



SHABBINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Shabbington Parish Council meeting in St Mary Magdelene Church, Shabbington, on Monday January 21st 2019 at 7.30 p.m.

Attendance

Alan Powell (Chair), Stephen Capaldi (Vice Chair), Miriam Boswell, Maria Millan, Linda Neil. 2 members of the public.

1. Apologies were received from Helen Spurgeon (Clerk). Cllr Boswell agreed to take the minutes.

2. Declarations of Interest

Cllr Powell informed the meeting he would be speaking about expenses received in respect of his recent trip to Brezova.

3. Minutes of the previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 12 November 2018 were approved and signed by Cllr Powell.

4. Public Participation

A member of the public asked what was happening about the state of the road by Homes Close. The Chairman informed them that he had taken photos of the road and had forwarded these to Bucks Fix My Street. He also spoke about it at the LAF meeting in December and was told the matter was being investigated. He also spoke to Dave Smith about the numbers of HGVs going through the village and was told that Shabbington was not on an approved HGV route.

Cllr Boswell confirmed that Shabbington is on the gritting route because of School Bus routes.

Cllr Clive Harriss had chaired the LAF meeting and promised to facilitate a meeting with himself, Cllr Paul Irwin and Cllr Powell to discuss the HGV and other traffic affecting Homes Close, Ickford Road and Mill Road.

A HGV Strategy Survey had been carried out online and Cllr Powell had responded on behalf of the village.

A member of the public stated that he had been trained to use the Sentinel Speedwatch equipment and wondered when it would be put to use.

The Clerk will be asked to contact Sue Severn for some dates when we might be able to borrow the equipment. It was agreed that a meeting would be arranged to get the team together for running some checks in the Spring.

Simon Barker has agreed to organize a Village Litter Pick in early April.

5. Neighbourhood Police Report

No neighbourhood police attended. No report was forwarded.

6. Finance



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The payment run was approved and signed off by Cllr. Powell and Cllr. Capaldi.

SHABBINGTON PARISH COUNCIL - PAYMENT RUN 14th January 2019			
Payee	Chq. No/BACS	Detail	£
Mrs H Spurgeon	BACS	Net salary Parish Clerk 24 hours net pay £276, office £50, expenses £30.80	£ 356.80
Mr Alan Powell	BACS	Printing costs including ink/paper for Shabbington News	£ 41.00
DD payments			
E-on	DD	Quarterly charge street lighting	£ 260.09
123-Reg	DD	Website hosting	£ 23.99
Sage	DD	Payroll software	£ 7.20
Total payments			£ 689.08

The accounts to 31st December 2018 were approved by the Council.

Cllr Powell explained how travelling expenses to four representatives of the village, including himself, had been paid by the event organisers for the Brezova Piknik event in the Czech Republic. A total of £503 had been received to cover airfares and car hire. This had been paid through the bank account of two other participants, Ray and Ruth Bradley, who had organized our participation and who have a holiday home in Brezova.

The motion to set the Precept demand for 2019/20 at £14,250 was proposed by Cllr Capaldi and seconded by Cllr Neil. A vote was taken and passed unanimously.

7. Planning

Application 18/04204: Land off Ickford Road – Whilst councillors were not opposed to the principle of development of this site it was considered that the current application represented over development of the site and in particular would be overbearing in relation to adjoining properties. There were also concerns about the impact on the public footpath and about highway access at this dangerous section of Ickford Road. However, it was noted that an amended application was to be submitted and would be considered at a future meeting.

Application 19/00221: Land at Lower Haynes Farm (formerly Marsh Barns) - The Parish Council considered this application but felt that clarification of some issues was required before a decision could be made. In consequence it was agreed that the following points should be made to AVDC:

1. The planning classification for the barns on this site was changed to 'commercial storage' some 4- 5 years ago but this application implies that the current planning use is 'agricultural'. We would like to clarify the current classification and whether this application is for the same planning use.



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2. The barns have not been used for agricultural purposes for some years, so we are surprised to see the planning application which suggests the barns are to be used for livestock. It would be helpful if the applicant could confirm that the site is to be returned to agricultural use and not made available for industrial processes similar to those that have occurred in the last 5 years.
3. The application refers to the repair and replacement of the existing fire damaged barn, but the plan appears to show a building which is larger than the former barn.

8. Street Lights

We are still awaiting LED replacement bulbs for two streetlights which are currently out of action.

9. Millennium Field and Pond Garden

The ROSPA report last year highlighted the degrading rubber safety surface around the Play Equipment. The Chair has spoken with Paul Stephens about making a more substantial repair but this requires warmer and drier weather conditions. Materials are being ordered.

All the other points raised in the report have been checked and work carried out or monitoring is continuing. Decay on some of the timber framework legs will necessitate replacement work in the future.

Complete Tree Services are booked to cut back four trees in the Pond Garden on 31st January.

10. Meetings

Cllrs Powell and Capaldi had attended a presentation by Highways England on the proposed Oxford-Cambridge Expressway. Public Consultation is due to start in Autumn 2019.

Cllrs Powell and Neil attended the December LAF meeting in Worminghall. A report had been circulated.

11. Date of Next Meeting

Monday 11th March 2019

The Parish Council would like to thank the PCC for allowing the use of the Church for this meeting.