

GREAT SHELFORD PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of Parish Council Meeting in the Memorial Hall,
Woollards Lane, Great Shelford on Wednesday 16th November 2011

Present: Councillors Mrs Bennee (chairman) Mrs Hodge (vice-c/man) Mrs Amis, Mr Coggins, Mrs Hinsby, Mr Hinsby, Mr Johnson, Mr Nightingale, Mr Seeking, Mr Smith and Mr Wilkinson.

Also in attendance: County Councillor Dr Kenney, District, Councillors Mr Nightingale and Mr Shelton.

Apologies: were received from Councillors Mrs Harwood, Mr Knowles, Mr Orgee and Mr Whiteman-Downes.

1. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 19th October were **confirmed** as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

2. MATTERS ARISING

Village Hall Windows (minute 2) Copies of estimates for the new windows have not been received from the Community Association.

Highways (minute 4) Re-lining on Woollards Lane has still not been done and customers continue to park outside Tesco. A number of Fixed Penalty Notices have issued by the PCSO's.

Car Park (minute 6) The scheduled repairs have still not been done.

3. NOMINATIVE & ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES

County Council

Cllr: Dr Kenney gave her report – see attached.

Referring to the A14 she said it is likely that improvements will now take place. Cllr: Shelton said the building of 900 houses at Northstowe will enforce the need for improvements.

District Council

Cllr: Nightingale said the enforcement order at Hilltrees has gone into action. Under order 124 the site will be walked to see what needs to be cleared, if this is not carried out within 28 days professionals will be called in, with the cost going to the owner of the site.

He talked about further development at the M11/Trumpington junction and how this will impact on the area, particularly Hauxton Road.

Welch's are planning to move from Granta Terrace to Duxford. The site, together with the garage on London Road and the car park opposite will be used for housing.

Cllr: Shelton said SSYI is opening a branch in Little Shelford. The youth workers are dedicated people and he fully supports their efforts. He then talked about a Community Class Fund of up to £1,000 that is available to local groups such as the SSYI.

He was disappointed that the Appeal Inspector approved the plans for the Railway Tavern site. Cable theft is on the increase, removing the copper from cables cuts off everything with devastating results to the surrounding area.

Police Liaison

Cllr: Seekings said the post office was broken into on Saturday fortunately the alarm frightened them away.

4. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Recreation Ground

Cllr: Smith reported that:

The dead ivy covered tree has been removed, the owner of the coppice has agreed to look at the 5 dead trees, the football club celebrates its centenary in 2012 and wish to install a commemorate plaque and the fencing has been removed from the implement shed.

It has been suggested that a seat and a tree should be installed on the recreation ground to commemorate the Queens Diamond Jubilees.

To apply for a grant from the Queen Elizabeth Diamond Jubilee Fund the recreation ground will need to be registered.

Cllr: Coggins asked how things stood regarding the Grange Field. The Chairman said the owners are aware that the parish council wants to purchase the field but other than that there is nothing else it can really do. Compulsory purchase is certainly not an option.

Public Art

Cllr: Mrs Hinsby confirmed that the contract with Holkham Forge has been signed and a meeting will take place in December to see how things are progressing.

5. PAVILION SHOWERS

The showers in the pavilion are in a dreadful condition and need to be replaced; estimates have been obtained. Following some discussion it was proposed by Cllr: Smith, seconded by Cllr: Johnson that the work should be carried out by Sawston Plumbing at a cost of £1,716 – **agreed**.

6. FINANCE

It was **resolved** that 14 accounts totalling £3,151.85, as presented by the Clerk, be approved for payment.

10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

It is proposed to have the village sign re-painted.

The area in front of the pocket park has been cleared and graveled – a vote of thanks was offered to the three councillors who carried out the work.

The meeting closed at 9. 05pm

Chairman.....