**S H A D FO R T H P A R I S H C O U N C I L**

**Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Parish Council held in**

**Ludworth Community Centre on Tuesday 7th November 2017 at 7.00 p.m.**

Members Cllr D Woods (Chair) Cllr D Bell Cllr J Mace Cllr B Bell

Present: Cllr L Robson-Witt Cllr B Sim (7.20)

Members of the Public: Mr R Abbot and County Cllr L Hovvels (7.15)

**50. Apologies**

None.

**51. Budget 2018/2019**

Members accepted the Summary of Balances at 31 September 2017 with a balance of £38,522.29. They looked at the spending for the current financial year and what had been spent so far with proposed final spends (Appendix 1). Most budgets were on track of coming in below budget, but membership of associations has seen an increase above budget, also ground maintenance and donations are above budget. We have had very little income/expenditure in the cemetery setting aside the extension project and have not spent much on grants. The usual wage rises have kept within budget. Members agreed Appendix 2 as our budget for 2018/19.

**52. Projects**

We looked at the current projects, what had been completed and re-evaluated what was needed to finish others. Members agreed that more money was needed to complete the cemetery extension work, we have spent £2,677.00 so far on tree surveys, a planning survey due to being in a conservation area, planning application and a fence but we now need the trees removed for access and thinned out, land work and footpaths put in. This will be an ongoing project over a few years, but members want the tree work completed this financial year. We have also spent £2,219.00 so far on Ludworth skate park, spent on legal fees and the lease of the land. Members agreed to pay for this and still have the original £4,000 budgeted available to the project. The Sherburn Hill cross-roads project is now nearly complete and will hopefully come in on budget at £4,747.99. The issue of the bollards at Sherburn Hill is ongoing so the money will carry over, the fence at Sherburn Hill park was completed. The engraving of the stone in Ludworth was not possible due to the surface of the stone being too rough to engrave on. We kept a budget for additional parish paths work, this will carry over. Placing an external defibrillator in Ludworth was discussed but there was concern it would be damaged, this may be discussed again in the future if the youth nuisance in the village is addressed.

The following projects were agreed.

* £8,000 towards work in the cemetery.
* £4,000 towards a new skate park in Ludworth.
* £1,000 towards the Parish Paths Scheme should there be a shortfall and additional cuts.
* £1,500 for bollards at Churchill Terrace.
* £2,000 for work on the allotments and car park
* £1,500 for smaller projects that come along

**53. Precept**

Members agreed to keep the precept at £14,000.

**54. Any Other Business**

No other business was brought to the meeting.