

GREAT SHELFORD PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held in the Memorial Hall,
Woollards Lane, Great Shelford on Thursday 14th June 2012

Present: Councillors Mr Nightingale (chairman) Mrs Hodge(vice-chairman) Mrs Amis, Mr Coggins, Mrs Harwood, , Mr Seeking, Mr Smith and Mr Wilkinson. Also in attendance: District Councillors Mr Nightingale and Mr Whiteman-Downes.

Apologies: were received from Councillors Mrs Bennee, Mrs Hinsby, Mr Johnson, Mr Knowles and Dr Kenney.

The two PCSO's Garry and Chris talked about what is happening in the villages in particular the closure of the Longbow in Stapleford, and as a result the ongoing work with local public houses. They continue to monitor the Friday night youth club, working closely with the youth leader. The last few weeks have been quiet with the young people enjoying organized games and events outside.

Parking outside Tesco still occurs; over the last three months 70 parking tickers have been issued.

The Chairman thanked Garry and Chris.

1. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 16th May were **confirmed** as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

2. MATTERS ARISING

- a) *Waiting Restriction High Green* (minute 2a) The proposed restricted parking bays have at last been advertised.
- b) *Granhams Road Junction* (minute 7) The Chairman said the alterations at Granhams junction fall short of what was proposed and are inadequate; he has lodged a complaint.
- c) *Jubilee Celebrations* (minute 7) The chairman thanked Iain Wilkinson for organising the jubilee celebrations. This was endorsed, with everyone agreeing it had been a very great success.

3. NOMINATIVE & ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES

Twinning Association

Cllr: Nightingale said a group from France hopes to be in the village during Feast week.

Parochial Charities

Cllr: Amis said a bungalow that was vacated has been re-allocated.

Sustainable Shelford

Cllr: Harwood confirmed that the open garden event will take place on Sunday 17th June.

4. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Recreation Ground

Cllr: Smiths reported the following:

- a) the bridge over the soak ditch has been successfully repaired
- b) the play area railings have been ordered and arrangements are in hand to move and repair three pieces of play equipment. The meeting was shown a map indicating where they will go; suitable safety surfacing will need to be considered
- c) no action has yet been taken regarding the dead trees in the coppice
- d) the skate board ramp needs attention
- e) he had helped Seamus to move the goal posts so that he could to cut the grass. The goal posts are very heavy making it extremely difficult to move them single handedly. He is concerned that despite being told, Seamus does not wear appropriate safety gear when using mechanical apparatus.
- f) preparations are in hand to put the new pavilion out to tender. As some grants have a time limit it was suggested that the council should seriously consider taking out a loan

Highways

Cllr: Coggins said he and other members of the committee are not prepared to be chairman of highways. The Chairman said he thought Ben Shelton might be persuaded.

Planning

Cllr: Hodges went through her report.

5. EMERGENCY PLAN

Cllr: Whiteman-Downes asked if the councillors had looked at the draft copy and managed to make any contributions. Cllr: Coggins said it the plan is impressive and it was agreed that Cllr: Whiteman-Downes should keep going.

6. ADDITIONAL CAR PARK

The Chairman said he had looked at the piece of land offered for additional parking but felt that the cost involved to create a relatively small number of parking spaces would be excessive. The meeting considered the options and proposed that the first step would be to establish whether it would be possible for the parish council to adopt the private road leading to the area of land in question.

7. ROUNDABOUT HINTON WAY

The Chairman said Hill Residential has offered to sponsor the roundabout at Shelford Bottom and proposed that it should be named in memory of Peter Hinsby.

Cllr: Amis said that Dandys Coppice is in need of attention.

8. FINANCE

It was **resolved** that 22 accounts totalling £13,772.67, as presented by the Clerk, be approved for payment.

7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Cllr: Amis thanked the council for putting her name forward for the Queens Jubilee picnic at Burleigh House; a lovely experience.

The meeting closed at 8.53pm

Chairman.....