Extraordinary Meeting of Sharlston Parish Council held on Monday 10th August 2020 via Zoom at 6.30 pm

Present:	Councillor P Belbin	Councillor S Goodhead
	Councillor P Boyes	Councillor S Pollard
	Councillor J Goodfellow	Councillor L Wisdom
Also present:	District Councillor G Isherwood	

664. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllr A Devey and Cllr E Stebbings-Allison. Apologies had also been received from District Councillor R Taylor.

665. Declarations of Personal Interests

There were no declarations of interest.

666. Application for Grant from Parish Council

The Clerk read out the application for a grant from Sharlston Angling Club. This was for the purpose of part-funding the extension of and improvements to the current car-park, needed as a result of increased usage. She advised that the Club had met all the criteria and provided all supporting documentation.

A point was raised that the Club was a membership only organisation and it was noted that this should be considered when deciding on the outcome of the application. It was further noted that day tickets could be purchased to fish at the lake and also that the area was popular with cyclists and walkers as well as those wishing to fish.

It was also queried whether permission had been granted for the work by Mr Cooling who owned the land. It was confirmed that this had been granted.

On this basis, it was proposed and seconded that the grant be awarded. The Clerk agreed to contact the Club and make arrangements for the grant to be paid.

667. Tenders for Work to Extend Sharlston Rugby Club Car Park

The Clerk took councillors through the quotes that had been received for both the groundworks and the fencing for the work to extend and improve the current car park at Sharlston Rugby Club. The work was being undertaken to provide additional parking within the village for residents and visitors using the local shops. The fencing would provide security for the Club, whilst allowing the car park to be used at all times when training was not taking place.

It was noted that each contractor had visited the site and been given a consistent, verbal specification for the work required.

Questions were raised about any affiliations or qualifications that the contractors may have and the Clerk highlighted these where the information was available. She also provided information about existing work that had been completed by the contractors.

A question was raised about whether the wall pillar adjacent to the pharmacy car park would be shortened to improve visibility. It was confirmed that this wasn't part of the current specification but could be looked at if it was deemed to be an issue in the future.

Councillors were then asked to vote individually.

The successful contractors were proposed and agreed.

668. Date & Time of Next Meeting

The next meeting would be held on Monday, 7th September 2020 at 6.30 pm.

It was noted that as the current pandemic continued, it was likely that a blended approach to meetings would be necessary to give an option for those councillors who were not able to join meetings virtually from home to attend a socially distanced meeting (still virtually) at the Community Centre.

It was proposed and agreed that the Clerk seek to purchase a screen, in line with the spending limits within the adopted Financial Regulations, to allow this method of meeting to take place.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 7.15 p.m.

Signed P.R. Boyd ..... Chairman

Date 7-9-2020 .....