



# Shalford Parish Council

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Minutes of the Parish Council, held on Wednesday, 21<sup>st</sup> June 2017.

**Present** Cllr Askew Chairman  
Cllr French  
Cllr Norman  
Cllr Eversden  
Cllr Gurnett

**17/97 Apologies for Absence**

Cllr Golding  
Cllr Oates

**17/98 Minutes of the PC meeting held** on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2017 were approved and signed as a true record of the meeting.

**17/99 Declarations of interest**

There were none

**17/100 County Broadband - James Salmon**

James Salmon explained that County Broadband are working with Superfast Essex to reach the areas that will not get broadband through Openreach programme. Their system doesn't use BT equipment. They use aerials strategically place around the parish. There is a main point just on the edge of Beazley End, which is in the process of being upgraded. They are not distant specific. They can put antennae to get a signal where they want one. The dishes need a clear site line.

County Broadband like to have a hotspot on the village hall as a thank you to the Parish which is normally free of charge. The cost of installation would be approximate £150 which includes a router and the tariffs range from £9.00- £34.99.

County Broadband would like to propose a meeting of the village to see who is interested in the project. The Clerk and James to look at dates.

**17/101 Public participation session with respect** to items on the agenda and other matters that are of mutual interest.

There were no members of the public present

**17/102 Clerk's Report.**

The Clerk has purchased some dog poo bags which are now in the village shop. She has also spoken to BDC about installing a dog poo bin opposite The Causeway.

MD Landscapes have started a course of treatment to clear The Causeway of Giant Hog Weed

The Clerk has chased up again the Dynes Farm Verge and sent an email to CC Graham Butland to see if he can help to get the fence removed as this is part of the public highway.

**17/103 Reports from Councillors with matters affecting the village**

Cllrs asked that a Notice be put in the Parish Mag about the Dog Poo Bags

Quite Lane Signage. Clerk to find out details of buying our own signs

Oak Tree Opposite the Village Hall, has died The Clerk to contact MD Landscapes

Cllr Eversden asked when the refurbishment of Stoneley Park is to take place. The Clerk said when permission was given. It is hoped later this year, but she would see if a date had been set?

A Councillor mentioned that a white van has been parked on the road in Jaspers Green every evening which is causing problems.

It was suggested that this was taken up with the local police. Cllr French to do so.

Jaspers Green has a major water leak which runs under the telephone box. Anglian Water are sorting this out.

**17/104 Finance**

17/104.1	£225.41	Clerks Salary,	201614
17/104.2	£110.00	P Edwards Maintenance	201616
17/104.3	£26.50	Clerks Expenses	201615
17/104.4	£274.80	MD Landscapes Grass Cutting	201617
17/104.5	£320.00	EALC Training	201618
17/104.6	£157.50	BDC Printing	201619
17/104.7	£104.39	Harrison Package Paid by Clerk	Dog Poo Bag 201620
17/104.8	£72.60	RCCE Subs	201621
17/104.9	£37.25	SLCC Subs	201622

Payments were approved by all members of the council present. Cllr French and Gurnett check the invoices.

17/104.10 Monthly Budget and Bank Reconciliation

The Monthly Budget and Bank Reconciliation were approved by all councillors present.

**17/105 Village Hall Management Committee** - matters affecting the Parish Council.  
Sue Roberts attended from RCCE and gave a talk on Trustee's responsibilities as Members of Village Hall Committee

**Roofing Grant Failed**

The organisation applied to has had to reduce their grants by 50% this year due to lack of funding. When time allows further grant funding will commence but splitting the roof and new windows into two separate applications.

Rayne Cricket Club has folded with a loss of £75.00 per match to hall funds. In the past winter repairs cost on pitch has been more than £900 so unless new hirers emerge only minimum maintenance will be undertaken this coming winter

In Profit for May with Income exceeding Expenditure

Possible Village Day in September, to include rounders and indoor bowls

**17/106 District Councillors Report**

Cllr Schwier reported that the Swimming Pool at Braintree has now reopened. The Chief Exec will be leaving BDC to go to ECC, the Acting Chief Exec will be Andy Wright.

The Local Plan is now out for consultation.

**17/107 County Councillors Report**

No Report

**17/108 BDC Local Plan 2033 Consultation** starts JUNE 16 (9AM) - JULY 28 (5PM)

Councillors were asked to bring comments to the next meeting on how they would like the council to respond to the Local Plan. Cllrs were asked not only to look at Shalford but to look at Great Saling as well as this is our biggest concern.

All residents should have received a leaflet from BDC inviting residents to go along and look at the Plan.

**17/108.1** Sercle update

**17/108.2** Joint Council to update

Has sent a letter to UDC regarding their Local Plan

**17/109 Village Enhancement**

17/109.1 Defibrillator update

The Clerk spoke to Freshwell Health Centre today to find out when the defibrillator would be here. The CREAMER Fund has paid for the equipment and they are now waiting for delivery.

**17/110 Planning Applications/Comments**

**17/111 Footpath/bridleway**

**17/110.1** Bridleways Update from Cllr French  
No Update

**17/110.2** Footpaths Update from Cllr's

The Clerk has been in contact with Nicky Coleman about the cutting of the footpaths this should take place in July-Aug this year.

**17/112 Highways**

Report from Highway working Party.

The Clerk to find a date when the highway working party can meet.

**17/113 Passenger Transport meeting**

Cllr Askew reported that she attended the Passenger Transport meeting last week. At the present time, no bus company has come forward to take on the Saturday run.

The Clerk to do a Notice to say that the Saturday Bus will be Stopping as of 28<sup>th</sup> August 2017.

**17/114 Consultations and Publications Received**

17/114 Local Bus Consultation 31 May 2017 - 03 July 2017 Service 9 Braintree, Panfield, Shalford, Wethersfield, Finchingfield to Great Bardfield. Cllr Askew asked that all councillors to fill in the consultation.

**17/115 Bendlowes Trust**

The Parish Council agreed to appoint Sally Welsh as Trustee

**17/116 Matters to be raised by members for the next agenda**

Quite Lanes

**17/117 Date of next meeting 19th July 2017**

**17/118 Meeting Closed at 8.55pm**

Signed.....

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