

Shotteswell Parish Council

**Draft Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting
held at 7.30pm on Tuesday 12th November 2024 at the Village Hall, Shotteswell.**

Present were: Cllrs Faulkner (Chair), J Burgess, V Ingram (Clerk).
(SDC), Cllr Mills (WCC)

Cllr Gist

Apologies: Cllr B Zammett, M Pearson

Members of the Public: 1

Declaration of Interest: None

Minutes of the previous meeting were proposed by Cllr Faulkner and Seconded by Cllr Burgess

Matters Arising:

Cllr Mills gave his report owing to being committed to other meetings. Concern was expressed over the safety of water beads and highlighting the risks to children. It was suggested writing to the MP to see if a government ban could be arranged. Poster about winter care given to be displayed on the notice board.

Highways and Trees:

Following the last meeting the Council obtained a full report of the gully cleaning of Shotteswell which took place in June. Although this was a very extensive list it was condensed down to the village specifically and had been studied in great detail. A report of the findings along with photographs had been sent to Highways, although they have stated that it will be a while before it can be attended to given the recent spell of bad weather. Areas of concern are Bakehouse Lane and Mollington Road area. Salt bin in Bakehouse Lane had been knocked into the road, the highways team had kindly returned to right the bin and dug the bin more into the bank for greater security. The road is deteriorating along Church Lane and photos had been sent to the council. Repairs on the B4100 had been completed and thanks were extended to the Highways team. Reports of a dog becoming ill after drinking from the stream by the sewerage field have been sent to Thames Water, to see if they could take a sample and check for contaminants. The annual tidy up had been booked and was expected imminently. Trees not ordered as yet for the bank. New Road, the legal process trundles on and as yet not finished. Latest action was confirming the boundary of Laurel Farm for their land search. Spraying of passing bays still to be done.

Bus Shelter: The majority of the ivy had been cleared from the Back Wall leaving one of the sides still to be cleared. The bench on the Village Green had been varnished. The bin by the bus shelter had been replaced.

Fly tipping a few incidents reported since the last meeting and a report had been made to Cherwell regarding rubbish thrown by the motorway overbridge.

Playing Field: Owing to the bad weather the tree house had not been dismantled but hopefully would be within the next couple of weeks and likewise the bird guards would be fitted at the same time. Other items to be attended to were contained in the report.

Finance: Paid since last meeting None

Planning Applications: Tree applications from the Old Bakehouse and Sunnyview

District Councillor Report: The Cllr encouraged people who were eligible to claim pension credit. The District Council had written to the government asking them to reconsider the removal of the winter fuel payment. A new initiative to combat knife crime had been taken in collaboration with Warwick District Council. This was interactive and would be aimed at 10-14 year old school students.

Cllr Mills left the meeting at 7.50pm

Meeting closed at 8.07pm

Next Meeting provisionally arranged for 14th January 2025