

# SHALFORD PARISH COUNCIL

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The minutes of the Parish Council, held on Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> March 2008.

Present Alan Oates Chairman

Andrew Hull

Dave Isbell

John Phipps

Colin Golding

David Eversden

Dist Cllr Tim Wilkinson

Cathryn Carlisle Parish Clerk

**07/146 Apologies for Absence**

Cllr Jenni Harrison (ill)

**07/147 The minutes of the PC meeting held on Wednesday 20th Feb 2008 were approved and signed.**

**07/148 Declarations of interest**

None

**07/149 Matters arising not listed on this Agenda**

Stoneley Park Clerk to chase a response to the letter sent to ECC in February re timing for the remedial work at Stoneley Park. Clerk

Boxted Wood

BDC are against eco settlements like this, they tend to be setup in the middle of nowhere. The only people who could afford these types of houses are commuters who would work in London etc.

Cllrs to send Cllr Phipps their objections to this project and he will prepare a draft letter to the Consultation Company expressing our views. This will be circulated for approval to all Cllrs before sending to the Clerk, who will prepare and send the final letter. JP

**07/150 Planning**

07/150.1 08/00335/FUL 20 Barryfields Shalford Braintree

Erection of side/rear extension and loft conversion with rear dormer.

07/150.2 08/00315/FUL & 08/00316/LBC  
Abbots Hall Braintree Road Shalford: Erection of new Garden Room

07/150.3 08/00324/FUL The Orchard Shalford Green  
Demolition of existing kennels and yard and conversion and extension of existing gatehouse to form residential annexe.

07/150.4 08/00338/FUL The Orchard Shalford Green  
Proposed Double Garage

### **Planning Results**

07/129.1 08/00199/FUL Fairmead Garrets Lane Shalford **Refused**  
Alterations to Access, extension to garage with garden store.

07/129.2 08/00120/LBC April Cottage Jaspers Green Shalford **Granted**  
Removal of existing cement render and re-render in Lime, replacement of existing stormproof sash windows with casement windows.

07/112.1 08/00004/FUL Ewen Bridge Farm: Demolition of existing barn and carport and construction of a new barn and garage with associated landscaping to form a farm courtyard **Refused**

08/00005/LBC Ewen Bridge Farm Iron Bridge Lane Shalford  
Demolition of existing barn and carport and repair to existing henshed **Granted**

### **07/151 Highways & Environment**

07/151.1 Parking Restrictions outside Shalford School.  
The Parish Council are awaiting a reply from ECC Highways Dept with regards to the restrictions. Clerk to contact Highways Dept to see when a meeting can take place between all parties concerned. **Clerk**

07/151.2 Signage Church End Shalford  
The Clerk and Cllr Phipps have researched all areas at BDC and ECC to see if they could find out where the boundaries of Church End Shalford are, there is no historical map showing this.  
If anyone has such a map or written proof where Church End Shalford starts and finished please let the Parish Council know. Cllr Eversden to prepare a proposal re the siting of the boundary. **DE**

### **07/152 Footpaths**

07/152.1 Park End Lane  
No update; response to our letters, etc to Highways awaited.

07/152.2 Footpath Left hand side of road round to Hulls Lane  
No update

Footpath map – update required for 16th April meeting

AO

**07/153**

**Finance**

07/153.1 £170.00 Clerks Salary

07/153.2 £50.00 EALC

**07/154**

**Meeting/Seminars/Consultations**

07/154.1 Going Green 13<sup>th</sup> March Shop Ethically & Saving Resources/Recycling

07/154.2 Annual Civic Service 17<sup>th</sup> April 7.30pm

**07/155**

**Shalford News**

07/155.1 Bench Donation

Clerk to contact Greenfields Housing Committee to see if a bench could be put on the grass at Clifffield.

Clerk

07/155.2 Braintree & Witham Times – Shalford input.

Clerk to type minutes, Chairman to check. Minutes are then to be emailed to Councillors

(to verify -- get back to Clerk urgently if any issue please reply to the clerk within 2 days) and then sent to Brenda Handley to take extracts out of the minutes for the BWT. Proposed Cllr Oates Seconded Cllr Eversden

**07/156**

**Code of Conduct 12.2** – the current procedure states that a member of the public can speak at a meeting; this has to be minuted and the person identified, but should not unduly influence the Council on what they decide. Paragraph 12.2 essentially gives a member of public the same rights to speak at meetings as Cllrs. But they may not vote.

The PC can exclude members of public by going into a private session.

**07/157**

**Speedwatch**

Should be up and running by the end of April. So far we have 6 people in total from Shalford and Great Saling to do the training, hopefully more people will get involved once things start happening.

**07/158**

**Dry Gulcher Day**

The Diocese are questioning the wording on the stone also the positioning of the stone. It looks as if the stone will be placed in the ground near to the top of the drive to the church yard – to be confirmed.

AO

**07/159**

**Hedges**

Clerk to Contact Highways with regards to the hedge being cut at Abbots Hall and also report the large ruts in the road on the left hand side heading to Braintree.

Clerk

Mr Ian Shaw will look into cutting the hedge on Braintree Road later in the year.

**07/160      Annual Parish Meeting**

Clerk to check when we can elect officers -- could this be done in April ?

Clerk

**07/161      Village Hall**

The Village Hall are looking to replace their gang mower; three quotes have been obtained they range from £3,500 to £6,500 plus VAT.

Most grants don't cover the costs of mowing machines. Dist Cllr Wilkinson will look at the funding from Local Area Committee. The Parish Council to look at match funding.

Cllr Phipps asked if Tuckwell's of Dunmow had been asked for a quote. As they had not he agreed to find out what they would charge for a similar/same machine.

JP

**07/162      Other Matters for Discussion Only**

**07/163      Date of next Meeting**

16<sup>th</sup> April 08

**07/164      Closed at 10.10pm**

Signed ..... Dated.....