

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SHOSCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 8th
SEPTEMBER 2022

Present: Ian Cannock (Chair), Fiona Crockett, Tricia Wastvedt, Lisa Coles, David Cradock and Jean Fossaceco (Clerk)

Also Present: Matt McCabe

1. **Apologies:** Anthony Lewis
2. **Declaration of Interests for this meeting:** None
3. **10 Minutes Public participation:** None
4. **Minutes of the last meeting:** These were found to be correct.

5. Clerk's Report	ACTION	TIMELINE
Report distributed. Following the election next year on Thursday 4 th May 2023, our next PC meeting must take place between May 8 th and May 22 nd . It was decided this would be scheduled for Thursday May 11 th . Permission was granted for the clerk's holiday request from 26 th May to 4 th June 2023.		
6. Ward Councillor Report		
The government inspectors' request about student accommodation changes concerns the revised current local plan which is expected to now be adopted very soon. Work on a new Local Plan will begin with the consultation process commencing soon. This will include consideration to the gap in land supply and development. Consideration is being given to the bus crisis. The Climate and Diversity Festival will still go ahead as will the Repair Café.		
7. Financial Matters		
A refund of VAT was submitted and has been received - £1065.25. It was agreed that, despite the postponement of the Eco Fayre on 1 st October, the Village Hall will hold the £100 hire fee, which the Parish Council donated, in their account to offset the costs when the Fayre takes place in the future.		
8. Planning		
The PC response of 'no objection' to the Weeks' planning application - 22/02664/FUL was noted.		
9. Climate, Nature and Sustainability Working Group		
Report distributed. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The planned newsletter piece is on hold at the moment with the Eco Fayre being postponed. The photo competition will still go ahead with the talk still taking place on Friday 30th September in the Village Hall; the photos will be on display. Our Ward Councillor mentioned the event taking place at Beacon Hall. He will email details which the clerk will forward. 2. Potential Electrical Charging Points – advice has been sought from neighbouring parishes and the Group awaits their responses. Discussions are also taking place with local residents and costs are being considered. 3. Proposal to plant an oak tree on the Recreation Field – discussions are taking place with the Village Hall, an arborist and residents with consideration being given to location with regard to any cricket matches that may resume. Two areas are being considered, neither being too close to the boundary. DC will assist with advice on the protection of the tree. 	<p>JF</p> <p>TW</p> <p>DC/TW</p>	<p>On receipt of email</p> <p>Ongoing</p>
10. Allotments		
Consideration of sites is an ongoing process.		

11. Councillor Reports		
<p>Reports distributed.</p> <p>A) Village Hall – nothing new to report</p> <p>B) HELAA/Local Plan/JSP – nothing new to report – a new Local Plan is to be embarked upon with consultation following soon.</p> <p>C) Public Rights of Way – many thanks to Councillors and residents who have helped with the clearing of brambles (particularly near kissing gates) over the summer. The overhanging vegetation is to be cleared from parts of the Cinder Path and a dangerous tree branch is to be attended to by our Councillor, DC. Many thanks for his prompt offer. Highways will look at the drain at the bottom of the Cinder Path to address the flooding/mud issue as well as dealing with a problem at the end of Single Hill near the turning/ parking area.</p> <p>D) School – as the report says, it has been a relatively quiet time with the summer holidays but term has begun now.</p> <p>E) Highways – DC meets regularly with our Highways Inspector and has a very helpful working relationship with him. We await the B&NES consultation exercise with regard to the possible enforceable 20 mph signs. It was noted how pleased both the Council and residents are with the resurfacing of St Julian’s Road and Shoscombe Vale. It is expected further road improvements in the form of a road a year will be completed in the future.</p> <p>F) Church & Burial Board – there is an issue with the disposal of rubbish at the cemetery which is becoming an ongoing problem. Discussions included a possible camera, notices being displayed and images of the rubbish being displayed on our social media page in an effort to deter people from doing this. It will be queried if the grass cutting contractors are or could be responsible for the removal of rubbish.</p>	<p>DC</p> <p>FC in conjunction with Wellow PC</p>	<p>ASAP</p> <p>By next meeting</p>
12. Extension of 20mph speed limits and replacement sign at junction of Gullen		
<p>A consultation exercise will take place with residents before any action is taken. Consideration could be given to a community speedwatch group. It is hoped, should this move forward, repeater signs could be kept to a minimum. The clerk will check with Wellow as to their opinion on effectiveness of the traffic calming and signage.</p>	<p>JF</p>	<p>By next meeting</p>
13. Application for Lottery Funding		
<p>In order to move ahead with this, a specific project should be identified. This could, following research, include possible money towards the installation of electric charging points but further investigation into costs and infrastructure would need to be investigated.</p>	<p>FC/JF</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>
14. Play Area Inspection/Repairs		
<p>Following the latest B&NES inspection, areas highlighted as low risk/monitor have been investigated and advice/costs will be sought from B&NES.</p>	<p>JF</p>	<p>ASAP</p>
Dates of the next meetings		
<p>12th October 2022 – Parish Liaison 17th November – Parish Council 11th January 2023 – Parish Council 9th March 2023 – Parish Council 11th May 2023 – Parish Council</p>		