

Shalford Parish Council

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of meeting held on Wednesday 21st March 2007 at 8.00p.m. At Shalford Village Hall. Present Cllrs A K Oates acting chairman

A P Bedding

J Phipps

D Eversden

C Fowler

C Carlisle, Parish Clerk

Moira Groborz

5 members of the public

06/95 Cllr Oates welcomed everyone to the meeting and explained that Moira Groborz from RCCE would open the meeting with an update on the survey taken place in 2005, followed an open forum discussion, about the Shalford Newsletter/Parish Magazine.

06/96 Moira Groborz (Affordable Housing)

Circle Anglia is proposing an open day on the 21st April to share information and proposals for 17 homes to be built on a site near the Council amenity site on Braintree Road. The Parish Council reported that they did not see or have anything to do with the survey done in 2005, and suggested that another survey be done with a simpler questionnaire.

The 17 homes would consist of shared ownership and rented homes these would be offered to people in the village and then surrounding villages, this could include Braintree.

Moira did mention that a new package was being produced, for the Parish Council to take a look at, as soon as possible. The package to be ready for the Open Day on the 21st April in the Village Hall when villagers are invited to fill in the questionnaire and look at Circle Anglia's proposal.

Moira Groborz is to send all details and some posters to the clerk for distribution.

06/106 Shalford Newsletter/Shalford Parish Mag

An open discussion took place re the possible combining of these two publications. The Parish Council said that it would not attempt to adjudicate on the issue, as both publications are independently

- 06/97 **Declarations of interest- none declared.**
06/98 **Apologies for absence - Jenni Harrison (Illness)**
06/99 **Minutes were approved** but it was suggested that Cllr Oates draft a letter of thanks to be sent to the of the website prize of £500

06/100 Matters arising on the minutes

It had been agreed that a notice board surface be put in the bus shelter near the Village hall. This has been done we are now awaiting an invoice.

06/101 Correspondence

Website we have got through to the last 8 for the website competition. We have 2 website www.thelocalchannel.co.uk/shalford and www.essexinfo.net/shalford Cllr Phipps suggested that we put all our efforts into the essexinfo site. VOTES NEEDED!

Cllr Eversden to setup a private area on the essexinfo site. Where the parish council can put information

Quiet lanes there are two in the area. Their acceptibility is being monitored - evaluation completion 2009.

Elections Cllrs where reminded that all election forms must be in by the 4th April to Causeway House Braintree.

Clerk to check her contract of employment.

06/102 Finance

- 102.1 £170.00 Clerks Salary
- 102.2 £780.27 Clerks Expenses
- 102.3 £141.00 Audit Fee
- 102.4 £50.00 Verge cutting
- 102.5 £93.20 Viking Direct
- 102.6 £55.33 Newsletter printing

These were agreed for payment

102.7 £25.00 Essex Playing Fields (Clerk to check last years account)

102.4 Insurance

Clerk to check what is covered on policy.

102.5 Clerk to provide Budget 2007/08 to all cllrs.

103.5 Village Hall Grant Cllr Oates had spoken with Charlotte Lutus, who send she would relook at re-submitting the V.H requests for funds.

06/103 Footpaths

Footpaths Map on the rear face of the map we will include various interest items some historical notes on Shalford, places of interest, Wildlife sites, etc

Cllr Oates to contact Dorothy Gardener re further information.

06/104 Planning

Clerk to check Foxes Cottage Application status
Wedgewood Cottage has been rejected by Braintree DC.
Lones Holes Application has been refused.

06/105 Highways & Transport

Report received from ECC Highways saying that they are contemplating no action at the Pads Brook/Victoria Hill.

Cllr Oates sent an email to Cllr Tim Wilkinson, Cllr Roger Walters and Bob Wiltshire regarding the report and suggested an on site meeting. Which Cllr Walters is keen to attend. Cllr Phipps suggested a time between 7.45am and 8.30am on a Tuesday. Date to be confirmed.

Hulls Lane work has started.

Cllr Oates saw Matt Gardner (Highways) and spoke about the state of the road on Waters Lane and Garrets lane near Parsonage Farm. Also showed Matt Gardner that further work was needed on The Causeway.

The missing road signs have been reported again, also the combined 30mph and place signs.

06/107 AGM to be held on the 16th May at 8pm
APM to be held on the 16th May at 7pm

06/107 Any other business

Best Kept Villages it was agreed that Shalford would not enter this year.

A wheelbarrow went missing in Braintree Road.
Local farmer had wire fencing cut, apparently by vandals, and cattle had got out.

Meeting closed at 10.20

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 18th April 2007 at 8.00 p.m. in Shalford Village Hall.