GREAT SHELFORD PARISH COUNCIL Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held in the Memorial Hall, Woollards Lane, Great Shelford on Wednesday 17th October 2013

Present: Councillors Mr Nightingale (chairman) Mrs Hodge (vice-chairman) Mrs Amis, Mrs Hinsby, Mrs Milson, Mr Seeking, Mr Shelton and Mr Winter. Also in attendance County Councillor Dr Kenney and Mr Orgee, District Councillors Mr Nightingale and Mr Shelton and four members of the public.

Apologies: were received from Councillors, Mr Coggins, Mrs Harwood, Mr Knowles, Mr Smith and Watson.

1. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 18th September 2013 were **confirmed** as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

The meeting closed for the open session.

Mrs Smith asked about the proposed reduction of the speed limit on Hinton Way and Cambridge Road and talked about fly posting and the poor condition of footways throughout the village. Further comments were made from the floor concerning the state of footways and due the lack of regular road sweeps, the enormous amount of leaves littering the streets; blocking many of the drains. The Chairman explained that the relevant papers and petitions concerning the speed reduction on Hinton Way and Cambridge Road that were sent to County Council Highways seem to have gone astray. Cllr: Orgee said although money has been allocated for footway maintenance the worst ones are being done first.

It was proposed that the appropriate department should be asked to provide a schedule of road sweeping, leaf and drain clearing.

There being not further items the meeting resumed.

2. MATTERS ARISING

- a) Planning application Rectory Farm (*Open session*) Three charitable trusts are looking at the possibility of taking on the affordable units at Rectory Farm.
- b) *Dead trees* (minute 4 The Chairman the trees will be removed next month.
- c) *Chancel Repair*(minute 4) Solicitors are look at the legal aspect before referring to Jesus College.

3. NOMINATIVE & ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES

County Council

Watr for report on GSVN

An on site meeting has been arranged with Emma Murden the County Council Services Manager for Local Infrastructure and Streets on 28th September; Cllrs: Orgee and Kenney agreed to be there. The on going problem of the damaged fence on the railway bridge was again raised. Network Rail promised to deal with this some time ago. The Chairman said he thought the Enforcement Officer should be made aware of the problem.

District Council

Cllr: Shelton said he was please to see Cllrs: Hodge and Smith representing the parish council at the last cabinet meeting (check actual title of meeting). Talking about local housing he stressed the importance of looking for suitable pockets of land that could be built on before full scale development is imposed on us (?)

Cllr: Nightingale said an injunction on Hilltrees is going to court within the next 4 weeks.

Police Liaison

Cllr: Shelton said a new Inspector for South Cambridgeshire has been appointed; he is very hands on and being at Sawston contactable.

In the past financing PCSOs was ring fence, unfortunately they are now come under general funding. Every effort must be made to ensure that the Shelfords maintain its dedicated team.

Community Association

When the main door is left open members of the public are using the toilets and some damage has occurred; in future the toilets will be kept locked. New curtains are to be fitted throughout the hall.

4. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Highways

Cllr: Shelton confirmed the meeting on 28th September to look at various highway issues.

Planning

Cllr: Hodge went through her report.

5. NEW PAVILION

Work in progressing and on schedule. Due to additional expenditure, approval at last months meeting, finances are very tight.

6. WOOLLARDS LANE

Cllr: Shelton said he had been contacted by a number of people following the open session at last months meeting. Parents and shopkeepers are concerned for the safety of pedestrians on Woollards Lane and Church Street and ask what can be done to ease the situation. A full discussion took place with various options coming forward. As much of the congestion is from lorries making deliveries; it was suggested that by moving the disabled parking bay from outside Mcolls to the Chinese Restaurant it would stop lorries parking across the entrance to the car park. The general consensus was that there is no quick fix however by a process of elimination progress perhaps a solution can be found.

7. FINANCE

It was **resolved** that 13 accounts totalling £66,915.89, as presented by the Clerk, be approved for payment.

The Clerk announced the successful concluded of the audit of accounts for the year ended 31^{st} March 2013.

The meeting closed at 8.36pm

Chairman.....