

ORCHESTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

HELD AT ORCHESTON VILLAGE HALL

on 21 JANUARY 2019 at 7:00pm

Present:

Sam Shepherd	Chairman
Carol Cole	Councillor
Christopher Coats	Councillor
Tim O'Keefe	Councillor
Maureen Harnett	Councillor

In attendance:

John Badgery	Clerk to the Council
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Apologies:

Bryan Wright	Vice Chairman
Richard Ceaser	Councillor

BUDGET MEETING

49. A potential Precept had been circulated. Expenditure for 2018 – 2019 had been very much as expected. A new cost to the council was the subscription to the Information Commissioner's Office. Because we always have £200 in "Contingency" and had allowed £100 for playground repairs, there was an underspend. At the end of this financial year we expect to have £1958 in reserve (see Minute 54 below)

50. The overall projected spend is more than for this year but again it includes a contingency and an allowance for playground repairs – it is likely that neither of these will be needed. Payments to the ICO will continue.

51. Following discussion it was proposed that the 2019-2020 Precept should be £2250. This was carried unanimously. The tax base is 108.54 Band D equivalents, therefore the Band D charge would be £20.73.

The Clerk was therefore directed to submit a Precept requirement for £2250 for 2019/20.

COUNCIL IN INFORMAL SESSION

52. No members of the public were present.

COUNCIL IN FORMAL SESSION

53. **Approval of the minutes of the meeting held on 19 November 2018.** The minutes of the meeting held on 19 November 2018 had been circulated and were signed as a true record.

54. **Matters arising from the Minutes.**

Bins Shrewton PC no longer has any spare bins. They cost £58.80 from Broxap but emptying in Shrewton costs £171 every 3 months. Following discussion it was decided to purchase one bin to be placed at the bridge at Stonehenge Touring Park. No commercial emptying contract would be entered.

Register of Interests Cllr O'Keefe had entered his details on the Wiltshire Council Register of Interests.

55. **Declaration of interests.** No councillors declared any interests.

56. **Chairman's Report.** The Chairman had not attended any external meetings and had nothing to report..
57. **Councillors' Reports.** Cllr Coats reported on the A303 Local Community Forum – his main interest was the accessibility of footpaths from surrounding villages to the World Heritage Site. Individuals can offer views on the consultation website: <https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk> : go to the tab for Projects and scroll down. Cllr Harnett reported that the Shrewton Recreational Charity was on a major effort to raise funds and were considering what changes were needed to the club building.
58. **Finance and Correspondence.**
- a. Two cheques were issued – Clerk's salary (£160.00), tax on salary (£40.00).
 - b. **Briefing Notes** - the following BNs had been distributed:
BN 373 – Service Devolution
BN 374 Housing Site Allocations
BN 19-01 Special Needs Schools
 - c. **Website Accessibility** - NALC had circulated a briefing on L09-18 The Public Sector Bodies (Websites and Mobile Applications) (No 2) Accessibility Regulations 2018. For our website the regulations come into effect on 23 September 2020.
 - d. **Closure of C291** – Elston Lane will be closed on 6 March 2019 from Orcheston crossroads to its junction with The Hollow to enable Eurovia to carry out carriageway patching, reconstruction, surface dressing road markings and associated works. A notice will be placed on the Village Noticeboard mid-February.
 - e. **Community Engagement Manager** Afternote: Dave Roberts, The CEM has taken redundancy and will leave Wiltshire Council early February.
59. **Standing Agenda Items**
- a. **Planning Applications**
Trees at Mayfields. The notification had been circulated. Councillors understood the need to fell trees but felt they should be replaced: this would be left to the experience and judgement of the tree officers.
Heatherbank No comments had been submitted.
 - b. **Highways and Byways** Nothing to report.
 - c. **Village Maintenance** Cllr Wright would be asked to contact Wiltshire Council to get the drains cleared when he had inspected them. Dog fouling remains a problem particularly for the Parish Steward using a strimmer.
60. Date of next meeting 18 March 2019.

March 2019

S Shepherd Chairman