



SHABBINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Shabbington Parish Council meeting held on Monday 10th July 2023

Attendees

Cllrs Richard Smith (Chairman), Alan Powell (Vice Chairman), Miriam Boswell.
Helen Spurgeon (Parish Clerk), John Coates (Shabbington Nature Network).

1. Apologies for absence.

Cllrs Maria Millan, Joe Hardy, Susan Lewin (Bucks Council).

2. Declarations of interest in items on the agenda.

Cllr Powell declared an interest in the planning application for 3 Kimbells Close.

3. To approve the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 12th June 2023.

There was a correction under reference 5. Matters arising. The minutes state "Cllr Powell received a letter back from Greg Smith". This should say "Cllr Powell received correspondence".

4. Public participation

It was reported that the fence by the Pond Garden is veering out by the defibrillator.

It was asked whether it was possible to create a bike track on the Millennium Field for children, similar to the ones in Long Crendon, Haddenham and Ickford. This would depend on whether funding is available.

The noticeboard at the Millennium Field has been smashed again.

5. Matters arising from previous Minutes

- **Wooden kissing gate to Millennium Field.** The timber has been bought. **Action:** Chairman to organise repair.
- **Painting of container on Millennium Field.** This has been advertised in the newsletter.
- **Bin at the Millennium Field.** Still not installed. **Action:** Clerk to chase Bucks Council.
- **Leaning tree by Limes Way.** 3 quotes for removal of the tree have been received. A road closure is not required. Some requests have been received not to fell the tree. **Action:** Cllr Powell to contact the Woodland Trust to assess the tree.
- **MVAS.** The posts have been installed today. Trimming of trees needs to be done. **Action:** Chairman to apply for grant for 3rd MVAS.
- **Defibrillator light out.** Sue Maddex has reported that the light is out on Fix My Street.

6. Shabbington Nature Network Update.

It was reported that the monthly water testing of the River Thames is ongoing. There have been several hedgehog sightings in the village. SNN are promoting hedgehog tunnels. Owl fledglings have also been spotted. There will be a bird talk at the Old Fisherman on 24th July. A sketch was presented for a proposed 13m x 13m willow maze on the Millennium Field next to the basketball court. Councillors agreed to allow the willow maze to go ahead.

7. Town and Parish Survey.

This has been completed. Cllr Powell to submit.



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8. Neighbourhood Policing report

No report.

9. Finance

- The payment run for July was approved as circulated.

SHABBINGTON PARISH COUNCIL - PAYMENT RUN July 2023			
Payee	Chq. No/BACS	Detail	
Mrs H Spurgeon	BACS	Net salary Parish Clerk 24 hours £353.80, office £50, phone wifi software £20	£ 423.80
Playsafety	BACS	Inspection Millennium field play ground	£ 115.20
MP Printers	BACS	Shabbington Newsletter	£ 158.00
RTM Landscapes	BACS	Grass cutting June	£ 356.40
M R Cross	BACS	Inv 189 grass cut play area June x 2	£ 384.00
DD payments			
Npower	DD	Quarterly charge street lighting	£ 120.80
Sage	DD	Payroll software	£ 9.60
Total payments			£ 1,567.80

- Accounts to end June 2023, as circulated, were agreed. The bank balance stands at £13,633.

10. Planning

23/01788/APP 3 Kimbells Close, Shabbington HP18 9HL

It was noted that the extension cannot be seen from the road and that the neighbours are in agreement. Cllr Powell declared an interest. The Chairman and Cllr Boswell have no objections. Comments from Cllrs Millan and Hardy will be requested via email.

11. Street lighting & street repairs

The DNO transfer of supply for the lamppost outside 2 Lower Farm Close should have been completed by UK Power Networks by mid-June. **Action:** John Coates to verify if the new light is on.

12. Millennium Field & Pond Garden

There was a report of motorbikes being ridden on the Millennium Field.

13. Meetings

No meetings attended.

14. Items for information

It has been brought to the attention of the PC that the piece of land on the allotments that is rented by Jacqui and Roger has not been cultivated for several years. **Action:** Cllr Boswell to speak to Jacqui about this. The idea of a community garden has been suggested.

15. Date of next meeting in the Village Hut

Monday 11th September at 7.30pm

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.30pm.