#### SHELFORD PARISH COUNCIL

# Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held at the village hall on Wednesday May 11, 2022 at 6.00pm

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

Present were the clerk Mike Elliott, Coun Roger Upton Notts County Council and David Simms Rushcliffe Borough Council.

#### 1] Election of Chairman and vice chairman

Coun. Bingham was elected chairman. The position of vice chairman was left over to a further meeting.

- **2] Apologies** Coun. Lee Smith
- 3] Declarations of Interest There were none
- 4] Minutes from the previous meeting held on March 23, 2022 were accepted as presented, approved and signed by the chairman

## 5] Clerk's Report

The clerk said it was now confirmed the village will get another Tour of Britain cycle race visit later this year, on September 8. It is this time a Thursday and not a Saturday. It is not known in the yellow bike emblem used in 2018 will be used again. Organisers said today more will become known of the plans on May 25.

## 6] Report from the District and County Council member

The council were updated on various items on both Nottingham County Council and Rushcliffe Borough Council matters. Coun. Simms said the Borough were supporting the Ukraine people who were in need during the war imposed on them by Russia and welcomed support for their effort.

Coun. Upton spoke on current discussions going ahead in relation to the possibility Nottinghamshire County Council, Nottingham City Council, Derby City Council and Derbyshire County Council negotiating a combined devolution deal. The four councils have been named as pathfinder areas by the Government.

## 7] Correspondence

Agent for MP Ruth Edwards to attend a meeting of the council. No recommendation was put forward. David Dixon accountancy, the Internal auditor. asked if all electronic files relating to the council are copied on a regular basis and held in a secure place and the clerk confirmed they were.

Gallagher Insurance quoted a figure of £1251.44p for cover for the 2022 period.

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Scottish Power. Their figures had a lower standing charge than Eon but were dearer on a unit rate.

- 8] Environment, including Queen's Platinum Anniversary June 2,3,4 and 5. The chairman updated the council on plans for the celebrations for the Queen's Platinum anniversary and said they were going ahead well. Bunting was being arranged and a Street Party was being organised for the Saturday of the four day celebrations period.
- **Village Hall** The meeting agreed on a need to review hire fees for hall use, taking into account the increases being imposed for supply of services including power charges. The clerk was to check on prices at other halls. The clerk said the main insurances firms providing insurance to parish councils were not providing cover for bouncy castle use in a village hall or on adjacent connecting land.

The chairman said she had received a quote in the sum of £375 for some electrical work on the hall and this was accepted.

### 10] Planning

Rushcliffe Borough Council planning decisions

221/00042/ful. Mark Huckerby, raise part of garage roof and provide cladding to part of front elevation. Grant

22/00273/ful David Padget, Kenridge, Shelford Hill, alterations to roofs, alterations to window and door positions and sizes. Insert additional windows, partial recladding of property, construct new front. Grant

## 11] Chairman's report

Coun. Bingham said another year has passed and thankfully we seem to be coming out of the throes of the pandemic and returning to a near normal way of living. That's not to say we have seen the end of this, merely that we are learning to live with it in much the same way as other viruses before it.

As our lives get back to normality, I'm pleased to report that we are now able to look forward to events in the village, the obvious one being the forthcoming celebrations to commemorate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, this being in the form of a street party on Saturday 2nd June which I hope all residents will attend.

We are also lucky to have the Tour of Britain cycling event coming through the Village again on Thursday 8th September, we are waiting to hear whether there will be a "logo" or mascot as we had previously with the Yellow Bikes, so we will keep you informed.

We are also working towards improving the equipment at the playing field to encourage more children and families to use it, therefore we are looking to purchase some new goal

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posts and picnic benches, some of this will be enabled by a donation from our Notts. County Councillor Roger Upton, so many thanks to him for his support.

We continue to be well supported by our local Police Force and especially so by PCSO Dave Wesson who is always available to help with enquiries and very willing to follow up on any concerns that are put to him. His main advice is always to report any incident you may see or have any queries about to the 101 line as this enables events to be logged and acted upon.

I have, just this week been told, that our Clerk Mike Elliott is retiring from many of the Parish Councils that he looks after, thankfully he is keeping Shelford on along with two others which is good news for us as there is a shortage of Clerks which means some Councils may be struggling to keep going, so once again thanks to Mike and his assistant Jayne for all their hard work.

I would also like to thank the other members of the Parish Council for their help and support through the last year.

#### 12] Finance

a) Accounts To Pay were approved as circulated Approval of annual governance statement was unanimously agreed. To authorise and approve accounts for 2021-22. After discussing the financial reports presented by the clerk Members agreed unanimously to accept the financial accounts for 2021-2022.

The council confirmed the appointment of David Dixon as Internal Auditor for 2022-2023.

## 13] Next Meeting Date Wednesday July 13, 2022