

SHALFORD PARISH COUNCIL

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The minutes of the Parish Council, meeting held on Wednesday, 18th June 2008.

Present John Phipps (Chairman)
Alan Oates
Andrew Hull
Dave Isbell
David Eversden
Jenni Harrison
Cathryn Carlisle Parish Clerk

8 Members of the public

08/31 Welcome and Apologies for Absence
Colin Golding

08/32 The minutes of the PC meeting held on Monday 19th May 2008 were amended and signed.

08/33 Declarations of interest
None

08/34 Public participation session with respect to items on the agenda and other matters that are of mutual interest.

Steven North of Water Lane reported that vehicles going along Water Lane are speeding, (White Vans and Rally's at night) is there anyway the Parish Council could help to slow these vehicles down before a serious accident happens.

The Council suggested Mr North contacts the Clerk in writing so that we can put this on next month's agenda for discussion.

6 members of the public attended thinking that Dr Cutts would be giving a presentation. Dr Cutts is in the process of buying the old shop opposite the village hall and reopening it as a shop. They were informed that once the purchase has gone through the Parish Council will ask Dr Cutts if he can give a presentation to the village. It would be on a separate evening from a parish council meeting.

08/35 Action Updates and on going items

08/35.1 Parking Restrictions out-side school

The Chairman proposed we write to ECC Highways Dept regarding this matter indicating the PC frustration.

CC TW/RW all previous correspondence to RW

This was agreed by all Council

08/35.2 Signage Church End Shalford

Clerk to give Cllr Eversden a copy of the letter received from ECC Highways who was responsible for the original letter, to check details once checked

Clerk to write to ECC Highway thanking them.

08/35.3 Park End Lane

Council to write to ECC Highways with regards to the progress on Park End Lane.

Proposed Cllr Oates Seconded Cllr Hull

CC TW & RW all previous correspondence to RW

08/35.4 Speed watch

Cllr Isbell has got 10 peoples name who expressed interest in being trained.

08/35.5 Dry Gulcher Day (to receive a report) [Adden1](#)

Was a success

08/35.6 Stoneley Park

No progress

08/35.7 Footpath Map

The Map is moving forward, it has been suggested that we put A6 size photo's on the reverse side of the map with the text.

The map should be ready for the fete in Sept.

Cllr Oates

08/35.8 Hedges

Progress is in hand Highways are conducting a boundary search ref Abbots Hall Land they will then be in contact with the owner.

PC have been informed by Ian Smith (Goldsticks) he will be cutting his hedge before the amenity site as soon as regulations allow.

ECC Highways has informed us that the hedge outside the amenity site has been put on the works schedule.

08/35.9 Eco Village (to agree the content of a letter to Galliard Homes)

Clerk to send letter as agreed by all council.

CC to RW/TW, John Mitchell Uttlesford DC, Wendy Smit BDC,

Nick Sutcliffe Bosted Wood Consultation.

Clerk

08/35.10 Bus Shelters and Bins (to agree the employment of a contractor)

Clerk to put Adverts in Wethersfield PO/Finchingfield PO/Blue Egg with regards to a handy man.

Clerk to get a quote for John Richardson Finchingfields Handy man.

Clerk to ask MDLandscapes to reconsider their quote.

Clerk

08/35.11 Phone Box outside Clifffield

Clerk to draft letter to BDC Alan Massow

Some residents from the village have already written to BDC

08/36 Planning Applications

08/01053/LBC Abbots Hall Braintree Road Shalford

Proposed works to front elevation - remove modern bay window; proposed new balcony at first floor level; replace two existing sash windows with casement doors; replace masonry paint on stone porch with pozilime.

Proposed works to rear elevation - replace existing Georgian wired glass to veranda roof with clear toughened

Supported Application

08/00795/FUL Fairmead Garrets Lane Shalford Braintree

Proposed extension and alterations to main dwelling

Objected to Application

08/00968/FUL Ewen Bridge Farm Iron Bridge Shalford

Formalisation of change of use for vegetable plot, including "engineering works" edging for paths.

Supported Application

Cllr Phipps would like all Cllrs involved in planning to attend a planning training course at the EALC.

08/36.1 Planning Results

08/00745/FUL Fairmead Garrets Lane Shalford Braintree Essex CM7 5BA

Replacement garage roof with velux windows, retention of garden store, retain existing access and rebuild frontage wall.

Granted

08/00766/FUL 2 Water Lane Shalford Braintree Essex CM7 4QU

Erection of single storey extension as a substitute for the originally approved conservatory not proceeded with.

Refused

08/00774/FUL Barnsdale The Street Shalford Braintree Essex CM7 5HL

Erection of rear conservatory

Granted

08/00794/FUL Barnsdale The Street Shalford Braintree Essex CM7 5HL

Retrospective consent for use of annex as holiday let

Granted

08/37 Finance

08/37.1	£171.80	Clerks Salary	
08/37.2	£11.92	Clerks Expenses	
08/37.3	£100.00	Shalford Historical Soc	Dry Gulcher Donation
Do not pay until we have invoice from SLHA			
08/37.4	£517.50	Bramleys Headland	Footpaths cutting
Cllr Oates to check invoice			
08/37.5	£118.68	MD Landscapes	
08/37.6	£55.00	RCCE Subs	
08/37.7	£79.72	A & J Lighting Sol	Repair to light
08/37.8	£40.00	SLCC	Clerks Subs
Council agreed all payments			

08/37.9 Accounts for year end

Copy of the questions for the auditor to go to all councillors. For completion of audit form at the next meeting.

Clerk

08/37.10 Insurance

All Council agreed to go ahead with the all risk quote of £106.68 per annum, for the 4 bus shelters.

Clerk

08/37.11 New PC Financial Regulations (to agree the new regulations)

Council amended the draft Financial Regulations a clean copy will be sent to the Clerk for distribution.

The Responsible Officer is the Clerk.

Clerk

08/38 Formation of an HR Committee

Cllr Phipps proposed that Cllr Harrison be Chairperson of this committee, Cllr Isbell and Cllr Hull agreed to sit on this committee.
All Councillors agreed.

08/39 Footpath and Pathway maintenance

Cllr Phipps suggested that the Causeway be sprayed off and replanted with grass seed.

Cllr Oates to identify who cuts which footpath and how frequently, prepare a list and send it to the Clerk.

Cllr Oates

The Clerk has received a copy of the definitive map.

All pathways are looked after by highways Whites Hill will have its weeds sprayed and the verge sidings cut back, once this is complete maintenance work can be carried out on the footway itself.

- 08/40 Report on Village Hall activities** which require action from the PC
The village hall committee have formed a sub committee for the fete.
The Parish Council agreed to have a stall.
- 08/41 Report of the Cluster meeting** and actions for the PC
Council agreed that the letter be sent to Ian Hurford ref missing direction signs to Shalford and Shalford Green.
The cluster meetings are for common interests within the cluster group.
- 08/42 Matters to be raised by members for the next agenda**
Traffic in Water Lane
Fence Clifffield
Fete
Sids
- 08/43 Date of next Meeting**
16th July 08
- 08/44 Closed at 10.15**

Signed..... Dated

Addendum 1.

08/35.5 Dry Gulcher Report

28th May 2008 was Dry Gulcher Day in Shalford where some 20 Americans relatives of crew who crashed in a Flying Fortress bomber on August 4th, 1944 attended a unveiling ceremony of a memorial stone just inside the entrance to St Andrews Parish Church grounds. Of the 10 crewmen involved all escaped except for the tail gunner Sgt Harold Norris, his nephew a Dr Vernon Williams had spent 8 years working on this memorial day which included collecting volumes of information. The day was hosted by Shalford Local History Association which included a luncheon at The George Inn followed by a picture and film exhibition at the Village Hall, some 50 Shalford residents attended the unveiling ceremony, some of who were in the vicinity when the crash happened and the hall was full for the exhibition. Cllr. Mrs Margaret Galione vice chairman of Braintree District Council attended together with Alan Oates and David Eversden from Shalford Parish Council, a £100 grant was made to SLHA by Shalford Parish Council to help with costs involved. As a legacy Dr Vernon Williams has left 30 x A3 size images and easels for display purposes together and 12 films [DVD type] to Shalford Primary School, Dr Williams a historian professor from Texas is very keen to spread the message to the younger age groups