# MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD AT BROOK HOUSE, 18 SHOBNALL ROAD, BURTON UPON TRENT ON MONDAY 17 APRIL 2023 COMMENCING AT 6.35PM

#### **PRESENT**

Councillors Dennis, Dittmer, Donlon, Pennicott and Shilton

#### Also present

ESBC Councillor McKiernan PCSO Worden Ruel Cole Mary Danby, Parish Clerk

## 1. Minutes

**Resolved** That the Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 19 April 2023 be approved as a true record.

#### 2. Chair's report

The role of the Parish Council has continued over the year and its importance is most noted when we provide a voice for issues that concern residents or could impact the area.

The Neighbourhood Plan is as relevant today as it was when it was first designed and implemented by the Parish Council. The Neighbourhood Plan is reviewed on a yearly basis to ensure its content is still relevant and pertinent.

Throughout the year we review all documentation to ensure it is fit for purpose; as processes and the needs of the area changes, the Parish Council also reviews and updates when necessary.

This is reflected in the projects discussed and proposed during the year. Our attention has been drawn to the potential of enlarging the skate park at Shobnall Fields. The Parish Council has agreed to funding the initial appraisal for the project. We also continue to maintain and oversee our previous projects.

The mural at Dallow Lock has been assessed by the original artist, following vandalism to the protective screen. We have taken the artist's advice and are in the initial stages of putting in place improvements to enhance and maintain the mural for the long term.

To encourage and support the many people who use the footpath under Moor Street Bridge we are seeking costs and permission to site a bench near to the footpath. The provision of respite will hopefully encourage more people to be able to use this footpath to get out and about.

The Parish Council would like to have more members and actively encourage input from residents by publishing our minutes and meeting dates.

The concerns of residents regarding speeding traffic on Shobnall Road is being addressed. The Parish Council is in the process of looking at the option of installing a speed indicator device to highlight to drivers the speed they are driving at. We are aware that this option will not stop speeding vehicles but it may make a difference to the attitude of some drivers, which would be a benefit to everyone.

We would like to thank the residents and organisations who have opted to have a defibrillator installed for the community's use. The positive response has also encouraged us to look at other safety community measures we can implement within the area.

The Parish Council continues to evolve and support the area. With the boundary changes the 11 Parish Councillors will cover the same area which are now named Shobnall Canal (10 Parish Councillors) and Oaks Wood (1 Parish Councillor).

I would like to thank the Parish Councillors for the time they have invested in their duties and the role of the Parish Councillor. Thank you.

Councillor Trish Dennis Chair 2022-23

# 3. Financial report

#### Actual receipts and payment to 31 March 2023 and 2023/24 budget

|                                 | 2022/23 |                            | 2023/24 |
|---------------------------------|---------|----------------------------|---------|
|                                 | Budget  | Actual<br>As at 31/03/2023 | Budget  |
|                                 | £       | £                          | £       |
| INCOME                          |         |                            |         |
| Precept                         | 35,409  | 35,409                     | 37,180  |
| Council Tax Support Grant       | 2,098   | 2,098                      | 2,098   |
| Money Manager Account: Interest | 4       | 142                        | 120     |
| Total income                    | 37,511  | 37,649                     | 39,398  |
|                                 |         |                            |         |
| GENERAL RUNNING COSTS           |         |                            |         |
| Employee Costs                  |         |                            |         |
| Clerk's salary                  | 10,530  | 10,881                     | 11,099  |
| Employer's NI                   | 160     | 254                        | 300     |
| Mileage                         | 300     | 32                         | 300     |
| Use of Home as Office           | 134     | 134                        | 134     |
| Parking fees                    | -       | 3                          | -       |
| Total employee costs            | 11,124  | 11,303                     | 11,833  |

| Annual Running Costs                 |       |       |          |
|--------------------------------------|-------|-------|----------|
| Highway lighting (maintenance)       | 30    | 32    | 35       |
| Subscriptions & Memberships          | 710   | 728   | 785      |
| Computer LifeLine                    | 400   | 432   | 400      |
| RBS Accounts Support                 | 130   | 129   | 75       |
| Website                              | 150   | 150   | 150      |
| IT Software                          | 200   | 144   | 250      |
| Insurance                            | 353   | 412   | 412      |
| Audit Fees                           | 510   | 426   | 456      |
| Payroll Services                     | 90    | 95    | 110      |
| ICO                                  | 35    | 35    | 35       |
| Total annual running costs           | 2,608 | 2,582 | 2,808    |
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| Administration Expenses              |       |       |          |
| Printing and Stationery              | 300   | 365   | 300      |
| Council mobile                       | 90    | 90    | 90       |
| Publications                         | 150   | 52    | 150      |
| Postage                              | 200   | 159   | 225      |
| Room Hire                            | 180   | 172   | 220      |
| Refreshments                         | 50    | 6     | 50       |
| Training & Conference                | 850   | -     | 625      |
| Bank charges                         | 100   | 96    | 100      |
| S137 grant aid                       | 6,000 | 587   | 6,000    |
| Sundries                             | 200   | 23    | 200      |
| <b>Total administration expenses</b> | 8,120 | 1,550 | 7,960    |
|                                      |       |       |          |
| Defibrillators                       |       |       |          |
| Defibrillators and heated cabinets   | -     | 1,065 |          |
| Installation                         | -     | 2,082 |          |
| Monthly inspections                  | -     | 990   | 1,200    |
| Call outs                            | -     | -     | 300      |
| Replacement pads/battery packs       | -     | -     | 400      |
| Total defibrillators costs           | -     | 4,137 | 1,900    |
|                                      |       |       | <u> </u> |
| Bleed emergency control kits         |       |       |          |
| Control kits and cabinets            | -     | -     | -        |
| Monthly inspections                  | -     | -     | 650      |
| Call outs                            | -     | -     | 300      |
| Replacement kits                     | -     | -     | 200      |
| Total bleed control kit costs        | -     | -     | 1,150    |
| Noticeboorde                         |       |       | -        |
| Noticeboards                         | 100   | F0    |          |
| Cleaning  Total noticeboard costs    | 100   | 50    | 50       |
| Total noticeboard costs              | 100   | 50    | 50       |

| Dallow Lock mural & noticeboard |        |        |       |    |
|---------------------------------|--------|--------|-------|----|
| Cleaning mural & noticeboard    | 200    | 200    | 20    | 0  |
| R&M mural                       | 1      | •      | 5,00  | 0  |
| Total Dallow Lock mural costs   | 200    | 200    | 5,20  | 0  |
|                                 |        |        |       |    |
| Projects                        |        |        |       |    |
| Contingency                     | 5,000  | -      | 5,00  | 0  |
| Project Work                    | 9,000  | 510    | 3,50  | 0  |
| Total projects                  | 14,000 | 510    | 8,50  | 0  |
|                                 |        |        |       |    |
| VAT Data                        |        |        |       |    |
| VAT on receipts                 | -      | 2,228  |       | -  |
| VAT on payments                 | -      | 1,164  |       | -  |
| Net receipts over payments      | -      | 1,164  |       | -  |
|                                 |        |        |       |    |
| TOTAL EXPENDITURE               | 36,152 | 21,496 | 39,40 | 1  |
| TOTAL INCOME                    | 37,511 | 39,876 | 39,39 | 8  |
| NET INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE     | 1,359  | 18,380 | -     | .3 |
| Total Earmarked Reserves        | 64,100 | 80,655 | 80,65 | 5  |

### 4. Public participation

PCSO Worden introduced himself, saying that he had previously covered the Shobnall area but he left the area in 2018 to work in the Lichfield District policing area. He had now returned to Burton and would be covering an area including Shobnall.

He gave an overview of the work he was looking to do with young people in an attempt to resolve, or at least reduce the problems caused by anti-social behaviour.

He also said that it was possible for people to log incidents on the Live Chat facility on the Staffordshire Police website.

(The meeting closed at 7.12pm)

| Signed |  |
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| Date   |  |