



# Shalford Parish Council

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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> January 2018

**Present**

Cllr Askew  
Cllr French  
Cllr Gurnett  
Cllr Oates

DC Tattersley  
Cathryn Carlisle (Clerk)

**18/1 Apologies for Absence**

Cllr Golding  
Cllr Norman  
Cllr Eversden  
DC Schwier  
CC Butland

**18/2 Minutes of the PC meeting held** on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2017 were approved and signed as a true record of the meeting.

**18/3 Declarations of interest**  
No Declarations of interest.

**18/4 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.

**18/5 Clerk's Report**

The Clerk reported that there had been an attempted break in at Deersbrook Farm earlier in the month. The owner had seen the thieves off. They came back armed with baseball bats and iron bars and hit one of the employees across the back before he got inside the property. Unfortunately, the owner's children saw all this happen and has greatly upset them. There are 2 Subaru's involved, one Green and one Silver.

**18/6 Reports from Councillors with matters** affecting the village

Cancellation of buses on a Saturday from Shalford

Cllr Askew has spoken to the Passenger Transport Dept. with regards to the lack of bus service and could ECC expand the DaRT to counteract this. The Passenger Transport Dept. have said that the DaRT can't be extended. Cllr Askew has also sent a letter asking if Stevenson's who run the no 16 on a Saturday between Wethersfield and Chelmsford could the route as far as Braintree to cover Shalford, Jaspers Green and Panfield awaiting a reply from Stevenson's. Cllr Norman has spoken with BWT regarding the stopping of the buses.

The owners of the Pent House are looking to put in planning permission for 3 dwellings at the Pighle

The George pub is now fully open they are doing the New Year's Eve party on Saturday night.

**18/7**

**Finance**

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|--------|---------|---------------------------------|--------|
| 18/7.1 | £233.83 | Clerks Salary                   | 201660 |
| 18/7.2 | £110.00 | P Edwards Maintenance           | 201662 |
| 18/7.3 | £27.16  | Clerks Expenses                 | 201661 |
| 18/7.4 | £25.14  | E-on Electricity                | 201664 |
| 18/7.6 | £360.00 | MD Landscapes Daffodil Planting | 201663 |

Payments were approved by all members of the council present. Cllr Gurnett and Cllr French checked the invoices prior to the meeting.

18/7.5 Monthly Budget and Bank Reconciliation

Were approved by all members of the council present. Cllr Gurnett and Cllr French checked the bank statement prior to the meeting.

**18/8**

**Village Hall Management Committee**

No update

**18/9**

**District Councillors Report**

The Governance Review Consultation is taking place Great Saling PC is asking to combine Great Saling and Bardfield Saling. Panfield would like to include Panfield Wood in their parish which at the moment is in Rayne.

People are concerned that BDC are picking up fly tip off private land, at no extra cost to the landowner. This will be reconsidered.

The Recycling Calendar will continue to be printed.

The green waste collection will start again in March.

With Braintree District getting more houses, there are more bins to collect, which means the lorries sometimes get full quicker. BDC are investing in a smaller vehicle

to go around and collect the surplus waste. If your bin hasn't been emptied it may be that the lorry has broken down, so please leave your bin out for another day before phoning BDC. It was suggested that this information be put on the recycling Calendar.

Most residents are hugely satisfied with the service from our bin operatives.

The Government has said that DC can increase the budget more than was originally allowed. BDC are now rejigging the budget.

Braintree Museum will be run by a Museum Trust.

**18/10 County Councillors Report**

No update

**18/11 BDC Local Plan 2033**

18/11.1 SERCLE update

18/11.2 Joint Council and Sercle met on the 7th Jan to discuss the Local Plan hearing on the 16th January. Malcolm Alsop town and county planning expert who is represent the Joint Council has met with the Barrister from Stebbing and they are now working alongside CAUSE. The hearing seems to be going well. Leaflets have been printed and be handed out to all Parish Councils. Donations are to come to Shalford Parish Council either by cheque or by bank transfer. Donations are starting to come in.

Cllr French will be attending the hearing next week and would like some information on the highway survey the PC had done. The Clerk to email and send hard copies of the speed and volume surveys done in recent years.

Together with the info on the Quiet Lanes status.

The Government are not pushing for Garden Communities. A Banker has looked at the figures and said that Braintree will always be in debt if WoB goes ahead.

**18/12 Village Enhancement**

**18/12.1** Defibrillator update

Had to be cancelled due to sickness. Awaiting a new date.

**18/12.2** Bus Shelter Jasper Green

Next month's agenda

**18/12.3** Daffodils To considered if we need to plant any daffodils this year Daffodils have been planted, Cllr suggested we look at English Blue bells for a contrast colour, for next planting scheme.

- 18/12.4** Dog Poo Bins  
No update
- 18/13** **Planning Applications/Comments**  
No planning applications
- 18/14** **Footpath/bridleway**  
**18/14.1** Bridleways Update from Cllr French  
No update
- 18/14.2** Footpaths Update from Cllr's  
The owners of Burnt House have had a contractor in to cut the hedge.  
The Footpath Working Party are due to meet next week, venue to be confirmed.
- 18/15** **Highways**  
18/15.1 Update from Highway Meeting No update  
18/15.2 Localised Flooding  
The Clerk has spoken with Robert Bucknell to see if he would put up the signs on Great Saling side of the diversion, Mr Bucknell has agreed to do this.
- 18/16** **Local Services Fund**  
No update
- 18/17** **Consultations and Publications** Received and to respond to.
- 18/18** **Matters to be raised by members** for the next agenda  
Bags for Tesco  
Alert Emails
- 18/19** **Date of the next meeting 21st February 2018**
- 18/20** **Meeting Closed at 8.40pm**

Signed.....

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