting of a few Councillors just to allow us to continue assisting the village. No Public attended.
3. Declaration of Register of Interests: None
4. Planning applications – see separate minutes.
5. **Update on Beach Lease from TDC:** Six years SPC have been negotiating this Lease, the Clerk advised that the latest from TDC was that a new Solicitor had begun working on it. SPC fully understand that Covid 19 has effected many area's of business but felt that enough was enough therefore the Clerk has been asked to write a Letter to Head Of the Council, Cllr G Hook copying in Cllrs Alan Connett Portfolio Holder for Corporate Resources, Alistair Dewhurst Deputy Leader of the Council, Andrew MacGregor Portfolio Holder for Sports, Recreation & Culture, and Neil Blaney Head Of Place and Commercial Services, Chris Smith Estates Surveyor and Graeme Smith Costal Officer stating that if it is not completed by the end of October 2020 Shaldon Parish Council would no longer wish to continue.
6. **Update on Playground Lease, confirmation from KGV Playground Committee that they will completely take on the administration and responsibilities attached with running this.** (TOD) it is up to SPC to sign the Lease and set up a sub committee much like the Bonfire and Firework Committee who would report back to the Parish Council regarding the Playpark. The Shaldon & Ringmore Playpark Committee have raised funds over the last four years but cannot administer the KGV Playpark, but they are unable to establish further grants due to the park being owned by a District Government Body. This is not a straightforward decision, firstly there is the current state of the equipment, Fortnightly Inspections and Annual Inspections and Risk Assessments all to be considered. (TOD) explained he had negotiated the grass cutting and the emptying of the one bin by



TDC to continue. If nobody does nothing it will just go out of service. We can of course delay the decision. The Council felt they needed a two year get out clause or would TDC consider accepting two new pieces of equipment in the park as the CIL money could assist with this. Clerk - please can we ask the people of Shaldon what they would like to do? SPC agreed to go out to consultation by Parish News entry. (TOD) to ask TDC if an inclusion of a 2-year break clause could be added. Please put back on the next meeting agenda.

7. The Local Electricity Bill's Reintroduction – SPC to support? – No felt its own Community was more important than larger items in Parliament.
8. Signage – Update on Platway Lane, Village and Beach. Platway completed the Parish Council thanked Cllr Derek Woodward for completing this task. Dog beach signs have been ordered to assist with the confusion of where dogs are allowed all year round. Riverside sign ordered to advise motorist of larger vehicles not to follow their Sat Nav.
9. Bins – Three small additional bins purchased – all in place, stickers have been received. Operative advised (CC) he had not been instructed to empty these bins, Clerk to speak with Anna Lang to clarify the situation.
10. Broadband at the Methodist Hall – BT booked for the 12th August Chairman to be available.
11. TDC items – CC – Bench by the playpark Mr Ashton has offered to repaint it – Clerk to speak with the Officer at TDC. Ness Headland Lighting TDC stated their budget will not run to switching them on this year – ridiculous CC to email on behalf of the Parish Council – Top Ness Headland Foliage so high the view from the beauty spot is totally obscured. – Paint for the telephone box Clerk has dealt with – Potholes please can everyone use the *report it* on the DCC site first, and if no joy, email the Clerk at spc.org@hotmail.co.uk.
12. Next full Parish Council meeting September 22nd 2020 at the Methodist Hall.