

**Shavington-cum-Gresty Council**  
**Shavington-cum-Gresty Parish Council**  
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## **MINUTES of the Parish Council Meeting** **held on Wednesday 7 June 2023**

In attendance: Cllrs Buchanan, Cruickshank, Ferguson, B Gibbs, K Gibbs, Hancock, R Jones, S Jones, McHugh, McIntyre, Randle

<b>ScG/23/02/1</b>	<b>To receive and consider apologies for absence<sup>1</sup></b>
	Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Wain.
<b>ScG/23/02/2</b>	<b>To note declarations of Members' interest</b>
	Cllr Randle declared a disclosable pecuniary interest in item 13.
<b>ScG/23/02/3</b>	<b>To confirm and sign the minutes of the Shavington-cum-Gresty Council Meeting held on 17 May 2023</b>
	<b>RESOLVED:</b> that the Minutes of the previous meeting are approved and signed as an accurate record subject to the following amendments being made:  a. ScG/23/01/02 Cllr Cruickshank b. ScG/23/01/8 Cllr McHugh
<b>ScG/23/02/4</b>	<b>Public Participation</b>
	<i>A period not exceeding 20 minutes for members of the public to ask questions or submit comments</i>
	A representative of Nightingales community choir shared the group's concerns with regards to available spaces for community uses within the Parish.  A representative of St Mark Choir shared the choir's desire to see the Old School building transformed into a community space (performing art and live music hub). The representative asked for more details about the Old School Building. The

<sup>1</sup> Meeting started at 1947hrs

	representative suggested that the Nightingales group would be keen to support any application or plan for the community use of the building.
<b>ScG/23/02/5</b>	<p><b>To receive and consider updates from Committee Chairs in relation to meetings held since the previous Shavington-cum-Gresty Parish Council meeting on 17 May 2023 or any items arisen since then:</b></p> <p><b><u>Committee:</u> Community and Engagement Committee</b> <b><u>Chair:</u> Councillor K Gibbs</b></p> <p><b><u>Committee:</u> Village Hall Committee</b> <b><u>Chair:</u> Cllr McIntyre</b></p> <p><b><u>Committee:</u> Environment and Recreation Committee</b> <b><u>Chair:</u> Councillor Ferguson</b></p> <p><b><u>Committee:</u> Finance &amp; Strategy Committee</b> <b><u>Chair:</u> Cllr Wain</b></p> <p><b><u>Committee:</u> Staffing Committee</b> <b><u>Chair:</u> Cllr Buchanan</b></p> <p><b><u>Committee:</u> Planning Committee</b> <b><u>Chair:</u> To be confirmed</b> <b>Meetings held on 7 June 2023</b></p>
	Councillors <b>NOTED</b> the update.
<b>ScG/23/02/6</b>	<b>To receive an update on Cheshire East Council’s plans affecting the Parish Council from Cllr Buchanan (CEC)<sup>2</sup></b>
	Councillor <b>NOTED</b> the update.
<b>ScG/23/02/7</b>	<b>To receive and consider the Parish Council DRAFT Business and Work Delivery plan 2023/24<sup>3</sup></b>
	Members <b>NOTED</b> the report.  <b>RESOLVED:</b> that the Parish Council Business and Work Delivery plan 2023/24 is approved.
<b>ScG/23/02/8</b>	<b>To receive and consider the budget setting schedule for 2024/25</b>
	Councillors <b>NOTED</b> the report.

<sup>2</sup> Cllr Hancock left the room at 2026hrs.

<sup>3</sup> Cllr Hancock returned hrs 2028hrs

	<b>RESOLVED:</b> that the budget setting schedule for 2024/25 is approved.
<b>ScG/23/02/9</b>	<b>To receive and consider alternative management proposals with regards to the Shavington Park Allotments</b>
	Members <b>NOTED</b> the reports.  <b>RESOLVED:</b> the Parish Council agreed to support Wybunbury Parish Council's position to hand the Shavington Allotments over to Trust Green (site management company), in the hope that the allotment site will be completed and plots will be made available in the shorter period possible  It was <b>NOTED</b> that Cllr Hugh voted against.
<b>ScG/23/02/10</b>	<b>To receive and consider an update with regards to the School Car Park</b>
	Councillors <b>NOTED</b> the report.  <b>RESOLVED:</b> that, given that an agreement hasn't been drafted and that points raised by the Parish Council to inform their decision haven't been addressed yet by the Life for Learning Partnership, the consideration of the item is postponed to the next meeting.
<b>ScG/23/02/11</b>	<b>To receive an update with regard to the Old School building and to consider any related actions</b>
	Councillors <b>NOTED</b> the report.
<b>ScG/23/02/12</b>	<b>To consider excluding from the meeting the public and representatives of the press under Section 1 of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 during the consideration of item 13 on the grounds that the matters contain sensitive information and by reason of confidential nature of the business being transacted.</b>
	<b>RESOLVED:</b> representatives of the press are excluded from the meeting during the consideration of item 13 on the grounds that the matters contain sensitive information and by reason of confidential nature of the business being transacted (Section 1 of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960)
<b>ScG/23/02/13</b>	<b>To receive and consider the staff capacity planning report 2022/23 and 2023/24</b>
	Cllr Randle left the room during consideration of item 13 due to personal interest related with the item discussed.

	<p><b>RESOLVED:</b> that C&amp;E Committee is instructed to review and reconsider the events planning for 2023/24 to address the staff capacity issue.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b> that F&amp;S Committee is instructed to consider options for 2024 onwards.</p>
ScG/23/02/14	<p><b>To receive and consider a proposal to review the following Committees' Terms of Reference:</b></p> <p><b>a. Community and Engagement Committee: from 5 to 7 members of authority</b></p> <p><b>b. Environment and Recreation Committee: from 5 to 8 members of authority</b></p>
	<p>Clerk briefed Councillors on the item. Councillors <b>NOTED</b> the briefing.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b> that the Terms of Reference of the Community and Engagement Committee and Environment and Recreation Committee are amended as follow:</p> <p>a. Community and Engagement Committee: from 5 to 7 members of authority</p> <p>b. Environment and Recreation Committee: from 5 to 8 members of authority</p>
ScG/23/02/15	<p><b>To receive and consider nominations for existing Committees</b></p>
	<p><b>RESOLVED:</b> that the Committees' Membership 2023/24 is amended as following:</p> <p>Community and Engagement Committee: Cruickshank, McHugh Environment and Recreation Committee: Cruickshank, McHugh, Randle</p> <p>It was <b>NOTED</b> that, due to his personal circumstances and following advice from ChALC, Cllr Randle agreed not to sit on the Community and Engagement Committee.</p>
ScG/23/02/16	<p><b>To note the date of the next Council Meeting – 5 July 2023 -7:30PM</b></p>
	<p>Members <b>NOTED</b> the date of the next meeting.</p>

Meeting Closed at 2141 hrs  
Chair: Cllr B Gibbs  
Clerk: S Garnero