

7.30 pm Wednesday 1st August 2018  
Bradwell Village Hall, Bradwell Village

**Draft Minutes**

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

1. **Apologies received** from Cllr Jon Holloway
2. **Declarations of Interests:** None
3. **The minutes** of the previous meeting, May 29th 2018, had been previously circulated and agreed by all. The Chairman duly signed off the minutes.
4. **Matters arising** from this meeting not on the agenda: None
5. **Reports from W.OD.C Cllr Alex Postan and O.C.C Cllr Nick Field-Johnson**
  - 5.1 Cllr A.P. reported that the Local Plan had taken 7 years to conclude and has had further alterations made to its content. Consultation will take place on the 17<sup>th</sup> of August.
  - 5.2 Cllr A.P. showed concerns that the proposed 2200 houses at Eynsham, North of A40 and a further 1000 houses planned for SW of A40 at Eynsham, will have a massive impact on the already congested A40.
  - 5.3 In addition, another development of 5000 houses at Witney will cause further problems on the A40, which is almost already at a standstill at peak times.  
Cllr D.C. agreed to make a comment outlining concerns to W.O.D.C planning.
  - 5.4 Cllr N F-J also expressed his disappointment and concerns over the proposed planning developments and agreed that the infrastructure is already overloaded and alternative measures to be explored.
  - 5.5 Cllr N-FJ reported that a proposed temporary ban on HGVs, routing through Burford to Carterton via Northleach onto the A34 or A40. The Cabinet Minister’s approval is now being sought.
  - 5.6 Cllr N-FJ advised that advisory 20MPH signs in both Swinbrook and Burford side roads are to be introduced and a 30MPH at Burford School.

**6. Speed Watch**

Cllr D.C. informed the floor that the police had informed the group that the speed gun, previously purchased and recommended by the Police, could not now be used as it is not accurate enough.

However, there are alternatives that meet the new specification. Prices range between £805 - £2225 excluding VAT. Cllr D.C. said if other Councils were in agreement, a speed gun could be purchased and the cost shared. Cllr D.C. agreed to contact other local parishes.

Signed.....  
Chairman

## 7. Neighbourhood Watch

Cllr Sarah Royle reported that the scheme is now up and running and a letter inviting residents to sign up to the scheme has been distributed around Shilton and Bradwell Village. A further reminder has appeared in the Shilton newsletter.

There have been instances of petty theft from properties reported. Cllr A.P. suggested that a letter be sent to Chief PCSO Stansfield to bring the matter to his urgent attention.

Suggestions for a village CTV were discussed, Cllr S. R. agreed to look into this.

It was reported that a resident on Church Lane has had CCTV installed following thefts from vehicles parked at the church. It was discussed that he would need signage alerting the public that CCTV is in operation and that he needs to be registered with the ICO.

## 8. Planning applications new and updates:

**8.1** Wheelwright Cottage, Ref 18/01987/LBC – No comment by SPC

**8.2** Cotswold Barn, Sturt Farm Ref 18/01886/FUL – No comment by SPC

**8.3** Bridge House, Ref 18/01726/HHD & 18/01831/LBC – No comment by SPC

**8.4** Westfield Lodge, Ref 8/01709/573 & 16/03822/FUL

Comment required by SPC concerning the house being separated into two dwellings.

## 9. Finance Report: Account balances, Payments to be agreed.

The Treasurers account stands at £6287.00 and the Flood defence Fund at £9565.06

## 10. Neighbourhood Plan Progress feedback and CLT

### 10.1 Neighbourhood Plan

Cllr D.C. reported that all is on hold as the W.O.D.C Local Plan is under consultation. Once this is finalised and accepted the Shilton Neighbourhood Plan will be re-submitted. Cllr D. C. anticipates this will be in November.

### 10.2 Community Land Trust

Cllr D.C. informed the floor that the Charity Commission has agreed in principal however because W.O.D.C's local plan is not yet in place this is also on hold.

## 11. Discussion concerning Village maintenance

Councillor D.C. expressed concern that O.C.C. Highways has cut back its budget to one cut per year. This has led to many verges to become overgrown, in a poor state and in some cases at junctions, obstructing vision to both vehicles and pedestrians alike.

He suggested the SPC may have to take over the responsibility and do the work. Not an ideal situation as the cost will be shouldered by SPC's small budget.

Cllr D.C. and Cllr H.M agreed to explore the possibility of sourcing a local farmer to do the work on an hourly basis, utilising the correct equipment, to keep the verges cut at appropriate times during the year.

Signed.....

Chairman

**12. Update concerning Shill Maintenance**

**12.1** Cllr D.C. updated the floor and said a date had been set, October 8<sup>th</sup>, for work to begin on the River Shill. At a recent meeting, with Mr Laurence King of W.O.D.C., it was agreed that after the completion of the work, photographs will be taken along the Shill, on a regular basis, to ensure that the riparian owners maintain their stretch of the river. The flood defence fund will use its funds to cover the initial cost of the work. Thereafter it will become the responsibility of the riparian owners and measures taken to make sure they comply.

**12.2** Cllr H M reported that the sluice gates at the Bunds are operating with a controlled flow of water, however the Ford is not as full

**12.3** There is an issue at Sheep Dip Bridge with a backup of water. The landowner is to be contacted and also O.C.C. who is responsible for the maintenance of the bridge.

**13. Date of next meeting : October 17<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm at Shilton Old School**

Signed.....  
Chairman

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