

# SHILTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

24<sup>th</sup> September 2014  
Shilton Old School at 7.30pm

**Councillors:** Mr M Linney- Chairman, Mr B Adams, Mr A Postan,  
Mr Neil Owen OCC, Clerk: Mrs Ann Tyldesley  
8 members of the public in attendance

**The meeting was declared open at 7.30pm**

**Apologies received from Cllr Justin Heyworth**

- 1. Declaration of Interests** - building work in progress at Cllr AP's garage
- 2. The Clerk's report on matters outstanding from previous meeting**  
All actions were completed with exception to a meeting arranged concerning speeding restrictions in Hen and Chick lane whereby Mr Daniel Depp failed to meet with Cllr ML nor were any reasons or apologies given.  
**Action:** Cllr ML to contact him again.
- 3. Approval of Minutes of the 9th July Shilton Parish Council meeting** duly signed by Cllr M Linney

## **County Councillor and District Councillor reports**

### **1. Mr Neil Owen OCC**

Mr Owen reported that there was little activity due to the summer break and there were no major issues. He said that there was a small budget available of £1000 that could be used to improve, repair and maintain Parish highway signs.

**Action:** AT to list requirements and forward to N Owen

Mr Owen noted that the sign at Hen and Chick Lane was not covered by this scheme but promised to look into it and at the same time the problems associated with Alvescot Road passing places.

**Action:** to be kept on action points list

Cllr M L thanked Mr Owen for his contribution to the Flood Defence Scheme.

### **2. Cllr Alex Postan WODC**

#### **Calming Measures at the dip at Shilton.**

Cllr AP reported that in 2012, Phil Shaw, District Planning Officer and D W Homes agreed to a condition for calming measures at the dip at Shilton. This seems to have been forgotten in the planning process and permission granted.

**Action:** Cllr AP to meet with Mr P Shaw in the first week in October and hopes to gain agreement that this can be re-instated as a condition.

#### **Planning issues**

Cllr AP reported that there were strong objections to the development of a new settlement at Sturt. There were concerns from some of the small businesses units on the existing site and their neighbours who are worried that seventeen new homes will be drawing water from the existing bore hole. Burford Council is also unhappy with on the road access.

**Action:** Letter of objection sent to the Planning Dept. at WODC

There needs to be a response to WODC concerning 700 potential homes at Brize Norton and 1000 at Alvescot Road. Cllr AP recommends that he will quote Cookson's definition of Buffer zones, for rural communities, with reference to Monahan Way, Carterton.

Signed.....Malcolm Linney, Chairman

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**4. Chairman's report** (please see attached document) which includes specific new projects:

- a) Permission to lay a water supply across the old allotment field by Mr and Mrs Rawlings
- b) Re: Quotation for tree pollarding around the Pond. At the last cut it was agreed that the contractor left the trees too tall (18-20') It was suggested that they should be dropped to 12-14'. A quotation of £1100 (exc.VAT) was submitted by McCracken and Son. This was proposed by Cllr AP and seconded by Cllr BJ.

It was also agreed to de-silt the Shilton pond again when the pond is full of water

- c) Vacancy for a Councillor – the position has been advertised in the locality of Shilton and Bradwell and there are interested parties who have expressed their interest to Cllr M Linney

**5. Public Consultation**

- a) Comments were made that the signage at the crossroads of the Wildlife Park and on the side from Burford are severely overgrown and Is it possible to have them pruned?
- b) Mr John Colson, our local farmer, reported that he cannot see past the Leylandi trees that are located at the junction of Manor lane and the B4240. Can a request be made to the landlord at Manor Lodge to trim them back?

**Action:** Cllr M L to contact the owner of Manor Lodge

**6. Business Items**

- a) Financial report - budget to be reviewed/agreed at the extraordinary meeting Friday October 3<sup>rd</sup>. Bank Statement at 30<sup>th</sup> August £19,588.19 which includes monies belonging to the Flood Defence Fund.
- b) Grant applications , there were none to report
- c) Contract Services document under review by Councillors after seeking legal advice.

**7. Local services and amenities – no comment**

**8. Planning applications within the Parish**

New application from Andrew Bray, Quakers on the Hill, Shilton. Planning drawings to be circulated for Parish Councillor's comment and returned to Cllr M L. if anyone would like to view

**9. Organisations and services operating within the Parish:**

- 1. Conservation Trust – nothing to report
- 2. Welfare Trust – nothing to report
- 3. Old School Committee – Cllr M L met with the Secretary to discuss the lease of the Village Hall and its terms with reference to insurance policies. They have agreed to review the current arrangements

**Action:** Carry forward

**10. Neighbourhood developments, other Parishes and Local plan – see Cllr AP's report**

**11. Members meeting summation and items for the next meeting agenda.**

Covered a lot of information but was the meeting too long? The meeting closed at 8.55pm

**12. Date of the next meeting to be decided at Extraordinary meeting Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> and will form a year's diary**

Signed.....Malcolm Linney, Chairman

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