

**DRAFT MINUTES** of the **MEETING** of **SILKSTONE PARISH COUNCIL** held on **Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2019** at Silkstone Sports Pavilion.

## **PRESENT**

**Meeting Chaired by:** Cllr Meryl Liddell

**Councillors:** Derek Liddell, Ron Stier, Peter Millar and Richard Leech.

In attendance: Parish Clerk, representative of Sheffield Children's NHS Trust.

## **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

No residents questions so the Chair asked Councillors for issues to be raised.

Cllr Stier raised the issue of the new bridge warning signs being installed on Cone Lane and Ben Bank Road causing major disruption to the footways. No prior notification of the works had been received from BMBC preventing the Council from advising residents.

Cllr Stier also reported issues with six gullies requiring attention on Ben Bank Road and a gully in the dip at the end of Moorend Lane heading towards Hood Green, the latter had to be cleared by one of the residents of the cottages.

Cllr Millar has been asked by residents, to whom the roadway off Cone Lane, at the junction with Ladyroyd belongs. It would appear not to be adopted highway but has been laid out with tarmac some time ago. Cllr Stier believes that the house on the corner arranged for the road to be repaired but it would seem to be a private road not owned by the farm.

Further reports from Cllr Leech of gullies needing cleaning at the bottom of Cone Lane/The Cross and along the A628, notably Silkstone Golf Club. Also a report of the footway breaking away on Manor Park, which may be BMBC responsibility or belong to Noblethorpe Estates. Clerk asked for a photograph of the latter so it can be reported to BMBC.

Cllr Leech also reported that part of the wall at the recently refurbished part of the Waggonway passing point had been pushed over. The stones are still present so should be an easy repair.

Cllr Thompson asked how the Council was going to monitor the building works at Glebe Farm and any possible encroachment onto the Waggonway by building contractors. Councillors to remain vigilant and report any issues to the Clerk.

Cllr D Liddell reported again that the hedge 1 Black Horse Drive was still overgrown and needed attention. Also reported that the woollen animals in Orchard Wood installed in the summer need to be removed.

## **19-154 APOLOGIES**

**RESOLVED** to accept apologies from Cllr Smith.

## **19-155 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

**RESOLVED** to note that Cllr Thompson lives near the planning application for the former garage site and Cllrs M and D Liddell have a family member living next door to the planning application for Woodland View.

**RESOLVED** to note no other declarations of interest from Councillors.

## **19-156 MINUTES**

**RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the Silkstone Parish Council meeting held on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2019 as a true and accurate record. The chair signed the minutes.

## **RESOLVED to note that the Chair suspended Standing Orders at 7.00PM**

## **19-157 SHEFFIELD NHS FOUNDATION TRUST HELICOPTER LANDING**

Mr Ray Trent from Sheffield Children's NHS Foundation Trust presented to Council about the request to land an emergency helicopter on Silkstone Recreation Ground following the withdrawal of permission by BMBC to use Penny Pie Park. Mr Trent explained the nature of the service, covering 'Yorkshire & The Humber' region where 98% of their operations are by road ambulances. However, on occasion it is necessary to land a helicopter, provided by the Children's Air Ambulance charity at no cost to the NHS, to pick up medical staff and supplies based in Dodworth for onward transmission to emergencies.

The 3 years' average number of landings is 18 per year. Since operating the helicopter, there have been no incidents or complaints received; Mr Trent advised Council that the service is one of only six outside the USA which has 'Commission on Accreditation of Medical transport Systems' (CAMTS) awarded.

Cllr Millar asked about incidents; Mr Trent reported that the only issues they come across are dog walkers not putting their dogs on leads when asked to do so by attending ground staff. When a landing is due to take place, staff attend site and set up a perimeter.

Cllr D Liddell asked about potential damage to the football pitch, Mr Trent was confident that virtually no marks would be left by the helicopter; certainly, a road ambulance would cause more damage. Cllr Leech was assured by Mr Trent that there are no 'hot landings' – everything is planned and routine; landing and take-off procedures are slow and deliberate. The engines are shut down after landing and restarted.

The potential issue of noise was raised by Cllr M Liddell; Mr Trent said that they had never received a noise complaint and that the helicopter is most certainly less noisy than an aeroplane.

Cllr Stier said that weekend use would be out of the question given that sports teams play on the pitches on Saturday's and Sunday's. The gate accessing the Recreation Ground would be locked outside these times; therefore, they would need to have a key for medical supplies vehicles to access.

Cllr Leech asked about the times that landings would normally take place; Mr Trent said the earliest is between 7AM – 8AM and that pilots work 12-hour shifts followed by 11 hours enforced leave.

Cllr M Liddell proposed to Council that permission is given for a trial period of 12 months but on the stipulation that use if weekdays only.

Unanimous agreement amongst Councillors.

Cllr M Liddell thanked Mr Trent for his presentation and asked when they proposed to start using the Recreation Ground for landings; Mr Trent advised that they would probably continue to use Penny Pie Park until told they could no longer do so, but that would be a decision for senior management of the Trust.

Clerk to write to the Trust granting permission with stipulations as agreed by Council.

### **RESOLVED to note that the Chair reinstated Standing Orders at 7.34PM**

### **19-158 PLANNING APPLICATIONS FROM BARNSELY MBC**

**RESOLVED** to record no comment against the following applications.

2019/1092	Erection of single storey and rear extension and erection of outbuilding at 1 Woodland View, Silkstone Common, S75 4SA. (see also 2019/0827)
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2019/1164	Single storey front porch extension to dwelling – 7 Hall Royd Walk, Silkstone Common, S75 4QA.
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**RESOLVED** to raise points of challenge against the following application based upon road safety concerns, additional traffic generation during erection and thereafter, density and layout of the proposed buildings, adequacy of parking/loading/turning, impact upon access to allotments site and whether the Barnsley Local Plan is being considered.

2019/1136	Residential development of 4 no. dwellings - Garage Site, Martin Croft, Silkstone, S75 4JS.
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### **19-159 BMBC SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING CONSULTATION**

**RESOLVED** to note and record no comments.

### **19-160 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING**

**RESOLVED** to note a report from Cllr D Liddell that a productive and well attended meeting was held on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2019 during which Kirkwells presented to residents and Councillors. Cllr Thompson will follow up with Kirkwells. Cllr M Liddell has emailed attendees and asked for commitment to be involved in the Plan.

## **19-161 SILKSTONE PARISH COUNCIL FINANCIAL REGULATIONS**

**RESOLVED** to approve the Clerk's recommended amendments.

## **19-162 NALC CONSULTATION INTO LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUDIT**

Cllr D Liddell reported that this refers to a 'light touch' audit of smaller council's and that it is likely that the costs are going to be prohibitive in terms of precept.

Cllr Leech commented that we were happy with our internal auditor and the process.

**RESOLVED** to note the consultation but offer no comments.

## **19-163 SILKSTONE RECREATION GROUND**

**RESOLVED** to note and approve the minutes of the Silkstone Playing Fields Committee meeting held on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2019.

**RESOLVED** to agree to the submission of the Floodlights Planning Application by Steve Fletcher using the Clerk's name and Council's address on the application.

**RESOLVED** to note the Clerk's report following the jetting works to Recreation Ground car park drains and monitor the flow of rainwater drainage.

## **19-164 NOTICE OF CONCLUSION OF AUDIT**

**RESOLVED** to note the conclusion of the external audit and that all statutory notices have been displayed in the village noticeboards and uploaded to the Council's website.

## **19-165 FINANCIAL REGULATION 4.5**

**RESOLVED** to note that the Clerk authorised repair of the water leak repair on the Recreation Ground in line with Financial Regulation 4.5

## **19-166 PARISH CLERK ROLE**

**RESOLVED** to note an update from Cllr M Liddell following the meeting of the staffing committee on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September 2019 that advertisements had been included in the Parish Newsletter and website seeking applications for the role with a deadline of Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2019.

## 19-167 INVOICES FOR PAYMENT

**RESOLVED** to approve the payment schedule dated 7<sup>th</sup> October 2019.

Date	Invoice number	Payee	Description	Net	Vat	Total	Cheque number	Purchase Order
<b>Paid in between meetings</b>								
09-Sep-19	GWSY492	Groundwork	Restoration works to Silkstone Waggonway	£800.00	£160.00	£960.00	301625	2019-002
09-Sep-19	1813	Bothams Prestige	Grounds Maintenance - August	£1,065.42	£213.08	£1,278.50	301626	
16-Sep-19	H178C9C6C2	Eon	Pavillion Electricity	£92.97	£4.65	£97.62	DD	
16-Sep-19	H178C65C16	Eon	Pavilion Gas	£48.64	£2.43	£51.07	DD	
20-Sep-19	SB201801277	PKF Littlejohn LLP	Professional Services - Auditor 17/18	£400.00	£80.00	£480.00	301627	
02-Oct-19		Yorkshire Water	Recreation Ground Water Supply	£258.87	£0.00	£258.87	DD	
02-Oct-19	N/A	Andrew Wilson	Paint and Varnish for Parish benches	£22.98	£4.60	£27.58	Petty Cash	
07-Oct-19	SINV00255822	BOS Office Supplies Group	Newsletter Printing	£526.85	£0.00	£526.85	301628	2019-014
07-Oct-19	65	Pro-Jett	Jetting of SRG Drains	£475.00	£0.00	£475.00	301629	2019-011
07-Oct-19	190488	Aquaforce	Repair of burst pipe	£740.00	£148.00	£888.00	301630	2019-013
07-Oct-19	SB20193280	PKF Littlejohn LLP	Professional Services - Auditor 18/19	£300.00	£60.00	£360.00	301631	
07-Oct-19	1828	Bothams Prestige	Grounds Maintenance	£1,025.42	£205.08	£1,230.50	301632	2019-009
07-Oct-19	N/A	Heather Lindsay	Confidential Waste Shredding	£24.60	£0.00	£24.60	301633	2019-012
07-Oct-19	1791-293506	BHIB Ltd.	Insurance Cover 2019/2020	£1,476.09	£0.00	£1,476.09	301634	2019-010
07-Oct-19	465-1920	YLCA	Cllr D Liddell - Conference 13/09/19	£120.00	£0.00	£120.00	301635	
07-Oct-19	308 07948	PWLB	Loan Repayment	£6,744.18	£0.00	£6,744.18	DD	
07-Oct-19	P60188200	Yorkshire Water	Allotments Water Supply	£79.58	£0.00	£79.58	301636	
07-Oct-19	N/A	Laura Hill	Newsletter Distribution	£68.00	£0.00	£68.00	301637	
07-Oct-19	N/A	HMRC	Laura Hill Income Tax	£17.00	£0.00	£17.00	301638	
07-Oct-19	N/A	Thomas Taylor	Newsletter Distribution	£85.00	£0.00	£85.00	301639	
07-Oct-19	N/A	Carl Brown	Handyman Services	£225.00	£0.00	£225.00	301640	2019-007
07-Oct-19	N/A	Parish Clerk	Office Allowance	£40.00	£0.00	£40.00	301641	
07-Oct-19	N/A	KDA	Pavilion Consumables	£19.25	£3.85	£23.10	301641	
07-Oct-19	N/A	Co-operative Stores	Neighbourhood Planning Event Refreshments	£8.02	£0.00	£8.02	301641	
07-Oct-19	07947 545504	EE Mobile Services	Office Mobile Telephone	£10.00	£0.00	£10.00	301641	
<b>Total £81.12</b>							301641	
<b>Total Invoices for Payment</b>				<b>£14,672.87</b>	<b>£881.69</b>	<b>£15,554.56</b>		

## 19-168 TWINNING ASSOCIATION BANK ACCOUNT

The Clerk reported that a letter had been received from HSBC requiring that business information is provided by 1<sup>st</sup> December 2019 otherwise the account will be suspended.

Unfortunately, the Clerk can find no details of who the account signatories are.

**RESOLVED** to contact Yvonne Dinsdale to seek assistance.

## 19-169 YLCA BRANCH MEETING AUTUMN 2019

**RESOLVED** to note the date of the next South Yorkshire Branch meeting.

## 19-170 MEETINGS

Cllr Alan Thompson	Neighbourhood Planning meeting, VE Day 2020 meeting with Silkstone Heritage Group.
Cllr Richard Leech	Neighbourhood Planning meeting Staffing Committee meeting, Silkstone Playing Fields Committee, Silkstone Common Sports & Social Club Meeting x 2.
Cllr Derek Liddell	Neighbourhood Planning, NALC smaller Councils Committee Meeting, YLCA training conference, NALC Management Board, YLCA Finance

	& General Purpose Committee meeting,
Cllr Meryl Liddell	Neighbourhood Planning, Staffing Committee meeting.
Cllr Ron Stier	Silkstone Playing Fields Committee, CARE Annual General Meeting, Silkstone Common Good Companions.
Cllr Debra Smith	Staffing Committee meeting.
Cllr Peter Millar	Neighbourhood Planning, Staffing Committee meeting
Clerk	Silkstone Playing Fields Committee, Silkstone Common Sports & Social Club Meeting x 2 , Neighbourhood Planning

### 19-171 CORRESPONDENCE TO NOTE

**RESOLVED** to note the following correspondence:

Request from Trans Pennine Trail apprentice seeking information about the carved benches. Clerk to seek assistance from Jim Richie.
Email from a Committee member of Silkstone Common Sports and Social Club regarding grant funding. Clerk to email Grant Application Form and copy of policy.
Email concerning 'Sarah's Goal' – a charitable organisation set up by a resident in memory of her sister. Clerk to raise with football and cricket users to do all we can to support and promote.

### 19-172 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of Silkstone Parish Council will be held on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2019 at Silkstone Sports Pavilion commencing at 6.45pm.

*The Chair closed the meeting at 8.48pm.*

Chair's Signature	Date