Meeting of the Sharlston Parish Council held on Monday 1st October 2018 at Sharlston Community School at 7.00 p.m.

Present:	Councillor J Cliffe MBE	Councillor E Stebbings-Allison
	Councillor J Goodfellow	Councillor S Goodhead
	Councillor K Shingles	Councillor J Craig
	Councillor P Belbin	Councillor A Devey
	Councillor P Boyes	Councillor D Bond
Also present:	District Cllr. G. Isherwood	

322. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from District Councillor M Tennant-King

323. Disclosure of Personal Interest

No disclosures of interest were made at this time.

324. Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 10th September 2018

The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 10th September 2018 were accepted as a true record.

Moved Cllr. Boyes/seconded Cllr. Craig

325. Progress Report

Community Centre Lease

The clerk reported that she had not heard from the Church or their solicitors regarding the lease on the community centre, so the old lease was continuing.

Cllr. Boyes asked if our solicitor could be contacted again to confirm that this situation can continue safely.

Salt provision

The clerk had received confirmation that WMDC had offered a consignment of road salt for free again this winter.

The clerk had spoken to Will Easterby and he had agreed to once again offer storage for this.

HS2

The clerk confirmed a letter had been sent to HS2 with regard to the heavy lorry compound to be sited near Sharlston. It was also reported that HS2 had been doing environmental audits and surveys throughout the village.

Computer Provision

The clerk reported that a lap top, printer, screen and keyboard had been purchased for her use and had been installed at her home. This equipment was to be included on the Council's insurance policy.

It was also discussed whether there was a need now for the photocopier, which was bulky and was also at the clerk's home. The clerk agreed to look into this.

326. Ongoing Projects

	Cllr. Belbin said he had not made progress on the

New Community Building	funding issue as yet, due to work commitments. It was reported that the Planning committee had met with Diana Brown from Groundworks with regard to the planning application. The clerk was to try to ascertain who the garages on site belonged to.

327. External Audit

The clerk reported that the external audit of the accounts for 2017/18 had been successfully completed and that the report had been made available on both noticeboards.

328. Play Areas

It was agreed to accept Sutcliffes' quotation for refurbishment of the Play Area on Weeland Road, without the new swings.

Cllr. Isherwood said that he would attend the meeting of the New Sharlston Voluntary Community Group to be held on Monday 8th October. He was hoping to discuss the matter of a new Play Area in New Sharlston with officers at WMDC before the meeting.
It was resolved: that the Parish Council would give a start-up grant of £250.00 to this group and that the clerk would attend the residents meeting to offer support.

329. Advent Calendars

It was agreed again that the Parish Council should provide Advent Calendars for the children at the school. A donation for £250.00 had been made by Unite the Union, towards the cost of this. The clerk was to get numbers on roll from the school.
It was resolved that the Parish Council would also give a grant to the school towards the Christmas festivities.

330. Defibrillator

It was reported that full funding for this project had been put before the panel at WMDC, from Capital funding. A decision was to be made shortly.

331. Seating

Residents had made enquiries about obtaining seating around the Green. It was pointed out that the two benches on the Green itself and the one by the Wheel on Weeland Road, were in need of repair/replacement. The clerk agreed to obtain a quotation for this from WMDC

332. Website

The clerk reported that the website was no longer active, following the withdrawing of funding from Wakefield Council. It was suggested that it would be an opportunity to get a new up-to-date website and the clerk was to look into this. Featherstone Town Council website used "On-Screen" based at Snydale for their website and the clerk agreed to contact them.

A resident had asked for 12 months minutes, as they were no longer available to view on the website. Because of the temporary loss of the website, the clerk agreed to send PDF copies to the resident on this occasion.

333. Planning Applications

The planning applications on Appendix B were considered. It was suggested that the clerk should contact Taylor Wimpey to ascertain the ownership of this strip of land.

334. Planning Decisions.

There were no planning decisions on Appendix C to note.

335. Attendance at Meetings

1. Normanton Town Council, Mayor's Coffee Morning, Tuesday 9th October between 10.30 am. to 12.00 p.m. Town Hall, High Street, Normanton.

2. Mayors Charity Concert, Hopetown Liberal Club, Friday 19th October, at 7.00 p.m.

3. Remembrance Sunday, Normanton Town Hall, 11th November, 10.30 a.m.

4. Normanton Town Council, Mayor's Coffee Morning, Tuesday 9th October, 2018, 10.30 am. – 12.00 noon. Town Hall.

5. Wakefield Branch YLCA, Thursday 11th October at 7.00 p.m.

6. Normanton Town Council, Christmas Lights Switch on, Friday 30th November at 5.30 p.m.

336. Correspondence

The Councillors were brought up to date with all correspondence received.

The clerk drew the attention of the meeting to the final resignation of George Balaam and that meant there was now one vacancy on the Parish Council.

337. Accounts

The following accounts were approved for payment.

To	Details	Amount	Category
Talk Talk **Direct Debit**	Telephone/Broadband	£36.11	Admin: Telephone charges
PKF Littlejohn	External Auditors	£240.00	Audit Services
Currys PC World	Computer equipment Lap Top/screen/printer	£889.95	Purchases
Post Office **Card Payment**	Postage	£8.08	Admin: Clerk's Expenses

New Sharlston VCG	Start-up Grant	£250.00	Grants

338. Additional Matters

1. It was reported that the footpath from Hammer Lane to High Street, New Sharlston was becoming overgrown.

2. It was reported that when mowing the Play Area at New Sharlston, Wakefield Council are not clearing the edges of the site and the grass area keeps getting smaller and the overgrown boundary larger.

3. Again the street cleaner had been travelling too fast on The Green, with the consequence that some litter was being left behind. The grates along the road from the Dam to the Wheel were also clogged with straw etc. from farm vehicles and needed clearing before leaves became a problem.

4. Cllr. Stebbings drew the attention of the meeting to the date for the Christmas Fair, to be held at the Community Centre on 15th December, in aid of the New Sharlston Community Group.

5. Cllr. Boyes asked if the clerk could ascertain when the speed monitoring was to be carried out on The Green.

339. Date & Time of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on **MONDAY 5th November** at 7.00 p.m. at Sharlston Community School.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.30 p.m.

Signed …….. Chairman

Date ……