



SHABBINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Shabbington Parish Council meeting held on Monday 10th January 2022 by video conference

Attendees

Cllrs Alan Powell (Chairman), Linda Neil (Vice Chairman), Miriam Boswell, Maria Millan, Richard Smith. Helen Spurgeon (Parish Clerk).

1. Apologies for absence.

Cllr Gregory Smith (Bucks Council).

2. Declarations of interest in items on the agenda.

The Chairman declared an interest in Shabbington Nature Network.

3. To approve the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 8th November 2021.

The minutes were approved and agreed as a true record.

4. Public participation

- An enquiry was received about when the trees marked with green spots for removal are going to be cut down. Unfortunately, councillors were unable to answer this question.
- A question was received asking what can be done about the state of the tarmac footpaths in the village. It was reported that some tarmac work had been done in Lower Farm Close today. The footpath at the start of Kimbells Close has deteriorated again. Areas of Dukes Close have been marked out with white paint. The pavement by 8-9 Homes Close where the bus pulls in is also in a bad state. **Action:** Chairman to check the status of current reports on 'Fix My Street' and report any work needed.
- A resident asked whether Shabbington would be taking part in the Best Kept Village Bucks competition. The competition has not taken place since 2019 due to the pandemic so it needs to be confirmed whether it will go ahead in 2022.

5. Neighbourhood Policing report

It was reported that there had been a burglary in Limes Way.

6. Finance

- The payment run was approved as circulated.
- Accounts to end December 2021, as circulated, were agreed. The bank balance stands at £17,899.97.
- Councillors unanimously agreed the proposed budget for 2022/23.
Councillors unanimously agreed the 2022/23 Precept request of £20,000. This is an increase of £4,320 from 2021/22 – mainly due to expenditure for the new swings and play area surface. Some Community Board funding may be available to help pay for the play area improvements. It was suggested that the VAT reclaim be made at the end of April, once the play area surface has been paid for, to ease cash flow until the second half of the precept is paid.



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Payee	Chq. No/BACS	Detail	
Mrs H Spurgeon	BACS	Net salary Parish Clerk 24 hours net pay £324, office £50, phone wifi software £20	£ 394.00
A. Powell	BACS	Expenses for nesting boxes & display boards	£ 174.91
DD payments			
Sage	DD	Payroll software	£ 8.40
		Total payments	£ 577.31
Receipts			
Shabbington Millennium Playing field	DEP	Donation to playing field equipment fund	-£ 250.00
A. Powell	CHQ	Nesting boxes income	-£ 90.00

7. Planning

21/04857/APP Paddock View, Crendon Road, Shabbington HP18 9HE.

Councillors agreed to submit NO OBJECTIONS to Bucks Council.

8. Street lighting & street repairs

- There is a street light out opposite 1 The Vines on Crendon Road. Our contractor has gone into liquidation so we are in the process of finding a new contractor to repair street lights. **Action:** Cllr Boswell to advise the Clerk if Long Crendon have managed to find a new contractor.
- More potholes have formed following the recent rain.
- Noticeboard - **Action:** Clerk to chase up the insurance claim for the damage to the noticeboard.

9. Millennium Field & Pond Garden

- Pond Garden- this will need to be cut back again in February by volunteers.
- Millennium Field - The ropes on some play equipment have dropped and either need replacing or the fixings need moving to bring them up. Some fixing covers are also missing. The Vice Chairman is investigating the repair with Playdale.
- Playdale are due to install the new swings week commencing 28th March. DCM are due to put the new play area surface in week commencing 4th April at the earliest.
- The Vice Chairman was successful in her application to The Woodland Trust for 420 Wild Wood saplings for open and wet areas. They will be planted around the outside of the Millennium Field for which volunteers will be needed. The trees are due to arrive between 28th February and 18th March.

10. Meetings

The Vice Chairman and Cllr Smith attended Neighbourhood Planning training. Once the VALP is approved, Shabbington will need to consider a village plan to work out where Shabbington would want any new developments to be situated.

11. Items for information

- The Chairman will publish a new edition of the Shabbington News this month. It will include a request for ideas of how to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. A request not to park on pavements will also be included.



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- Cllr Smith will be trialling the newly purchased speed gun. Hi-vis vests should be worn for this. The Chairman plans to organise a traffic survey to monitor lorries coming through the village.
- The Ramblers Association are looking into the 'Donate a Gate' scheme for replacing the stile down the Millennium Field track.

12. Date of next meeting

Monday 14th March 2022 at 7.30pm.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.25pm.