
MINUTES - Shadforth Parish Council Meeting

In accordance with Paragraph 7 & 10 (2)(b) of Schedule 12a of the Local Government Act 1972, Members are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the Shadforth Parish Council, Tuesday 11th July 2023 at 6pm at Sherburn Hill Hub.

- S1 Attendees: Cllrs Thompson, Martin, Beattie, Flude, Nixon and Parish Clerk
- S2 Apologies: NONE
- S3 To receive disclosures of interest in any matters on the agenda: Cllrs Beattie, Flude and Martin disclosed an interest in allotments. Cllrs Beattie and Flude disclosed an interest in garage plots.
- S4 To agree that the minutes from the last ordinary meeting of June 13th 2023 are a true record: AGREED
- S5 To receive an update from the Clerk: Email received regarding Traffic Calming Control through Shadforth. Clerk to email a Grant application to the relevant person. Email received regarding the size of conifers at Sherburn Hill allotments. Agreed to 'face off' the conifers and also agreed they can be reduced in size after September, once birds have finished nesting. Issue regarding empty unsafe gas bottles will be addressed.
- S6 To receive an update on communications received: Overgrown footpath reported heading towards boardwalk area. This will be cut by the Parish Councils contractor.
- S7 To receive an update on Shadforth Cemetery: Correspondence received regarding FMNGTS, a private firm that tends to burial plots. Agreed they can continue to tend a grave within Shadforth Cemetery at the grave owner's expenses. New bench has been purchased and will be installed once suitable paving work has been completed.
- S8 To receive an update on creating a woodland walk on a piece of land owned by DCC in Sherburn Hill: County Durham Community Foundation (CDCF) revoked the application for funding. There is however funding that can be applied for at end of July.
- S9 To agree any payments that need to be made: ALL AGREED
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| Clerks Salary | £399.28 |
| Meeting room Hire | £30.00 |
| M Savage – Shadforth Cemetery general tidy and cut | £437.50 |
| M Savage – Parish Path, 3 rd cut of the year | £834.00 |
| M Savage – paving for bench at Shadforth Cemetery | £690.00 |
| Internal Audit Fee | £220.00 |
- S10 To discuss damage to Boardwalk in Shadforth: The Boardwalk is owned by DCC. Clerk to notify DCC of the damage.

- S11 To receive update on access road around Shadforth Green: [Nothing to report at this time.](#)
- S12 To discuss the possibility of a mining memorial in Sherburn Hill: Item postponed from last PC meeting: [Mr Hall will be meeting land acquisitions. Looking for community to be involved in the design and it is hoped it will encourage local apprentices with brick-laying experience, landscaping etc. to assist in the creation.](#)
- S13 To consider a request by the Walk and Talk Trust for funding towards creating signposted walks withing the Parish: [No Grant application has been returned to Shadforth Parish Council.](#)
- S14 To receive updates from County and Parish Councillors: [New perspex to be fitted to Parish Council noticeboards. This has not been fully completed to date. The noticeboard located in Shadforth has not yet been fitted to the newly rendered wall. Cllr Nixon agreed to look at the disintegrating cement at the Skatepark in Ludworth.](#)

[New Parish Council Grant Form to be created and will be posted on to PC website so the local communities can apply for small grants.](#)

- S15 Public questions or comments, 5 minutes max: [NONE](#)
- S16 Matters arising from previous minutes which have not been covered above: [NONE](#)
- S17 To receive any items for the next meeting: [NONE](#)
- S18 Any other business: [Next Parish Council meeting will be held on Tuesday 12th September at Sherburn Hill Community Hub AT 6pm. **NO PC MEETING TO BE HELD IN AUGUST**](#)