

Shincliffe Parish Council

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Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of Shincliffe Parish Council held on Monday 14 March 2022 at 12:20pm in St Mary's Church Hall, Shincliffe Village, DH1 2ND.

1	Record of attendance: Councillors Michael Banks (in the Chair), Stephen Ashfield, Brian Fairlamb & Lizzie Pexton. Also present: Richard Ormerod (Clerk).
2	Apologies for absence: None.
3	Declarations of interest and dispensation requests: None.
4	Co-option of councillors to Shincliffe Parish Council: It was noted that no election had been called to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Christine Warburton. The council confirmed it was happy with the policy. <i>The content of the calling notice for potential councillors was agreed.</i> <i>The content of the application form was agreed, subject to the addition of an item asking whether potential candidates would require any adaptations or assistance.</i> <i>It was agreed that the deadline for applications be midnight on Wednesday 13 April 2022.</i>
5	Queen's Platinum Jubilee: It was noted that an open meeting had taken place on 7 March which had been attended by 11 residents. It was noted that lots of neighbourhood parties were planned. The Women's Institute was planning to hold a special tea and a cake competition. The consensus was that the celebrations should be especially memorable for children. A discussion took place on the need for road closures but it was felt that there was no clear demand for this. Other possible activities discussed included lighting of a beacon, church bells and tree planting. It was thought best to coordinate local events whilst being cognisant of timings of televised national events to avoid clashes.
6	Other urgent business: <i>It was agreed to put out a statement condemning the</i>

	<i>invasion of Ukraine by Russia. It was agreed to provide residents with information and “signposting” on how to assist the people of Ukraine.</i> It was noted that the Chairman and County Councillor David Stoker had attended, at very short notice, a meeting with Durham County Council to discuss the possibility of adding a bus lane to the A177 in the parish. The Chairman took the opportunity to reaffirm the traffic issues impacting on the Parish and requested DDC address these when considering the bus lane.
7	<i>Date and time of next meeting: The next meeting of Shincliffe Parish Council will be on Thursday 21 April 2022 at 6pm in St Mary’s Church Hall.</i>

Signed as a true record:

Cllr M Banks (Chair)

Date:
