

Shotteswell Parish Council

**Draft Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting
held at 7.30 pm on Thursday, 17th of July 2025, at the Village Hall, Shotteswell.**

Present were: Cllrs Faulkner (Chair), V Ingram (Clerk), M Pearson & B Zammett, Cllr Mills (WCC) (arrived at 8 pm,) Cllr Gist (SDC)

Apologies: None

Members of the Public: 8

Declaration of Interest: None

Minutes of the previous meeting were proposed by Cllr Pearson and seconded by Cllr Faulkner.

Matters Arising:

Highways and Trees: Further potholes had been reported in Chapel Lane. The repair had been made on the Mollington Road and a request for the “SLOW” sign repainting had been ordered. However, this would have to wait until the white lining, which is also on order, takes place.

The order for a replacement horse sign had been submitted, but it may take a while to fulfil. The suggestion of a further “SLOW” sign on Second Turn had been raised but would need to come out of our County Councillors' delegated budget to undertake the survey. If this proved to be too costly, it might be helpful to have a further horse sign on the Second Turn given that horses do hack this route. Cllr Mills had been contacted to see what budget was available and for suggestions.

Various water leaks had been repaired on the Mollington Road since the last meeting. Although a road closure had been put in place for the sewerage field nothing appeared to have taken place.

The Parish Council had been successful in retaining the telephone kiosk and had the telephone repaired in the process; our thanks to the residents who helped support this.

Trees: Cllr Gist had kindly forwarded the District Council's offer of trees, and an application of interest had been sent.

The tree to be dedicated to Cllr Burgess was still in progress and would be sited in Middle Lane.

The New Road Garages are virtually finished and four garages would shortly be available to rent.

Bus Shelter: Bus Shelter, the apron has been weeded. The post by the bus shelter needs repairing as it is wobbly.

Fly tipping: Only a few bin bags were left by the side of the bin on the B4100. But some had been reported on the Second Turn in a gateway.

Dog Fouling: Some fouling reported on the footpaths leading to the Falcon and in the playing field.

Playing Field Following a recent inspection, it was noted that the rocking horse required repairing and these repairs were already in progress.

The pigeon guards over the swings needed replacing, and Cllr Faulkner would sort this out. The steps leading to the playing field from Coronation Lane had been deteriorating for some time. Given that wood has a limited shelf life it appeared that the steps were nearing the end. It was considered that it might be something that the parish council should consider helping to replace, and it was agreed that a solution needed to be found. It was suggested that there could be a possibility of a grant to partway fund this, and perhaps Cllr Mills, when he arrived, could be asked if this was possible.

The contractor reported that he has noticed more dog fouling in the field.

Another successful fete was held in the playing field

Finance: Paid since last meeting: Proposed by Cllr Faulkner, seconded by Cllr Zammett

Playing Field Rent £530	Defib Cabinet & Battery £945.60
Land Registry £45	Insurance £631.56
Printing £199	Defib Pads, tape,ink & plants £476.81

Planning

25/01530/Tree Enchanted Cottage -Dead

25/01303/FUL Orchard House First Floor Extension

25/01508/Tree The Mount Fell

25/01132/FUL Sunny View New entrance, extension, garage

District Council Report

Residents need to re-register for postal votes

District Councils' preferred option over Unitary Authorities would be going out for further engagement with the community. This option, promoted by the District Council would see a North/South divide of the county.

The council felt it could demonstrate a 5.6-year housing supply, but this was being examined by the Inspectorate.

Some police engagement had taken place over community policing

Health Screening tests at £14 a test for prostate and diabetes are being held at Stratford.

County Council Report:

Penderels Trust has a fund available to make direct payments to people to help them fund social care needs.

SEND families are being encouraged to join the county's disabilities register

Child immunisation was being promoted.

Local transport survey being sent to random households throughout the county.

Residents to be made aware of scam QR codes on parking meters and encouraged to use Ringo or cash instead.

Cllr Mills invited an application towards the cost of replacing the steps

Debate over whether Second Turn was wide enough to accept a SLOW sign.

Meeting closed at 8.08 pm

Next Meeting provisionally arranged for 10th of October 2025