

**Shavington-cum-Gresty Council**  
**Shavington-cum-Gresty Parish Council**  
Main Road,  
Shavington, Crewe  
CW2 5DP



**MINUTES the Parish Council**  
**held on Thursday 21 December 2023**

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

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| <b>ScG/23/07/1</b> | <b>To receive and consider apologies for absence</b>  |
|                    | No apologies were received.   |
| <b>ScG/23/07/2</b> | <b>To note declarations of Members' interest</b>  |
|                    | No interest was declared  |
| <b>ScG/23/07/3</b> | <b>To confirm and sign the minutes of the Shavington-cum-Gresty Council Meeting held on 6 December 2023</b>   |
|                    | <p><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:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Amend DRAFT typos</li><li>• Third paragraph, amend 'that advice is seek from a solicitor on the following elements: Council's liabilities from the sponsorship, liabilities termination closes to terminate the contract earlier' to read 'that advice is sought from a solicitor on the following elements: Council's liabilities from the sponsorship; lack of clauses with which to withdraw from the agreement early'.</li><li>• Fourth paragraph: amend sentence as follows: '...and to call for an extra council meeting as soon as practicable...'</li></ul> |
| <b>ScG/23/07/4</b> | <b>Public Participation<sup>1</sup></b>   |
|                    | <i>A period not exceeding 20 minutes for members of the public to ask questions or submit comments</i>  |

<sup>1</sup> Cllr Randle joined meeting at 19:33hrs

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|                    | No comment was raised.  |
| <b>ScG/23/07/5</b> | <p><b>To receive and consider quotes for the provision of a legal service for the review of the School Car Park Sponsorship Agreement</b></p> <p><b>And to consider to allocate a budget from reserve to cover the legal service costs</b></p>  |
|                    | <p>Councillors <b>NOTED</b> the report.<sup>2</sup></p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b> that the Clerk is instructed to contact the Trust and confirm that on 6 December 2023 the Council had resolved to agree in principle to the costing of the 5-year agreement. However, the Council had also been advised by solicitors not to sign the agreement in its current form.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b> that the Council agreed to appoint Quote 1 for the provision of legal services. It was <b>NOTED</b> the identities of all potential suppliers were not disclosed to the Councillors during the review process. Councillors were provided with only the quotes and relevant details of the proposals, excluding any information that could reveal the identity of the suppliers.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b> that a budget of £1,500 is allocated to cover the solicitors' costs (budget Legal Services costs)</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b> that £1,500 from reserves are allocated toward Legal Services cost budget</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b> that the Clerk is delegated to negotiate the revised draft agreement with the solicitors and the school, that will be presented to Full Council for consideration and final approval</p> |
| <b>ScG/23/07/6</b> | <p><b>To note the date of the next Council Meeting – 7 February 2024 7:30PM</b></p> <p>Councillors <b>NOTED</b> the date of the next Parish Council meeting.</p>  |

Meeting Closed at 20:49 hrs  
Chair: Cllr B Gibbs  
Clerk: S Garnero

<sup>2</sup> Cllr Buchanan left the meeting at 20:14hrs