



Shalford Parish Council

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Minutes of Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday July 19th 2017

Present Cllr Golding
Cllr Askew
Cllr Oates
Cllr Eversden (Cllr Eversden left the meeting feeling unwell)
Cllr French
Cllr Gurnett
Cllr Norman

2 members of the public

DC Tattersley

DC Schwier

Cathryn Carlisle (Clerk)

17/119 Apologies for Absence

There were none

17/120 The minutes of the PC meeting held on Wednesday 21st June 2017 were approved and signed as a true record of the meeting.

17/121 Declarations of interest

Cllr Golding Village Hall matters

17/122 Public participation session with respect to items on the agenda and other matters that are of mutual interest.

A resident came to talk about the state of the bus shelter in Jaspers Green, they informed the council that the wood was rotting and the tin roof is rusting. Paul Edwards has cleaned up the bus shelter since the flooding by the burst pipe in Jasper Green.

David Paul (Shalford's Broadband Champion) has attended a meeting about the different options covering everywhere apart from Jasper Green and some of Shalford Green. County Broadband have said that they can provide broadband to Jasper Green but Mr Paul is concerned that the number of trees in the area this may

not allow this. Mr Paul informed the council that there may be another option to put fibre into the outlying areas with a company called Gigaclear. It would be a good idea to get residents to register their interest with this company to see what feedback we can get.

The Clerk has arranged for a village meeting with County Broadband for the 27th September the last Wednesday in the month.

David Paul will be attending a public consultation meeting on the 25th July and asked if any councillors could go along if possible.

17/123 Clerk's Report

The Clerk had received an email from a resident who has just moved into 1 Stores Cottage, asking if there was any news on the installation of a Red Dog Poo bin. The Clerk had replied to the email saying that BDC were still awaiting a delivery of bins but Richard Bass would consider the matter.

The Clerk informed the council that yet again Travellers had invaded the playing field at Great Saling, this time they took out a bollard to enter the field. The Travellers were issued a Section 61 notice on Friday morning and told that they need to leave the site by 7pm. Unfortunately, they didn't leave the village they only move ½ mile down the road.

The Clerk had emailed Andrew Brown about Stoneley Park, it looks like the work will take place in September but no actual date as yet.

17/124 Reports from Councillors with matters affecting the village

Cllr Askew has report the pot hole near Long Thatch, at the present time the hole is not deep enough for immediate action.

17/125 Finance

17/125.1	£225.41	Clerks Salary,	2015
17/125.2	£110.00	P Edwards Maintenance	2015
17/125.3	£27.70	Clerks Expenses	2015
17/125.4	£262.80	MD Landscapes Grass Cutting	2015
17/125.5	£24.86	E-on Electricity	
17/125.6	£45.00	EALC Training	

Payments were approved and signed, Cllr Gurnett checked the invoices prior to the meeting.

17/125.5 Monthly Budget and Bank Reconciliation

The budget and Bank Reconciliation were approved

17/126 Village Hall Management Committee - matters affecting the Parish Council.
The VHMC are organising a Family Fun Day on the 17th September, with all the Fun at the Fair, Fun Dog Show, possibility of a rounders match, The Bowls Club will be holding an open event for people to try indoor bowls out, teas, coffees cakes etc.

Cllr Golding has been given a list of alternative grants to replace the roof, as the Veolia Trust application fell at the last fence.

17/127 District Councillors Report

DC Tattersley spoke about how stopping the Green Waste Collection between Dec-Feb had saved the council £40,000, this will be carried out again this next winter.

The Community Trust which runs the volunteer bus service has had its funding cut by £15,000, District Council are consulting on whether to increase fee's, so far it seems that they are still cheaper than other transport.

District Council are looking to invest in another Doctors surgery at Silver End. The Councils Budget is ok they are approximately £83 million in the black.

Cllr Askew asked why can't the District Council build their own houses. BDC are looking at building some new houses for Key Workers. Greenfields now look after BDC housing stock.

Cllr Askew under freedom of information asked how many houses in Braintree where unoccupied, there are 1,810 properties listed as empty in the Braintree District as of 3rd July 2017, however this is the total figure which includes properties that have valid exemptions.

The Local Plan finishes on the 28th July. Cllrs said that many people thought the forms were confusing, and the West of Braintree was just a purple mark on a map and it didn't give people much information. The Plan can't be amended it goes to the planning inspectorate next.

17/128 County Councillors Report

No report

17/129 BDC Local Plan 2033 Consultation runs JUNE 16 (9AM) - JULY 28 (5PM)

To agree how to respond to the consultation and get the word out to residents
It was agreed that the Clerk and the Chairman put a response together for the Local Plan.

17/129.1 SERCLE update

SERCLE have put together a response to the Local Plan saying West of Braintree doesn't fit the technical side of the NPPF.

17/129.2 Joint Council to update

The Joint Council sent a letter to Braintree Sub Committee setting out their objections to West of Braintree.

17/130 Village Enhancement

17/109.1 Defibrillator update

The Clerk has had confirmation that we now have a defibrillator but we don't have a phone box due to the burst water pipe at Jasper Green, the phone box was taken away by Anglian Water to Stanway. The Clerk has emailed Anglian Water asking when the phone box is being reinstalled, also repaired due the damage caused when it fell into the hole. It also needs connecting to the electricity.

17/109.2 Bus Shelter Jasper Green

Cllrs agreed that the Clerk looks at the price of a new bus shelter with a seat and a window facing in direction of Shalford so residents can see when a bus is coming.

The Clerk to consider getting a grant for this.

17/131 Planning Applications/Comments

17/132 Footpath/bridleway

17/132.1 Bridleways Update from Cllr French
No update

17/132.2 Footpaths Update from Cllr's

The Clerk to find out if ECC have been around our area cutting footpaths. It seems that some have been cut, some in the wrong place.

17/133 Highways

To consider putting yellow line around the entrance to Clifffield
This will be discussed at the Highway meeting on the 6th September at the VH at 7pm

17/134 Passenger Transport meeting

To consider the proposal of supporting a Saturday Service 9 bus for Braintree, Panfield, Shalford, Wethersfield, Finchingfield to Great Bardfield.
The Chairman thanked Cllr Norman for taking the initiative on this and writing to Cllr Gooding with regards to the proposal for parishes to be able to subsidise the shortfall. The problem is no bus company wants to take on a failing route. Cllr Norman is awaiting a reply from Cllr Goodings.

17/135 Consultations and Publications Received

London Stansted Airport – Building for the Future Noted this consultation

- 17/136 Standing Orders**
To be considered at the September meeting

- 17/137 Financial Regulation**
To be considered at the September meeting

- 17/138 Matters to be raised by members** for the next agenda
Quiet Lanes

- 17/139 Date of the next meeting**
It will be held on 20th September

- 17/140 Meeting Closed at 9.06 pm**

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