

7.30 pm Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2018

Shilton Village Hall, Shilton

**Minutes**

**Present:** Councillors: David Cuthbertson, Chairman, Jon Holloway, Harry Metcalfe,  
Chris Parker, Sarah Royle, Nicholas Field-Johnson O.C.C., Alex Postan W.O.D.C.

**1. Apologies:** None

**2. Declarations of Interests:** None

**3. Approval of minutes of previous meeting 17<sup>th</sup> October 2018.**

The minutes had been previously circulated and approved by all.

**4. Matters arising from this meeting not on the agenda:** None

**5. Report from O.C.C County Councillor Nick Field- Johnson**

**5.23 Highways**

Cllr N FJ informed the floor that OCC were budgeting to spend £120m on roads, fixing potholes etc. and that work had already begun.

**5.24 HGV Traffic and speed signs**

He reported that a resolution had been passed to ban HGV's from using Burford High Street. This he felt should benefit Shilton. He reported that many villages throughout O.C.C. had opted for 20MPH signage and that he would support Shilton in their actions.

**5.13 River Pollution**

O.C.C.is in the process of taking Thames Water to court concerning pollution and Sewerage input into rivers, in particular the Evenlode and Windrush.

**5.2 Report from W.O.D.C Councillor Alex Postan**

**5.25 Planning**

Cllr A P reported that the recent meeting between W.O.D.C Planning officers and SPC had proved beneficial and gave SPC a better insight as to what was required when responding to planning applications.

**5.26 Environment**

He was concerned the amount of pollution caused from wet-wipes and plastic cotton buds finding their way into water courses. He suggested that a way forward would be to insist all new housing developments to have a waste trap that would collect these items before entering the water courses.

**5.27 Unitary Council**

Cllr A P answered a question from the floor as to whether this was still progressing. He replied it was not and that it would not resurface.

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**6 Planning applications (new and updates):**

- 6.2** April House: SPC supported the off road parking place
- 6.3** Johnsons Farm: This was a second application. No comment from SPC.
- 6.4** Bridge House, Bridge Street (18/03542/LBC): No comment from SPC
- 6.5** Follyfield House: Submitted a retrospective planning application. The original architect's drawings were incorrect, placing the building too close to its neighbouring property.  
Cllr A P suggested to act accordingly with the information submitted.

**7 Finance Report including account balances & payments to be agreed.**

- 7.1** The Treasurers account stood at £8,884.21
- 7.2** The Flood defence fund stood at £8,365.06

**8 Neighbourhood Plan feedback and results of Examination.**

Cllr D C reported that the Neighbourhood Plan had been taken apart by the Examiner leaving only two of the original policies in place. Cllr D C said he felt this was unacceptable.

Cllr D C proposed that the Neighbourhood Plan, adopted by the Shilton Parish Council on the 20<sup>th</sup> April 2018 (Minutes: Item 4), should no longer be considered to be Council Policy and be withdrawn from the Independent Examination Process, being undertaken by West Oxfordshire District Council, under the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations 2012.

This resolution was proposed by Cllr D C and seconded by Cllr H M

**9 Security.****9.1 Neighbourhood Watch**

Cllr S R reported that Cold Callers were proving a problem. Her advice was not to answer the door and ask for credentials to be posted through the letterbox.

Cllr D C reported that Smart water has now been taken up by several parishioners.

**9.2 CCTV**

A discussion took place concerning the possibility of the installation of a village CCTV. It was reported that Burford already has one on the High Street; however monitoring could be a problem as electricity may be required and it uses a Cloud based system. Cllr S R agreed to investigate further and report back at the next meeting.

**10 Discussion concerning a village defibrillator.**

It was agreed to site the defibrillator at the Village Hall. The Council wishes to thank the Village Hall Association for their co-operation. The Clerk agreed to raise Purchase Order the external casing.

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David Cuthbertson, Chairman

**11. Traffic signage in Shilton Parish.**

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Cllr J H reported that he had been in communication with Swinbrook PC concerning their approach to implementing a 20 MPH throughout their village. He anticipated that the cost could be circa £6-7K and an implementation period of up to two years. A “Hotspots” survey would cost approx. £750.00. He commented that Administration would also be required. Cllr J H agreed to explore further.

Cllr N F J agreed that O.C.C. would contribute towards the costs.

**12. Parish maintenance.**

Cllr D C reported that lots of major works around the village had been recently carried out done by SPC’s main Contractor.

However, he proposed to add a small maintenance retainer (£100.00) per month for a person to maintain drains etc. around the village. The person would be under supervision of a Councillor, be provided with a works schedule and added to SPC payroll. Cllr H M seconded the proposal.

**13 Matters the Chairman views as urgent, not on the agenda**

**13.1 Charitable Donation**

Cllr C P requested a charitable donation of £50.00 for Green Slate a charity helping people who have been abused. Cllr C P proposed Cllr D C seconded the motion.

**14. Date of next meeting:** January 30<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm at Shilton Village Hall

Signed .....

**David Cuthbertson, Chairman**

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