

Minutes of the Parish Council, held on Wednesday, 17th February 2010

Present Cllr John Phipps (Chairman)
Cllr David Eversden
Cllr Dave Isbell
Cllr Alan Oates
Cllr Kate Binks
Cllr Andrew Hull
Cllr Colin Golding
Cathryn Carlisle (Clerk)

2 members of the public

10/333 Apologies for Absence
There were none

10/334 The minutes of the PC meeting held on Wednesday 20th January 2010
were approved and signed.

10/335 Declarations of interest
There were none

10/336 Public participation session with respect to items on the agenda and other matters that are of mutual interest.

Mr William Grove Smith came to the parish council meeting to explain that he's lived in the village for a long time and employs local people. Mr Grove-Smith is looking to extend his factory on the outskirts of Church End Shalford. Mr Grove-Smith said there won't be any extra traffic on the roads, the operation would remain the same, the improvement would help him operate a more efficiently run factory.

10/337 Clerk's Report

Matters that were brought up at the last PC Meeting and dealt with by the clerk.

The tree that was damaged by a car was still on the verge almost opposite the Village Hall. This has been reported to ECC Highways

The Area around the bus shelter has been reported to MDLandscapes

Tim Lucas has past our letter to Circle Anglia.

The Clerk has received a letter from an S Hansen with regards to the Affordable Housing. The Clerk to write back to S Hansen, and explain that the Parish Council feels that they have covered every option regarding the affordable housing planning application.

Clerk has received an email from CC Roger Walters he expects that the closure of Shalford CA site will be on or about 1st June 2010.

The Clerk has spoken to Alpha Signs about the sign. The sign is at the painting stage the company found some damage to the frame when stripping the frame back and had to do some additional work to repair it which will cost an extra £20.00.

Alpha Signs asked if the Parish Council would like the post staining before the sign is put back up this will cost an extra £30.00. The Parish Council decided to leave the post unstained.

10/338 To consider the Name of the New Development at Church End

Name to be considered St Osyth Close

The Parish Council decided that the name should be Stondon Field as this is the original name of the field. Clerk to let Collins and Beckett know the outcome of the meeting.

10/339 Broome Close Villas

The state of the grass verge outside Broome Close Villa has become very damaged by lorries turning and people parking on the grass. The Clerk has spoken to Greenfields and ECC Highways. ECC Highways is doing a boundary search to see who is responsible for the land.

10/340 Highways and Footpaths

10/340.1 Speedwatch -No Monthly update

10/340.2 Location of Speed Indicator Sign

Councillors decided on where the speed indicator signs should be located and which way it should face. The Clerk to send these off to ECC.

10/340.3 To note a letter received from Teresa Morrell and agree a response.

The clerk to write to Mrs Morrell and explain what the council did 2 years ago and send a copy of Mrs Morrell's letter to ECC Highways.

10/340.4 Letter received from ECC Proposing 26ft Length Limit Water Hall Lane

The Parish Council approved this proposal

10/341 Report from the Planning Committee

10/00015/TPO Abbots Hall Braintree Road Shalford Essex

The Parish Council can see no reason for the removal of the tree, the Parish Council feel the tree could do with some pruning and suggest that a tree survey is employed.

10/342 Planning Results.

10/343 Finance

10/343.1 £176.60 Clerks Salary,

10/343.2 £45.00 Phipps Landscapes, Bus shelter maintenance

10/343.3 Clerks Expenses Stamps @ .39 = £2.00/Travel 14 miles @ £0.40 = £6.00/Telephone Calls £5.00

10/343.4 £34.00 EALC Training Councillor Cllr Binks

10/343.5 £190.00 Shalford Parochial Council - Churchyard grass cutting

10/343.6 £46.74 David Eversden Website reimbursement

Payments were agreed

10/343.7 Monthly Budget and Bank Reconciliation where agreed

10/344 Circle Anglia

It was agreed to ask Circle Anglia to reply to the following questions at the March Meeting.

1) What are the time lines for the development?

2) To clarify whether the footpath is still in the design.

If not will the money come back to the village?

3) Landscaping

What is being planted?

4) Lighting

It is assumed that there will be no street lights on this development.

5) What is the security during the development?

6) What is Circle Anglia's policy on antisocial behaviour?

10/345 Park End Lane

The clerk to write to ECC with regards to Revocation of Prohibition of driving order, sending copies of all our previous correspondence explaining that our views have not changed.

10/346 Bosted Wood

If Elsenham is rejected as the preferred development for Uttlesford, we could see Bosted Wood and Andrewsfield being developed. The Clerk to ask Christine Cant chairman of Stebbing Parish Council, if Shalford Parish Council can use Stebbings Questions and Answers, as a template for Shalford Parish Council to put on their website, also to put up in the village shop. We need to get individuals to comment on their views as we could see up to 10,000 homes in the Gt Saling/Stebbing Green area.

To look at the consultation online go to www.consultation.limehouse.co.uk/uttlesford to make your comments.

10/347 Litter Pick

It was agreed in principle to organise a litter pick in Shalford and the hamlets. The Clerk will find out a suitable day and the date will be advertised. It will require a number of people to do the work and if these are not forthcoming the litter pick will not go ahead. The preferred date is the end of March/April.

If it goes ahead then the PC will have to carry out a risk assessment, organise Traffic Marshalls for the main road and obtain HIVIS jackets and pickers. It was also agreed that the Clerk would organise refreshments in the Village Hall. The Clerk to liaise with BDC with regard to the litter picking equipment.

10/348 Matters to be raised by members for the next agenda

Stoneley Park
Standing Orders
Footpath Cutting
Setting up HR Committee
Circle Anglia presentation

10/349 Date of next Meeting

17th March 2010

10/350 Meeting Closed at 10.10

Signed.....

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