

SHABBINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Shabbington Parish Council meeting held on Monday 8th March 2021 by video conference

Attendees

Cllrs Alan Powell (Chairman), Stephen Capaldi (Vice Chairman), Miriam Boswell, Maria Millan, Linda Neil. Helen Spurgeon (Parish Clerk), Cllrs Nic Brown & Cameron Branston.

1. Apologies for absence.

Cllrs M Rand and Brian Foster.

2. Declarations of interest in items on the agenda.

None.

3. To approve the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 11th January 2021.

The minutes were approved and agreed as a true record.

4. Public participation

Nic Brown from Chearsley introduced himself as Chairman of Chearsley Parish Council and Cameron Branston from Long Crendon introduced himself as Councillor in Grendon Underwood. They will be standing as a Conservative County Councillors for the Bernwood Ward in May of this year along with Brian Foster from Haddenham.

No public questions.

5. Village Survey.

Parish Charter – the consultation to submit comments on the proposed Parish Charter is open until 31st March. **Action:** Councillors to submit their comments to the Chairman.

Village Survey- the last one was carried out in 2010. The Chairman proposed that a small working group be set up to review and amend the previous survey and bring it up to date with more relevant questions. Carloyn Willis has volunteered to help. Views on topics such as the rebuilding of the Village Hut or perhaps building an annex onto the Church instead could be sought. As well as plans for improvements at the Millennium Field. Councillors agreed that the survey should be put on hold until after the May elections. The Parish Council could then consider the scope and governance arrangements.

6. Neighbourhood Policing report

A Community Speedwatch newsletter had been received which stated that 20mph speed limits in villages will be enforced by the police. The Chairman would like to review the speed limits in the village. It was reported that quad bikes are being driven around Dukes Close, mostly at weekends. **Action:** Cllr Millan to send details to Clerk to report to the Community Police Officer.

7. Finance

- The payment run was approved as circulated.
- Accounts to end February 2021, as circulated, were agreed. The bank balance stands at £12,639.10.
- Councillors agreed the appointment of JE Accountants as internal auditors for the year 2020/21.



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	Chq.			
Payee	No/BACS	Detail		
		Net salary Parish Clerk 24 hours net pay £324, office £50,		
Mrs H Spurgeon	BACS	phone wifi software £20	£	394.00
Zoom	Debit Card	Video conferencing	£	14.39
P J Stevens	BACS	Play area plastic caps	£	17.04
Mr A Powell	BACS	Printing costs including ink/paper for Shabbington News	£	42.00
DD payments				
Sage	DD	Payroll software	£	8.40
		Total payments	£	475.83

8. Planning

- 21/00412/APP Land Between Lulsgate And Old Bryers Close, Ickford Road, Shabbington Councillors have no objections to the provision of rooflights but do have concerns over the rewording of condition 10 to allow for the provision of Class E outbuildings.
- Planning Appeal: 20/00089/REF Upper Hayne Farm, Crendon Road, Shabbington HP18 9HA. This appeal has been allowed.
- Action: Clerk to contact Cllr M Rand regarding the stone crushing business which is operating at
 Marsh Barns and the mobile home which has been located at Upper Hayne Farm for some time. No
 response has been received from planning enforcement.
- 21/00575/APP Sycamore Barn, Marsh Road, Shabbington HP18 9HF

Action: Clerk to submit no objections to Bucks Council.

Harvest House, Crendon Road, Shabbington HP18 9HE

Single storey rear extension (amendment to planning permission 20/02331/APP).

Action: Clerk to submit no objections to Bucks Council.

9. Street lighting & street repairs

- A number of street repairs have been completed following reports on Fix My Street. However, others are still outstanding.
- Cllr Boswell has received a number of requests to replace the broken bench on Crendon Road which was removed. It was decided to defer this until after the election.
- Seville Homes did a good job replacing the damaged kerbing in Dukes Close.
- The Ickford Road walkway by Marsh Barns is still in a terrible state.

10. Millennium Field & Pond Garden

• One of the climbing net attachments has broken / rusted through at the Millennium Field play area. There is also a goal post stake missing. Cllr Neil has emailed Paul Stevens to see if he has any spare parts. The next play area inspection by RoSPA Play Safety is due in May at a cost of around £107. Cllr Neil has been exploring other options where the inspection is carried out by a company that can do all the work required and the inspection cost appears to be deducted from the cost of any repairs. Kompan offer two possible options. The play area is in need of work, otherwise it will become dangerous. Action: Cllr Neil to email details to councillors.



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 Pond Garden maintenance – the gardener needs some help with cutting back the larger shrubs. A small amount of funding will be needed. Cllr Neil will meet with the Chairman next Monday 15th March at 12pm to review.

11. Meetings

- There is a Freight Steering Group meeting coming up in March.
- The Chairman has taken part in webinars and a workshop for the Local Nature Recovery Survey.
 There are three volunteers already to co-ordinate the Shabbington response. Surveys and audits of local nature will be carried out. It may not be necessary to cut all of the verges in the village and an area of the churchyard could be set aside for a wildflower meadow.
- The flooding working party of the Community Board is led by an Ickford resident to deal with problems of flooding and development. Ickford Road is in a poor state after flood damage. There have been issues of residents getting to Ickford School because of flooding which has got worse over the last 18 months. Drainage channels will be looked at by members of this group.
- Elections "purdah" starts on Monday 22nd March to completion of polling day. Of the current 5 councillors, 2 are not standing, 2 are undecided and one will stand again. New people are needed for the Parish Council. The Chairman will compile a Shabbington News Election Special to be issued next week.

12. Date of next meeting

Monday 12th April 2021.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.50pm.