



SHABBINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Shabbington Parish Council meeting held on Monday 12th January 2026

Attendees

Cllrs Angie Kirkwood-Lalanne (Vice Chairman), Miriam Boswell, Maria Millan, Chris Davies. Helen Spurgeon (Parish Clerk), 6 members of the public.

1. Apologies for absence

Cllr Richard Hall (Chairman).

2. Declarations of interest in items on the agenda.

None.

3. To approve the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 10th November 2025.

The minutes were approved and agreed as a true record.

4. Public participation

- There are still tickets left for the Burns Night celebration on 24th January in the Village Hut.
- It was confirmed that the grit box which has gone missing will be replaced.
- A resident reported that her dog was attacked back in November by another dog which escaped its garden by jumping over the fence. This has happened to other dogs in the village and was reported to the police. The resident asked what support is available. **Action:** Vice Chairman to reach out to the dog owner and to put out a communication on the Shabby People WhatsApp group asking people to report any further incidents to the police.
- A resident spoke about the planning application for the Franklins Farm access track. Local residents are willing to collaborate but the applicant is not forthcoming. The resident felt there was a lack of transparency and that the development potential of the land would be increased if access was granted. The PC's support was requested. There are safety concerns, the road surface is not suitable for agricultural vehicles, there are concerns over drainage and the access over someone else's land is unreasonable.

5. Matters arising from previous Minutes

- **Millenium Field track.** Cllr Davies and John Kirkwood will repair the potholes in the track in the spring.
- **Dog bin relocation** from the footpath crossroads to the Millennium Field car park. **Action:** Cllr Davies to provide the clerk with the what3words location for the move.
- **Picket fencing around play area.** **Action:** Vice Chairman to speak to another PC about a similar project.
- **Hedges on the Millennium Field track.** **Action:** Cllr Millan to confirm when these will be cut back.
- **Overhanging tree Dukes Close.** This is blocking a streetlight. **Action:** Vice Chairman to take a look.

6. Shabbington Nature Network Update

The monthly water testing of the river has been done. The results were within the usual range.



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7. Projects 2026

We need to canvas the village for proposals and priorities for projects. It was agreed to send out a questionnaire in both digital (using Microsoft Forms) and paper format with an accompanying letter of guidance. The Vice Chairman agreed to draft the questionnaire.

The Development Proposal Pro Forma draft created by Cllr Davies was discussed. It was agreed that we do need it but that it could perhaps be condensed. Councillors voted in favour of using the form. Cllr Davies has a completed proposal form to circulate.

8. Finance

- The payment runs for December and January were approved as circulated.
- Accounts to end December 2025, as circulated, were agreed. The bank balance stands at £32,005, of which £382 is SNN funds.
- Councillors unanimously agreed the proposed budget for 2026/27. Councillors unanimously agreed the 2026/27 Precept request of £32,000.

SHABBINGTON PARISH COUNCIL - PAYMENT RUN December 2025			
Payee	Chq. No/BACS	Detail	
Shabbington Village Community Trust	BACS	Village Hall hire PC meeting 8/12	£ 10.00
BMKALC	BACS	Data protection training HS & RH	£ 100.00
Playdale Playgrounds	BACS	Playground repairs 50% balance	£ 194.82
Janet Jackson	BACS	bluebell bulbs SNN	£ 18.99
Mrs H Spurgeon	BACS	Net salary Parish Clerk 24 hours £324.40, office £50, phone wifi software £20	£ 394.40
DD payments			
Lloyds Bank	DD	Banking fee	£ 4.25
Sage	DD	Payroll software	£ 13.20
			Total payments £ 735.66

SHABBINGTON PARISH COUNCIL - PAYMENT RUN January 2026			
Payee	Chq. No/BACS	Detail	
Bucks Council	BACS	dog waste service 01.04.25 to 31.03.26	£ 288.00
Sue Maddex	BACS	AED battery	£ 279.65
Mrs H Spurgeon	BACS	Net salary Parish Clerk 24 hours £324.40, office £50, phone wifi software £20	£ 394.40
DD payments			
Lloyds Bank	DD	Banking fee	£ 4.25
Npower	DD	street lighting energy Oct to Dec	£ 258.95
Sage	DD	Payroll software	£ 13.20
			Total payments £ 1,238.45
Receipts			
JE Jackson	FPI	SNN calendar sales	-£ 460.00

9. Planning

25/02137/APP Franklins Farm, Ickford Road, Shabbington HP18 9HN

The PC opposes the application and will submit a slightly reworded objection taking into account concerns raised and discussions had at this meeting. As the reason for the application is the development of the equestrian business, there are significant safety concerns about the unsuitability of Dukes Close for agricultural and equestrian vehicles.

10. Street lighting & street repairs



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There are a number of highways issues including parked cars, potholes, flooding, speeding and road name signs. The Vice Chairman will contact highways to arrange an on site meeting.

11. Millennium Field & Pond Garden

Nothing to report.

12. Meetings

Nothing to report.

13. Items for information

A decision is still awaited on the proposed Acorn Anaerobic Digester.

14. Date of next meeting in the Village Hut

Monday 9th March 2026 at 7.30pm

There being no further business the Vice Chairman closed the meeting at 8.19pm.