

Shotteswell Parish Council

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Shotteswell Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 19th November 2019 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall, Shotteswell.

Present were: Cllrs Faulkner (Chair), J Burgess, V Ingram (Clerk), M Pearson & B Zammett

Apologies: J Feilding (SDC) C Williams (WCC)

Members of the Public: 4

Declaration of Interest: Cllr Zammett IRO of Orbit Lease

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

Matters Arising:

Highways & Trees: The dead tree on the triangle by the Village Hall had been felled and stump ground. Walnut tree on the small green has had a formative prune and the birch tree trimmed back. Quote to prune the Cherry tree on the Village Green had been sought and permission to undertake the works had been submitted and granted by SDC. Quote to trim the remaining hedge on the playing field has been received, but needs an element of clarification. The tree outside of Squirrel Cottage has again been raised with WCC and the broken bough on an adjacent tree reported.

All outstanding items raised with WCC which included further faults including a broken manhole cover on Mollington road, this had been coned off in the meantime. Following the request from the Parish Council that the white lines on the B4100 be repainted, this work had been undertaken. The Parish Council are grateful to WCC for undertaking this work, the hatch markings are a safety feature that the Parish Council had lobbied for and was therefore important to keep in good condition.

Bakehouse Lane work is on the system to be done, but no specific date as yet.

Litter bins around the village that are in a poor state of repair (outside the telephone kiosk and Bakehouse Lane) have been flagged for replacement.

The Clerk had met with Western Power with a view to seeing what further undergrounding could be undertaken as a result the wires leading from behind the Village Hall leading to Church Farm are down to be undergrounded. The Clerk had also chased the works for Middle Lane and Snuff Lane.

Playing Field: The vehicular gate to the playing field needed to be secured and as a result, had been double padlocked. Estimate for repairs still pending for playing field and other previously mentioned items. Police are now undertaking regular checks in the village which includes a sweep of the playing field, this was appreciated and several members of the Parish Council are making random checks in the evenings, car registration numbers are being taken.

Letter received requesting that the top of the field be left for wildlife and not cut so often, due to being mindful of the move to leave such areas to encourage more butterflies and bees. Bonfire to be lit asap

Fly-tipping: Three reports made since last meeting one of which was for the neighbouring parish of Mollington. Bags dumped in Mollington Road ditch and also at the B4100 layby. It was expressed that charging at the local tip didn't appear to be helping and that this had increased since charges were introduced at the Alkerton tip. Wellesbourne does not impose charges for domestic waste, but it was appreciated that this was further to travel.

Dog Fouling issue on the Green and Back Hill, which appeared to be due to unaccompanied dogs.

Reports were also noted in Middle Lane.

Green Bin waste consultation, potential charges of £40 per bin, the council objected to this proposal and Cllr Ingram would check to see if it had been advertised in the View magazine.

Hospital: Cllr Ingram had attended the meeting held in the Town Hall, Banbury, following long discussions, the HOSC had referred the decision to downgrade maternity services back to the Secretary of State. Nothing further to report as still with IRP and due to purdah unlikely to be considered further until after the election. Victoria Prentis had prior to the announcement of the election met with the Chancellor to seek seed funding for the Horton which is a positive move. The campaign can take credit, however, for having saved A&E and the children's services.

Police Meeting: Cllr Ingram had attended the meeting held at Primrose Hill Farm.

May Celebrations, planning to start in the New Year for this National Event.

Finance paid since the last meeting :

Tree felling £240	U Bus £50
Poppy Wreath £50	Walnut Tree £96
Prop by Cllr Burgess	Seconded Cllr Faulkner

Terms for Lease for Playing Field had now been agreed, following an item being queried by Cllr Ingram.

New Road: Following a meeting with Orbit, a short term lease would be offered to the council whereby the residents of New Road would then no longer pay for ground maintenance approx £1,200 per household. This would be for 12months to allow the necessary mop-up work to take place of outstanding legal matters. Proposed by Cllr Pearson Seconded by Cllr Faulkner

Quote for further hedge cutting had been received, but required clarification.

General annual hedge trimming work booked in

Planning

19/03061/FUL Construction of garden room The Old Coach house

19/02980/ Tree Street Works Maple and cherry tree approved

19/0816/Tree Orchard House approved

19/02361/ Tree Squirrel Cottage, approved

 Airfield proposal for further hangers, pending

No reports received from either District or County Councillors.

Meeting closed at 8.15pm

