



## Great Shefford Parish Council

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<b>Minutes of the Meeting of Great Shefford Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2015 at 7.40pm</b>	<b>Present Cllr J Carter (Chairman)          Cllr S Ackrill Vice Chairman          Cllr J Winfield          Cllr G Knass          Parish Clerk S Ackrill          &amp; (new)Parish Clerk K Lloyd</b>	
	5 members of the Public were present And PCSO Lee Bremner.	<b>Action</b>
1)	<b>Apologies:</b> Cllr Parsons.	
	Cllr J Carter addressed the meeting firstly with saying a big thank you to the Parish Clerk Sandi Ackrill as this was Sandi's last meeting. Cllr J Carter and all councillors thanked Sandi for all her hard work over the last 5 years, and wished her well in the new role. Cllr J Carter than welcomed Kim Lloyd the new parish clerk into the role.	
2)	<b>Declarations of Interest on Agenda items</b> -none	
3)	<p><b>Item 7</b> on agenda '<b>Speeding</b>' was brought forward before open forum due to public demand.</p> <p>Cllr J Winfield had been in communications with Andrew England at West Berkshire concerning speed limits, especially the matter of Hungerford Hill bend. Andrew had reported with regards to the bottom of Hungerford Hill he had checked the injury accident records which is up to the end of November 2014 which shows the last accident in the vicinity occurred during September 2007 by the Malt House and did not involve the bend. He will check with the team to see if the signs are being replaced on a regular basis due to being damaged. Andrew also said a meeting is being held on 10 March where 4 roads are being discussed one of these being B4000 Shefford Woodlands (east of the A338 to M4 over bridge) requesting for a 50mph speed limit.</p> <p><b>PCSO Lee Bemner</b> addressed the meeting reporting that risk assessments had been done in the area to carry out speeding checks and some areas was not passed to safely stop cars for speeding. However speed checks will be done regular on the A388 with speeding guns. <b>PCSO Lee Bremner said to try and make everyone aware to report every accident that occurs by telephoning the 101 number. This will be recorded and once enough records have been logged it will then be investigated further.</b> It was also agreed by all councillors to put more pressure on West Berkshire for 'Road Rubber Strips' which records speed limits and reports back to base. <b>Cllr J Winfield</b> will contact West Berkshire regarding</p>	<b>Cllr J Winfield</b>



FOCAS - £200.00

Youth Club - £300.00

Puppet Show - £50.00

All have confirmed receipt and offered thanks and gratitude.

### **Country Fayre Program 2015**

Committee has been established and Rose Howe has remained chair.

Committee meets monthly and have already met three times to work on the 2015 program.

Program as follows:

#### **Village Walk - May 4th 2015**

Organiser Viv Williams

Short and long route similar to last year.

Planned activities include "treasure hunt" for kids and smart phone photo competition for all.

Refreshments on route.

Finish at Swan pub.

#### **Football Tournament - 20th June TBC**

Recreation Ground - Organiser - John Warr

5 a- side football competition - 3 age groups - medals and prizes

Picnic - refreshments / PA system

Football Coaching for youngsters

Businesses and locals will be invited - advance entry £5.00

individuals/teams can sign up on the day.

#### **Pre - Fayre Scarecrow Promotion**

Businesses and Residents can participate in a "scarecrow" competition leading up to show. Participants will dress up a person or character and display outside their property. Entry Free, prizes for best displays. Judging 12th July.

#### **Country Fayre - 19th July**

Lead Organisers - Rose Howe, Caroline and Paul Farrant

Great Shefford and Chaddleworth School

Array of stalls - craft, food and local organisation representation.

Headline activities like, hug a husky, Archery, Falconry Display TBC, and Another TBC.

Main Arena - assault course, school choir, African drumming, Steel Pans and a new format Dog Show.

Other activities / attractions still to be confirmed.

New style booklet Fayre guide planned

Raffle - £1.00 a ticket

#### **Horticultural Show - 27th September**

Location- Village Hall

Split out this year from main Fayre

6 Categories

For Children

Homemade Produce

	<p>Handicraft Floral Arrangements Flowers, Fruit and Veg Photography All categories will have a New format this year.</p> <p><b>Help Required</b> Volunteers needed to help on the day with most of above events. List of local businesses would be useful if exists. (Contact details a bonus) <b>Please contact: John Warr on 07956 306940, john@winterbournecottage.com</b></p>	
6)	<p><b>Finance -</b> <b>Cheques to be approved and signed</b> 100186 – FCC Recycling (UK) Ltd – £21.50 100187 – G. Shefford Village Hall - £80.00 100188 – West Berkshire District Council (Dog Waste) – £97.66 100189 – S &amp; S Ackril (Litter bin) – £45.00 100189 – S. Ackrill – postage &amp; handover memory stick - £24.76</p> <p><b>Cheques signed before meeting.</b> 100185 – Box of Blue (website) – £156.00</p> <p>(DD) £452.44 Griffins for Clerk and Payroll for January plus £40.00 Griffins Fee plus vat £8.00 - Total £500.44</p> <p>Current Account £14,046.31 Recreation Ground £9,221.59</p> <p>Parish Clerk S Ackrill reported that Sue Cottrell (internal auditor) had kindly said she will audit again this year for PC but this would be the last year.</p>	
8)	<p><b>Flooding Forum / EMT</b> Great Shefford hosted the latest meeting of the Lambourn Valley flood forum which was attended by both Cllr's Knass and Ackrill . John Winstanley from WBC confirmed that a topographical survey had been completed along the route of the proposed relief channel, when the results of this are received a feasibility study will then be undertaken. It was also confirmed that there are funds for the project in the budget for this year and next. Thames Water are continuing with repair works in Lambourn and will then be moving on to Eastbury.</p>	

10)	<p><b>Parish Assembly</b> – After discussion it was confirmed there would be an open forum parish council evening instead of a parish assembly this year due to the new clerk just starting. The date was discussed for the Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> April. Parish Clerk to confirm date with booking village hall before publishing.</p> <p>It was also discussed that a speaker from the Safer Communities Partnership may attend the evening who would like to work with the Parish Council and other organisations in Great Shefford to bring into the village a range of information activities to promote community safety and rural crime awareness.</p> <p><b>Cllr J Carter</b> said he would contact the representative at safer communities to discuss further.</p> <p><b>Clerk</b> to confirm village is free on 16<sup>th</sup> in next meeting.</p>	<p><b>Cllr J Carter</b></p> <p><b>Clerk</b></p>
11)	<p><b>Parish Archives</b> – nothing to report.</p>	
12)	<p><b>Bus Shelter</b> – it was discussed and agreed by all councillors to submit a members bid this year for the repair to the bus shelter for the roof structure.</p> <p><b>Cllr J Carter and Cllr G Knass</b> will put together a bid for submission to West Berkshire Council.</p>	<p><b>Cllr J Carter</b></p> <p><b>Cllr Knass</b></p>
13)	<p><b>Cllr Questions and reports.</b></p> <p><b>Cllr G Knass</b> - reported that the footpath map for shefford woodlands was done and waiting to be printed. Cllr G Knass asked Parish Clerk to thank WBC for their help.</p> <p><b>Cllr Winfield</b> will speak to Andrew England from WBC about the new signage at the bottom of Hungerford Hill.</p> <p><b>Cllr S Ackrill</b> asked Clerk K Lloyd to contact Streetcare to remove the Thatch off green opposite petrol station. Clerk will contact Streetcare.</p>	<p><b>Clerk</b></p> <p><b>Cllr Winfield</b></p> <p><b>Clerk</b></p>
14)	<p><b>Correspondence</b></p> <p>Penny Post available</p> <p>Parish Clerk S Ackrill received letter from Southern Electric asking if PC would like to pay by DD. All Councillors agreed this would be a good. Parish Clerk Kim Lloyd to set up.</p>	<p><b>Clerk</b></p>
15)	<p><b>Matters for Future Consideration –</b></p> <p>PCSO Lee Bemner will attend next meeting, to be added at beginning of next agenda.</p> <p>Speeding on next agenda</p> <p>Parish Open Forum evening on next agenda.</p>	<p><b>Clerk</b></p>
16)	<p><b>Date of the Next Meeting</b> – Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2015 at 7.40pm, meeting closed 9.30pm</p>	