

Shotteswell Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 10th October 2017 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall, Shotteswell.

Present were: Cllrs Faulkner (Chair), J Burgess, V Ingram (Clerk), A Omer, M Pearson, J Feilding (SDC)

Apologies: C Williams (WCC)

Members of the Public: 6

Declaration of Interest: None

Minutes of the previous meeting having been previously circulated were approved and signed as a correct record. Proposed by Cllr Faulkner, Seconded by Cllr Pearson.

Matters Arising:

Trees & Highways:

Nothing further on road surfaces, but it was noted that the B4100 is deteriorating and the white lines disappearing. The trees threatening electric wires have been reported. Undergrounding of electric wires in parts of the village is due to commence in the New Year.

Bus Shelter: The water butt drum had been painted, our thanks to Cllr Burgess husband for doing this.

Playing Field: The ROSPA hard copy report had not yet been received, but the field had passed inspection, there were a few items highlighted, which will be addressed. Problems with dogs being taken into the field persist. The carpet had been removed from the tree house and the floor will be cleaned shortly. The header on the zip wire needs attention and may need replacing. Concern was expressed by people from outside the village using the field in the evening inappropriately, this will need to be monitored.

Dog fouling: This has been flagged as an issue, which is not improving, it was noted that most owners are responsible but others are not being considerate. A letter was to be sent to all residents asking for cooperation in keeping the village clean to be sent.

Fly Tipping: Builders materials reported on the Mollington Road and mattress by the bench. It was felt that the charges recently introduced at Alkerton tip, may see this type of thing increase

Finance paid since last meeting Proposed by Cllr Burgess Seconded by Cllr Pearson

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It was decided to maintain the donation to the Poppy Appeal at £50

The Parish Council had another clean audit and incurred no charges.

Request received for a contribution to the Church had been received which was agreed in principal but further information required before approval.

Village Hall: Meeting had been held where the future of the hall was debated. Despite a proposal to explore the possibility of a new hall elsewhere in the village this was voted against at the meeting. Application to trim the tree at the hall is to be submitted.

Footpaths: Dog fouling signs obtained but these were only plastic sticker types, would need to be mounted and not likely to weather well. Jim Page Memorial footpath had been dedicated from permissive to a public right of way. Thanks, were expressed to the Page family who had recently sold the land but ensured the dedication was in place as a permanent memorial to the late Jim Page. It was reported that new sleepers were to be installed over the ditch next to the sewerage field footpath, and then the kissing gates were to be tackled. Cllr Faulkner to check measurements of the gates.

Horton Hospital: Judicial Review to be heard in December as the OCCG had refused to see reason and they are soldiering on regardless. Even representations by the various MPs appear to be to no avail.

Parish Plan: Meeting held 14th Sept, a request to submit the plan to SDC was made.

Planning Applications:

District Council report: Cllr Feilding reported that the OSC had met and raised the issue of emergency plans in view of major incidences such as the Grenfell Tower. It was questioned that if there were to be an incident at the MOD camp it appears soldiers would go around in jeeps to let us know. Also in view of some of the traffic using the M40 concerns that there could be an incident, contact details to be provided in due course. In March, the Highways will attend a meeting with SDC. 2018 Shakespeare Celebrations to be bigger in conjunction with the interest shown by China to build Shakespeare world over there. There are to be some competitions to attract greater interest and it is hoped this will escalate throughout the district rather than just being Stratford centric. OCCG meeting will include representatives from Warwick's CCG and the ambulance service. The CAB service will be on hand to help with any issues that might arise with the incoming Universal Credit.

County Council report: Allocation of funding from central government still has to be resolved. Children's Centres generated a significant number of responses (over 1,200). These responses will be considered for proposals to be made by the Cabinet at their meeting on 9th November 2017.

Public Health – The Director of Public Health has issued a report to local people about the health of their community. The report tells us that Health and Wellbeing in our district is generally reported as good compared to England overall. However, the report identifies significant variations in different areas across the county.

There are areas where health outcomes have deteriorated; for example, hospital admissions as a result of injuries in childhood (0 to 14 years) are at a higher level than the national figure. Life expectancy has been rising - but while it is good that we are living longer, much of the additional time is spent in poor health - around 12 years for men and 16 years for women. Years spent in poor health impact on families and workplaces, and increase pressure on health and especially social care service.

Meeting closed at 20.51

Next Meeting arranged provisionally for 9th January 2018