



Great Shefford Parish Council

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Minutes from Thursday 4 October 2018

Present: Cllr G Knass, Cllr S McCarthy, Cllr E Bell, Cllr B Williams, and Clerk K Lloyd

- 1) **Apologies** - Cllr S Ackrill Chariman. Cllr Knass agreed to chair this meeting.
- 2) **Declarations of Interest** – on agenda items - None
- 3) **Open Forum** (time limit at Chairman's discretion)
- 4) **Planning**- None
- 5) **Minutes** 6 September 2018- to be agreed and signed.
Cllr McCarthy proposed and Cllr Williams seconded the minutes to be a true representation of the meeting. Cllr Knass signed the minutes.

6) Finance

a) Bank Accounts on 12 September 2018

Great Shefford Parish Council	£14,312.59
Recreation Ground Account	£10,221.59

b) Cheques to be approved in this meeting.

S/O	K.Lloyd –Clerk	£555.00
100395	K.Lloyd – 15.82 top up salary plus £10.33 for stamps /folder/dividers.	£26.15
100396	S & S Management Services Ltd	£246.00
100397	Came and Company (Insurance)	£1,254.51
100398	Mr Nigel Goldstraw (damage to the bench)	£17.00
100399	Great Shefford Village Hall	£60.00
100400	Aasvogel Recycling and Skip Hire (for playground works)	£278.48
100401	L J & C A Cannings (Digger for playground work)	£128.72
100402	FCC Recycling (UK) Ltd	£25.40
100403	Playdale Playground Ltd	£3,857.00

7 **Speeding in the village**

Following the last meeting the Clerk was asked to contact Highways WBC for the VAS data. The Clerk was informed this equipment does not have data download capabilities.

The Clerk asked again for highways to give more consideration to GS having a Speed Camera. The Clerk was informed Speed Cameras are operated by the police; Thames Valley Police are currently undergoing a phased upgrade of its fixed speed enforcement cameras. Over the 5 year period 120 housing across the Thames Valley will have been assessed to establish digitalisation capabilities and site modifications to be completed by the end of 2019 (establishing a 'new' camera site at this time is unlikely). If we were to pursue this route collecting data and completing all educational opportunities would be beneficial.

The latest data WBC hold is from 2007 so there is a number of options open to Great Shefford Parish: One asking our approved SID operators to collect new data by loaning the SID equipment from WBC. Looking at the 2007 data on file it currently meets with their DRAFT policy to initiate CSW so therefore we can request their speed co-ordinator assistant to schedule its deployment into his diary.

Cllr Ackrill had previously reported to PC that he and Cllr Bryan Williams (approved SID operators) are arranging to borrow the SID machine to update the Data for the village. A suitable location within the village is currently being discussed with highways as risk assessments are required.

Cllr Ackrill/Cllr Williams

8 **Playground Activity Trail update**

Cllr Knass had looked at the Activity Trail before the meeting and reported the fences were now gone. Cllr Ackrill had previously emailed Cllr Knass and the Clerk concerning more work is required to the uneven ground surface under and around the Trail. It was discussed that grass seed or turf will be required to finish the area. After discussion a budget of up to £300 was approved to pay for finishing the groundwork.

Cllr Knass/Cllr Ackrill

9 **Flood Alleviation Scheme**

Cllr Knass and Cllr Ackrill attended a flood forum meeting last week and had nothing further to report at this stage.

No more funds had been raised since the last PC meeting (a total of £42,687 is raised so far) we are still waiting for confirmation on the members bid. Cllr Knass said no correspondence received from the Scottish and Southern grant application yet.

A new event had been organised towards the Flood Alleviation Scheme which is being held on Saturday 1st December from 7-11pm in the village hall for only £30.00 per person this includes a buffet.

If you would like to donate- Please click on link.

<https://app.thegoodexchange.com/project/12191/great-shefford-flood-alleviation-association/great-shefford-flood-alleviation-scheme>

or go to www.thegoodexchange.com and find the project by number 12191.

10 Cllr Questions and reports

Cllr Knass reported the river was now looking good after volunteers helped on the weekend of 22-23 September to clear the river of weeds. GSPC thanked all that came to help on the day considering it was a very wet day it was good to see many volunteers lending a hand.

Unfortunately the Christmas tree work was not started due to the bad weather.

11 Clerk Correspondence

The Clerk said the Annual Playground Inspection is scheduled for late November early December and asked if it would be best to delay the inspection to the springtime. It was agreed to leave the inspection in Nov/Dec for this year. Clerk

12 Matters for future consideration – None

Close -8.30pm

Next Parish Council Meeting Thursday 1 November 2018