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**SHELFORD PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held on ZOOM
on Thursday April 8, 2021, at 6.45pm**

Couns. Bev Bingham (Chairman)
Lee Smith, Lesley Churm Simon McLoughlan (A), Heather Miller

 Present were the clerk Mike Elliott and Coun .Kay Cutts, Notts County Council. .

1] Apologies Coun. McLoughlan

**2] Declarations of Interest** There were none

**3] Minutes from the Previous Meeting held on February 24, 2021** were accepted as presented, approved and would be signed by the chairman when appropriate.

**4] Clerk’s Report**

The Government have currently ruled that Zoom meetings cannot be held after May 6 but the situation is still somewhat confusing, because the Government are being taken to court by Hertfordshire County Council who are saying Zoom meetings should continue until September. The Government have said they will not attend the court or contest the request. NALC and the Society of Local Council Clerks are saying firmly that if clerks do not wish to attend live meetings in May they do not have to and action could not be taken against them.

East Midlands Ambulance Service (EMAS) are looking to carry out an inspection of community public access defibrillators in its area and will come back to the council when organised.

**5] Report from the District and County Councilmember**

Coun. Cutts spoke of activities at the County and said a wide range of work was being undertaken, mentioning in particular the fact that in May it was election time to appoint a new council She said two new schools were planned by the authority in West Bridgford, and commented on the HS2, saying that they were awaiting for a report from the Secretary of State to learn of the final plans for it. Coun. Cutts said that the planned improvement to the A614 junction had been agreed.

 The County leader said that the many acts of kindness that had come to the fore during the current situation in the whole of the UK had brought the village UK wide much closer together as a community.

**6] Planning**

 **Rushcliffe Borough Council application**

Variation of Condition 1 of planning permission ref 19/02246/REM to regularise some minor material amendments to the fenestration and external appearance of the houses (windows, cladding, slight variation to the plot orientation.)

Holly Cottage And Lilac Cottage Manor Lane Shelford Nottinghamshire NG12 1EQ

Ref. No: 21/00916/VAR | Received: Fri 19 Mar 2021 | Validated: Mon 22 Mar 2021. Concerns were expressed that the council had not been notified of the proposed changes.

**Rushcliffe Borough Council decision**

App. 20/0318/REM Mr Adrian Kerrison.

Holly Cottage and Lilac Cottage, Manor Lane. Matters reserved for approval of landscaping for the erection of two new dwellings. Approved.

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 **7. Correspondence**

Information Commissioners Officer confirming the council are registered for a further year, to April 2022. Rushcliffe Borough Council wrote confirming 100 per cent rate relief on the village hall, the gross charge of £835 83p being allowed in total as relief.

Keep Britain Tidy Great British Spring Clean for the Million Mile Mission is being organising between May 28 and June 13. The clerk asked for details of any individual litter picking times so these could be submitted to the organisers.

The Ministry of Housing and Local Government wrote in regard to local authority meetings during the present Covid-19 situation. The officer, Luke Hall MP, said he was encouraging councils to provide remote access to their meetings to minimise the need for the public to attend physically until at least June 21 at which point he anticipated all restrictions on indoor gatherings will have been lifted. It was pointed out there was no internet contact at the village hall and the clerk said they would be acting illegally if they did not allow the public to attend their meetings if they wished to. The chairman said they would accept the situation if the clerk felt uneasy attending face to face meetings until later in the year.

Nottingham County Council Minerals Local Plan Adoption statement was to be circulated to all members. Rushcliffe Borough Council provided an electoral list update which showed four new electors and two deletions. The clerk reported information from Eon on a webinar event to look at the financial impact of Renewal Obligation charges.

**8] Environment**

Coun. Churm reported on an individual problem she was experiencing in regard to personal insurance for her property because of a suggestion it was in a flood risk area.

**9] Village Hall**

May 6 election It was confirmed the emergency exit door would be used for electors to leave the building after voting to avoid coming into close contact with others arriving.

**10] Chairman’s report**

The chairman has presented a full report to the parish meeting held immediately before the council meeting. She raised separately the question of the price of picnic tables for the playing field and commented on the high price of some of those available on the market. The clerk urged the council to ensure they purchased a commercial unit and not one designed purely for home garden use. Playing Field: The work to clear the area at the bottom of the playing field is nearing completion and has given us a decent sized area to work with, as mentioned previously we are going to order at least one more picnic bench using the money from Rushcliffe Borough Council. Jayne has kindly researched this and I have sent you all the link to look at the benches, they are expensive so I would welcome your thoughts.

A warm vote of thanks was recorded to Coun. Cutts as this was to be her final meeting as the parish representative on Notts County Council, as she was not standing for re-election in May.

Village Hall: We are continuing to receive enquiries for booking the village hall and indeed some of them, using the outside space will begin next week. In respect of the work we need to carry out I have received one quote so far for the painting of the exterior which is between £600 and £700 , this includes the garden railings. I’m still waiting for the second quote.

**11] Finance**

 Accounts were accepted as the circulated list and agreed to pay.

**12] Next Meeting Date May 4, 2021** The annual parish council meeting 6.30pm limited to 25 minutes to elect the chairman for 2021-22 and approve the accounts.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.45pm.