



Great Shefford Parish Council

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	The minutes of the Great Shefford Parish Council on Thursday 3rd December 2015.	Present Cllr S Ackrill (Vice Chairman) Cllr G Knass Cllr R Howe Cllr M Carter Parish Clerk K Lloyd	
	4 members of the public present.		
1)	Apologies - Cllr J Carter (Chairman), Cllr G Parsons, Cllr J Winfield. <i>Cllr M Carter present in meeting gave his apologies that he would have to leave early.</i>		
2)	Declarations of Interest on Agenda items – None		
3)	Open Forum – un minuted.		
4)	Planning –None		
5)	Minutes – Cllr S Ackrill reported the minutes being a correct representation of meeting but a change to minutes had been agreed following meeting (see note on Christmas tree item 9) The minutes of the meeting of the 12 November 2015 were proposed for adoption by Cllr S Ackrill and seconded by Cllr M Carter.		
6a)	Finance – Bank account on 12th November 2015 Current Account £17,325.30 Recreation Ground £9,221.59		
b)	Finance- Cheques to approve and sign. 100234 K Lloyd Parish Clerk £465.04 100235 SSE Contracting Ltd (village hall light fixed) £165.24 100 FCC Recycling (litter collection) £23.02 100 The Playground Inspection Company Ltd £75.00		
	The clerk will email a bank transfer letter to Cllr S Ackrill who will sign and also obtain signatory from Cllr G Parsons as no other authorised signatory in meeting. The bank transfer letter is to instruct Barclays to transfer £1000 from the current account into the Recreation Ground as agreed in the last meeting. Cllr S Ackrill will post letter to Barclays. Cllr S Ackrill also took cheques and invoices to obtain signatory from Cllr G Parsons and will return to clerk once signatory obtained.		Clerk Cllr S Ackrill Cllr G Parsons
7)	Community Garden & Bench (Discussion on how to spend £1404 which has to be used towards improvement to public open space in the village)		

	<p>Sue Benn reported they are still waiting on quotations with specifications of the community garden proposal, once received they will report back in the next meeting. If you are a local landscaper/gardener or this is something you could help with for your community. Please contact the clerk who can put you in touch with the two people that are working on the project.</p>	
8)	<p>Defibrillator The Clerk had completed sections of the grant application on line and asked Cllr G Knass and Sue Benn for help to complete the final sections on application. Both had submitted information to the clerk, the clerk will add all information to the grant application online, and will then email all for final approval before submitting. BHF will inform us if the grant is successful within 8 weeks.</p> <p>Sue Benn and Teresa Penny were in the meeting and reported back they had set up a group including a third member Tim Price-Walker as 'Great Shefford Defibrillator Group' (GSDG). Sue Benn (acting Treasurer), reported she had spoken to the business manager for clubs and societies at Natwest bank and told them that they are opting for a 2 of 3 signatures for each cheque. This will be Sue and Teresa Penny (Teresa who will lead GSDG). GSDG are now in the process of completing forms for Natwest. GSDG spoke of fundraising ideas and asked if PC is happy with the group getting the ball rolling on fundraising. The PC said they have their full support. Ideas mentioned was the pub raffle, school plays etc. Sue Benn asked if anyone had asked the village committee if a discussion had been made on the location of the defibrillator being on the village hall wall. Sue Benn said she would speak with Denise Herrington from the village hall committee concerning this matter and let PC know the outcome. Cllr R Howe mentioned there maybe some funds available for the defibrillator from the country fayre show profit but not sure of the amount and this would have to be discussed further in there January meeting on the 20th. Cllr R Howe said they can consider all the funds from next year's country fayre going towards the defibrillator but this maybe too late for the fundraising.</p> <p>Action</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clerk to finish grant application (W/C 7th Dec) and email to PC /GSDG for approval before submitting. • GSDG to ask village hall for permission to locate a defibrillator onto the village external hall wall. • GSDG – To finalise a bank account for fundraising funds with Natwest. • GSDG – to start ideas for fundraising. • Cllr R Howe – to report back to GSDG and PC with any funds available following Country Fayre profit via email as PC are not meeting again until February. • <p>If anyone would like to help with fundraising or would like to donate any funds towards a community defibrillator please contact the clerk who will forward your details onto the 'Great Shefford Defibrillator Group'.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>'GSDG' (Great Shefford Defibrillator Group)</p> <p>Cllr R Howe</p>

<p>9)</p>	<p>Village Christmas Tree</p> <p>Following the last meeting the kind offer from Cllr G Parsons was received to sponsor/purchase the community Christmas Tree. Following the meeting Cllr J Carter was asked by Charles Perry from Templers Farm if the community would like a free Christmas tree. The PC accepted the kind offer and asked Cllr G Parsons if he would sponsor the Christmas tree lights, Cllr G Parsons was happy to sponsor this year's Christmas tree lights through GLN Transfers . www.gln-transfers.co.uk .</p> <p>Cllr R Howe reported that Julia Jones of 2 Millers :Field has kindly offered electricity for the Christmas tree lights. The PC thanked Julia on behalf of the village. Cllr S Ackrill asked Cllr R Howe to ask Julia if they can co-ordinate the set-up of the Christmas tree lights the weekend 12-13, Cllr R Howe will let Cllr S Ackrill know the outcome. Cllr G Parsons will buy the Christmas tree lights. Cllr S Ackrill will collect the tree and erect the tree the weekend of 12-13th. Cllr M Carter said he should be around to help on one of the days. Cllr S Ackrill asked Cllr R Howe to find out how much cable is required to connect the Christmas tree lights from 2 Millers Field and Cllr M Carter was asked to check the extension cable length.</p> <p>Volunteers would be appreciated to help on the weekend 12-13 December. Please contact Cllr S Ackrill if you can help.</p>	<p>Cllr S Ackrill Cllr G Parsons Cllr R Howe Cllr M Carter</p>
<p>10)</p>	<p>Noticeboard for outside village hall</p> <p>Cllr G Parsons was not present in meeting, Cllr G Parsons mentioned in the October meeting that he would speak with Nigel Goldstraw of how much a noticeboard would cost. To be added to the February meeting.</p>	<p>Cllr G Parsons</p>
<p>11)</p>	<p>Councillor questions and reports</p> <p>Cllr S Ackrill reported the fence rail along the footpath by the Swan at the junction was on the ground. Cllr S Ackrill asked the clerk to contact Nigel Goldstraw to fix.</p> <p><i>Cllr M Carter gave his apologies and left the meeting at 8.15pm.</i></p>	<p>Clerk</p>
<p>12)</p>	<p>Correspondence</p> <p>The clerk had emailed the playground annual inspection report to all councillors before meeting. The inspection report was low risk on all equipment. Cllr S Ackrill reported all was satisfactory but on-going monitoring was required.</p> <p>The clerk read out an email that was received from one of the residents with three items being raised.</p> <p>Litter build up in lay-by opposite the old Sawmill on the A338 towards Wantage is increasing with black bin bags of dumped litter. After discussed the clerk was asked to contact WBDC.</p> <p>Street Lighting – some of the street lighting has been upgraded to LED lighting as part of WBC strategy to migrate all lighting to be more energy efficient. It was reported that on Spring Meadows some lighting has been updated and some not leaving the residents with a two tone display of orange and white. After discussion the clerk was asked to contact WBDC and ask what the future plans were for the rest of the street lighting.</p> <p>Support for a permanent Christmas Tree –the resident spoke of a community orchard in the village that can benefit Great Shefford environmentally and socially. After</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>

	<p>discussion of a permanent Christmas tree and proposal of a community orchard, it is supported by the PC, however a piece of ground would need to be available for this and permission from WBDC to plant the trees.</p> <p>Following the tree discussion Cllr S Ackrill reported that the fence around the recreation ground will need attention before the community garden project.</p> <p>The clerk handed out 'Register of member's interest forms' to be completed by all councillors present. Cllr G Parsons had forwarded his onto the clerk, (thank you Glen). For the councillors not present in the meeting, the clerk will post 2 copies of each form, one being for WBDC and one for parish file to Cllr J Carter, Cllr M Carter, Cllr J Winfield. The clerk asks these councillors to post asap to WBDC, (a stamped address envelope will be enclosed) The Register of Members interests forms need to be updated every 4 years following an election.</p> <p>The clerk received an email from WBDC informing PC that a 50MPH speed limit is being set at Ermin Road (part of which is classified as B4000) between its junction with the A338 and a point 700 metres east of its junction with Baydon Road.</p> <p>The clerk had received an email from Sue Holdway (Treasurer of Wantage Bus) reporting the committee and passengers of the Wantage bus would like to thank you for your support for there much needed transport link. The bus is very well used and passenger numbers remain constant with an average of 32 each week. They have some donations towards the running of the bus and would be able to contribute if required. The pc asked for the bus committee to keep hold of the funds for future support.</p>	<p>Clerk Cllr J Cater Cllr M Carter Cllr J Winfield</p>
<p>13)</p>	<p>Matters for future consideration Defibrillator update Community Garden update SEEPD Grant Application – Storage Noticeboard 2017-18 Budget</p>	
<p>14)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Date of the Next Meeting – Thursday 4th February 2015 at 7.40pm ALL ARE WELCOME. PLEASE NOTE THERE WILL BE NO MEETING IN JANUARY. Close at 9.00pm</p>	

Meeting dates for 2016.

All Thursdays

4 February

3 March

7 April

5 May

9 June

14 July

8 September

6 October

3 November

1 December

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