

## **Great Shefford Parish Council**

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## Minutes of the Meeting of

Great Shefford Parish Council on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2017 at 7.40pm

Present:

Cllr S Ackrill (Chairman)

**Cllr P Storey** 

**Cllr J Winfield** 

**Cllr B Williams** 

**Cllr S McCarthy** 

	Cllr S McCarthy Clerk K. Lloyd	
		Action
1)	Apologies: Cllr G Knass	
2)	Declarations of Interest on Agenda items - none	
3)	Open Forum - no items were raised in the forum	
4)	Planning – 17/00101/HOUSE - 6 Millers Field -Modifications to accommodate disabled resident Cllr Ackrill and Cllr Williams visited site and after discussion all agreed to support the planning application.  Decision Notices: The Nook – Refused	
5)	South Hidden Farm – Granted (retrospective)  Minutes of the 2 February 2017 were proposed for adoption by Cllr	
٥)	Minutes of the 2 February 2017 were proposed for adoption by Cllr Winfield and seconded by Cllr Williams they were duly signed by Cllr Ackrill.	
6)	Insp Warren Mckeown – Neighbourhood Inspector Newbury and Hungerford report  Warren introduced himself to Parish Council and gave the following report.  Great Shefford crime rate was low and is classed as a safe place to live. Hungerford Police Station was up for sale, the station will work from the Newbury Station. Budgets have been reduced and properties are being cut back to avoid dropping policeman. A small base is being reviewed in Hungerford, but the Hungerford team will work solely from Newbury. A new Model is being proposed in the Thames Valley Police area to utilise Policeman's time more appropriately into teams of response, Investigating, neighbourhood and big problem teams.	
7)	Finance -Cheques to approve this meeting  a) Bank Accounts on 10 February 2017  Great Shefford Parish Council £15,530.24  Recreation Ground Account £10,221.59	

b) Che	ques to Approve		
100301	K.Lloyd Parish Clerk	£530.65	
100302	FCC Recycling Ltd	64.80	
100303	Thatcham Glass Centre	£450.00	

## 8) Speedwatch

Cllr Ackrill and Cllr Williams attended the SID (speed indicating device) training at WBC and are now fully qualified in using SID. Cllr Ackrill reported that depending on your speed it does actually gather speed data which can then be downloaded and analysed by WBC to decide on what other measures can be implemented.

If 5% of vehicles are speeding 15mph or more over the speed limit, action is then taken. The previous Stats for GS were 1.3%.

Cllr Ackrill then asked about Speedwatch in the SID training session and reported back to PC.

The Clerk also had an email with the following information.

Cheryl Evans the Senior Road Safety Officer at WBC reported:
Community Speed Watch was originally a Thames Valley Police (TVP)
initiative. West Berkshire have run Community Speedwatch (CSW) using a
Sentinel system since 2009, because of the large amount of vehicles
captured we deploy the equipment based on our speed data evidence
which is collected either by the Speed Indicator Device (SID) used by our
parish councils and from our Speed Data Recorder(SDR) equipment. We
also have to be mindful of the quantity of work we process on a weekly
basis because of the TVP protocol and processing systems. One thing to
consider if parishes take on the CSW role locally is to ensure neither
system has a negative effect on the other and that that by buying your
own CSW system it will add value to the reduction of speeding issues in
your community.

Deploying CSW requires several parish councillors to be available at the same time to operate effectively and safely.

Vehicle registrations can only be processed inside a police station – WBC tried to get a parish councillor approved (we gave up after 5 years!). PNC and CSW training is required cost last time I checked it was around £1000 – who is paying for the training?

WBC have a meeting on 13<sup>th</sup> March with TVP to discuss this and speeding issues in general – They will be able to update once that meeting has taken place.

## 9) Bus Shelter damage

The bus shelter in Church Street had the central glass panel vandalised. This was reported to the Clerk. Three quotations were sought to replace the glass panel. It was agreed to go with Thatcham Glass Centre who produced the cheapest 15mm toughened clear glass at a cost of £375 plus VAT.

This matter was reported to the police by the Clerk as one glass supplier suggested it could have been done by a bullet. The Police investigated but reported to the Clerk it was not a bullet and suggested perhaps a ball

	bearing. After the police confirmed this was not a police matter, Cllr Ackrill cleared the glass and taped the hole to make safe. Thatcham Glass will remove the glass and replace the pane once it is delivered to them, possibly 2-3 weeks.  The Clerk was asked to contact PC insurance, the insurance company	
	excess is £250, and it was agreed by all to make a claim for the glass.  The Clerk will contact the insurance company and pursue with the claim.  A cheque was raised in the meeting for Thatcham Glass, the Clerk will send once the works are complete.	Clerk
10)	Annual Litter Pick – Sunday 5 March 2017	
	Great British Spring Clean- March 3 <sup>rd</sup> – 5 <sup>th</sup> . Cllr Winfield had previously emailed to ask if anyone could collect the equipment from WBC offices. Cllr McCarthy said she would collect. Cllr McCarthy said she would also advertise the Litter Pick on the GS village Facebook.	
11)	Speeding traffic reports to WBC (and Manor Farm footpath's old	
	correspondence) A speeding report was submitted from a resident requesting a footpath for safety around the Manor Farm bend. Cheryl Evans (senior road traffic officer) mentioned the resident contacts Parish Council to ask PC to consider the request of a footpath around Manor Farm bend. Cllr G Knass had sent all the correspondence concerning a footpath request back in 2009/10. Following the initial enquiries in 2009/10 the proposals were discussed a	
	number of additional times, but there was no resolution to the footpath.  The Clerk was asked to write to the resident with the details from 2009/10.	Clerk
12)	Neighbourhood Plan Michael Billinge-Jones the Lambourn Chairman who attended the	
	February PC meeting to explain how the Neighbourhood Plan would work had (as requested from GSPC) emailed more information to PC. After review of the information and the development of the Electoral Review of West Berkshire Warding Arrangements it was felt this could implicate	
	the Neighbourhood Plan as the ward boundaries could be changing. This is currently under consultation. It was then agreed to wait until the ward boundaries were confirmed before giving the Neighbourhood Plan more thought and discussion.	
13)	Cllr Questions and reports  Cllr Winfield reported the P4000 Ermin Street Sign had been damaged	Clerk
	Cllr Winfield reported the B4000 Ermin Street Sign had been damaged again. The Clerk was asked to contact highways and also ask highways to give it thought of relocating the sign as this sign was frequently damaged Cllr Winfield asked the Clerk to contact the GSDG about having a light in	
	the Shefford Woodlands Telephone Box for the Defibrillator.	Clerk
	Cllr S Ackrill reported a white goods product had been dumped in the layby by the Saw Mill site, the Clerk was asked to contact Streetcare.	
		Clerk

	Cllr Ackrill reported the next meeting with the Environmental Agency, CH2M and WBC is on the 26th April 2017.	
14)	Correspondence The Clerk asked if any councillors would like to attend the RAF Welford 101 Squadron Lancaster Memorial Service on Thursday 30 March. Cllr Williams said he would like to attend. The Clerk will inform RAF Welford but Cllr Williams will need to follow up with them his security details for entry.	Clerk Cllr B Williams
	The Clerk highlighted key points from the GSAS minutes; The TOR will be reviewed concerning a PC representative for the GSAS meetings. Cllr Williams said he may be interested to attend the meetings. The Clerk will review the TOR and report back in the next meeting.	Clerk
	The Clerk reported she has received a letter from Wiltshire Police that said the claim was to be given to the Thames Valley Police; the Clerk had also received an email from TVP asking for the claim to be forwarded for the damaged Swan Footpath fence.	Clerk
	The Great Shefford Barn Dance will be on Friday 31 March in the School Hall starting at 7pm to 10pm.	
	Cllr Winfield gave resignation to Parish Council. Great Shefford Parish Council on behalf of the parish would like to give big thanks to Janice for all her hard work and time given to the community over the years.  Janice will be sorely missed!  Janice is deserved a rest from PC duties after 10 years.	
	Janice was the representative for Shefford Woodlands and if anyone would like to become a representative for	
	SW, please contact the Clerk.	
15)	SW, please contact the Clerk.  Matters for future consideration	