



SHIPSTON-ON-STOUR TOWN COUNCIL Minutes

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<u>November 23rd 2009 Minutes</u>	Action
<p><u>Minutes of the Meeting of Shipston on Stour Town Council held in Clark House, Shipston on Stour at 7.00pm on Monday 23rd November, 2009</u></p>	
<p><u>Those Present:-</u> Town Councillors: Cllr. A. Noyce (Town Mayor), Cllr. I.C.Cooper, Cllr.Mrs.D.Courtney, Cllr. Mrs. F. Ivens, Cllr. K. Peacock, Cllr. Mrs. J. Pearce, Cllr.P.Rathkey, Cllr. Mrs. J. Warner, Cllr. S. Welch</p>	
<p><u>Introduction</u> The Town Mayor, Cllr.A.H.Noyce, welcomed Town Council members to the additional Meeting of Shipston on Stour Town Council.</p>	
<p><u>Apologies for Absence</u> Apologies for Absence were received from:- Cllr. Mrs. A. Henderson, Cllr. P. Vial</p>	
<p><u>Acceptance of Apologies</u> These apologies for absence were unanimously accepted.</p>	
<p><u>Planning Matters</u> New planning applications to be considered: 09/02248/TREE – 6 Green Lane – To fell 4 hawthorn trees – make no representations</p>	
<p><u>Financial Matters</u> The Clerk asked that a proposal be made to place an order with Millennium Quest to install and dismantle the Christmas Lights, the order to include 40 new sets of lights for the Christmas trees to replace the existing lights which are not suitable for outdoor use at £30 each a total of £1200. It was proposed by Cllr. Welch and seconded by Cllr. Courtney that the order be placed – this motion was unanimously agreed.</p>	

Precept 2010 – 2011

The Town Mayor introduced the item, stating that the precept should be maintained at its current level.

Cllr. Cooper, chair of the Finance Working Group led discussion, using the newly installed overhead projector facility he was able to talk through the spreadsheets he had prepared and give explanation of each area of expenditure.

Councillors were informed that the current precept added £64 per household to the rates demand for 2009 – 2010. Cllr. Warner asked about the provision for vehicles for the gardening team, drawing attention to the use of private vehicles and concerns about insurance. Cllr. Welch proposed that the purchase of an additional vehicle be added to the precept, seconded by Cllr. Rathkey – **vote 7 for, 1 against – motion carried.**

Cllr. Cooper introduced the applications from a number of organisations for grants from STC. Each grant application was discussed on its merits, following previously agreed criteria.

Cllr. Courtney proposed that grants be awarded to: DASH; The Bowling Club; The Football Club; Shipston Proms; Shipston in Bloom; The Townsend Hall; Shipston WI and that no award should be made to 4 other organisations who had submitted grant applications, seconded by Cllr. Pearce – **motion unanimously accepted.**

Cllr Cooper and the Town Clerk to liaise and write to each applicant to notify the outcome of STC decision.

Finale

The Town Mayor noted that the next meeting will be held on Monday 14th December, 2009 in Clark House commencing at 7.00pm.

The Town Mayor thanked all Cllrs. and the press for their attendance, and closed the meeting at 9.45 pm.

Signed.....

Date.....

Councillor A. Noyce
Town Mayor
Shipston on Stour Town Council