



SHABBINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Shabbington Parish Council meeting held on Monday 9th September 2019

Attendees

Cllrs Stephen Capaldi (Vice Chairman), Miriam Boswell, Maria Millan, Linda Neil.
Helen Spurgeon (Parish Clerk), 10 members of the public.

1. Apologies for absence.

Cllr Alan Powell.

2. Declarations of interest in items on the agenda.

Cllr Neil declared an interest in the Rectory Homes Ickford Road planning application.

3. To approve the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 8th July 2019.

The minutes were approved and signed by Cllr Capaldi as a true record.

4. Public participation

- A member of the public commented that the River Thame is overgrown with reeds and weeds so that the river is not visible. It needs dredging. **Action:** Clerk to inform the relevant authorities.
- A member of the public reported that the raised footpath near the Old Fisherman is overgrown and unwalkable on both the Bucks and Oxfordshire sections. **Action:** Clerk to report to BCC and OCC.
- A member of the public commented that the AVDC officers at the Rectory Homes Ickford Road planning appeal were very professional in their conduct.
- Concerns were expressed over speeding in the village. **Action:** Clerk to email Cllr Powell to see if he can organise for Shabbington to borrow the Sentinel Speedwatch equipment this autumn to carry out a speed check.
- A member of the public requested that people stick to public footpaths on private land and clear up any dog mess.

5. Bucks Council proposals for Community Boards

The new Bucks Council is looking to replace the Local Area Forums (LAF's) with new Community Boards. These would bring together Bucks Council councillors with local communities to help solve local issues. It is likely there will be 14 Community Boards. A public consultation is open until 30th September for Parish Councils to give their views.

6. Volunteers needed

Volunteers are invited to join a meeting about the Pond Garden. The garden requires some autumn work and views are invited. Date to be confirmed.

New play equipment for the Millenium Field is something which will be considered for next year's budget. Villagers had been invited to help by giving their views on future requirements for equipment.

7. Grass cutting



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- VAHT will no longer be cutting the verges in Dukes Close. This responsibility has been passed to the Parish Council who have been offered payment of £16.13 by BCC. The Clerk is awaiting a quote from RTM Landscapes for the cutting of these verges from 2020, not to include the verge at the bottom of Dukes Close where the new housing development is planned.
- Councillors agreed to the extension of the devolved services agreement with Bucks Council to 31/03/22.

8. Neighbourhood Policing report

No report this month.

A member of the public reported that there had been a recent break in at a property on Crendon Road. The thieves were attempting to steal the cars. There was a good police response.

9. Finance

The payment run was approved as circulated.

Accounts to end August 2019, as circulated, were agreed. The bank balance stands at £6539.31.

SHABBINGTON PARISH COUNCIL - PAYMENT RUN August 2019			
Payee	Chq. No/BACS	Detail	£
Mrs H Spurgeon	BACS	Net salary Parish Clerk 24 hours net pay £288, office £50, phone wifi software £20	£ 358.00
RTM Landscapes	BACS	Grass cutting July	£ 294.00
Farm Signs	Debit Card	Please keep dogs under close control signs x4	£ 30.18
M R Cross	BACS	Inv 3044 grass cuts play area x 2	£ 276.00
DD payments			
E-on	DD	Quarterly charge street lighting	£ 317.63
123-Reg	DD	Website hosting	£ 23.99
Sage	DD	Payroll software	£ 7.20
Total payments			£ 1,307.00

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Mrs H Spurgeon	BACS	Net salary Parish Clerk 24 hours net pay £288, office £50, phone wifi software £20	£ 358.00
RTM Landscapes	BACS	Grass cutting August + herbicide application	£ 624.00
DD payments			
123-Reg	DD	Website hosting	£ 23.99
Sage	DD	Payroll software	£ 7.20
Total payments			£ 1,013.19

10. Planning

- **18/00194 – Land off Ickford Road** - It was reported that the Rectory planning appeal had been dismissed and planning permission refused.
- **19/02982/APP The Paddock, Crendon Road, Shabbington**
Proposal for the demolition of 1 x existing bungalow and 1 x existing barn and erection of 5 new dwellings and associated parking.



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The application was considered and it was agreed to OPPOSE the application for the following reasons:

1. Over- intensive development of a small backland site.
 2. A narrow and potentially hazardous access/egress onto Crendon Road at a point very close to a busy junction and in an area where on-street parking will obstruct the visibility of emerging vehicles.
 3. Impact on wildlife notably bats which we understand roost in the barns.
 4. Loss of heritage buildings.
 5. Injurious impact on the amenity of a number of adjacent premises.
- **19/03181/APP Land At Franklins Farm Adjacent To Dukes Close, Shabbington**
Addition of a timber frame car port to Unit 1 – Amendment to application 17/02204/APP
This application was received after the publication of this meeting's agenda.
Councillors agreed to submit NO OBJECTIONS to AVDC.

11. Street lighting & street repairs

- Two street lights have been reported that are flickering on and off. Outside 10 Marsh Road and 2 Lower Farm Close. **Action:** Clerk to report to Aylesbury Mains for repair.
- It was reported that the hedge in Mill Road is overgrown. **Action:** Cllr Millan to contact owner.
- The allotment rents are now due. Cllr Boswell reported that Jackie Harman was coordinating the collection of rents. The Parish Council expressed their thanks to Jackie for her help with this.

12. Millennium Field & Pond Garden

It is hoped that the Pond Garden meeting will be held in October.

A meeting was held on 7th August with Wicksteed to look at potential new play equipment for the Millenium Field. Quotes have now been received. It was suggested that the Parish Council may be able to obtain a grant towards new play equipment. **Action:** Cllr Boswell to circulate details of the grant obtained by Oakley. A member of the public suggested that the play area could be raised and fenced in to prevent flooding and dog fouling.

13. Meetings

Cllrs Powell and Neil attended the BMKALC meeting on 24th July. Heathrow Airport expansion plans were discussed. Fly tipping was on the agenda, any culprits will be prosecuted. The meeting was attended by Rachael Shimmin, Chief Executive of Bucks Council.

14. Date of next meeting

Monday 14th October 2019

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.20pm.