

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SHOSCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 23RD MAY 2017

Present: Jackie Withers (Chair), Ian Cannock (Vice-Chair), Mary Upton, Andrew Wilding, Amy Cradock, Lee Crowther-Russell, Grant Thomas and Jean Fossaceco (Clerk)

Also Present: Two members of the public

Apologies: None

1. **10 Minutes allocation for Public Participation** - None
2. **Minutes of the last meeting – 27th April:** These were found to be correct.

3. Report from the Clerk on actions since previous meeting	ACTION	TIMELINE
Report already distributed. The clerk has been in contact with Craig Jackson, Highways to ask them to look again at the water flow down White Hill due to a blocked drain and pot-holes. We have not heard anything back so this will be further investigated. The clerk will also clarify some matters with Kate Meopham regarding the installation of new litter bins – installation/ maintenance/insurance/ emptying. The meeting regarding 20 mph zones was cancelled, we await a new date. The letter to the Diocese will be re-drafted by Mr Cannock and forwarded to the clerk for distribution.	JF	
4. Parish Council Vacancy		
This is ongoing.		
5. Parish Plan		
Report and full Plan has been distributed to all councillors who have made suggested amendments. This is now being finalised and Survey Monkey will help with the compilation. A final copy will be printed and distributed with the launch planned for Village Day.		
6. Burial Board Vacancy		
This is in hand.		
7. School and Young People		
The school has been approached about Bikeability but, as the lessons needed to take place on the school playground for large parts of the day, this was felt to be impractical. If the details are still available, the clerk will scan and forward these details to Mrs Cradock as she would like to look into this further.	JF	
8. Village Hall		
Report already distributed. The NATWEST bank account is being updated. The insurance is in order with regard to Film Club. The clerk will scan the assets listed on the insurance policy and send to all councillors. A fund-raising event will take place on Friday 26 th May – Sounds Familiar Music Quiz. There is some concern over unwanted activities in the village hall car-park and Mrs Withers has suggested in her report that we consider locking the gate again. There would need to be	JF	

<p>volunteers if we return to the original system where it is locked in the evening and unlocked in the morning; this will be mentioned in the newsletter. Other suggestions are an electronic gate which would open and close on a timer or a swipe card operating system. The clerk will contact the Community Police Officer and ask if he can come and talk to the council at the meeting on 13th July about our concerns. A representative of the Village Hall Committee could also be present. Mr Wilding will look into signage from Future Security. Mrs Cradock is looking into the repair of the cricket nets. We have some advice from Jon Solly, a TA at the school and cricket coach.</p> <p>David Gillard will be asked to undertake a quarterly inspection of the play equipment.</p>	JF	
9. Fracking		
Nothing further to report.		
10. Footpaths/PROW		
Report already distributed. Sheila Petheridge and the Bath Ramblers have been very helpful. The clerk will write to Keith Weller to express our thanks.	JF	
11. Highways Issues/HGV Weight Limit		
The signs have been authorised and ordered and will be installed within the 6 to 8 weeks. There will be one at the junction of Hang Hill and Wellow lane and one at the top of Barn Hill.		
12. Parking near the school		
Report already distributed. Mr Cannock has drafted out a letter but will re-draft. This will be forwarded to the Diocese, the Head Teacher and Governors. FOSSA will also write to B&NES and the Diocese. Mrs Gascoigne suggested perhaps the new School Parliament could also write.	IC	
13. Broadband		
Chris Head has said a contractor will be appointed at the end of May with workshops commencing following this. Re-scheduled dates will be forwarded.		
14. Social Media/Blog		
There has been a post about an irate resident unhappy about the parking near the end of the cinder path of a parent while they collected their child/children from school. It was felt this was not necessarily inappropriate but, should anything unsuitable be posted, then Mrs Cradock could use her administrator's rights to remove this.		
15. Grant Application		
Report distributed. Nothing further to report.		

16. History Boards (Unveiling)		
Report distributed. Everything went well. It was suggested these could be included on the asset register. The clerk will forward our present asset listing plus risk assessment. ***** Agenda Item	JF	
17. Planning		
The Vale House planning application has been approved. The council had no objections to this. The school has re-submitted a planning application for the fencing – 17/01752/FUL - the council has no objections. Springfield Cottage has submitted an application for a raised terrace – 17/02104/FUL - The council has no objections.		
18. Financial Matters		
A cheque has been received from the Church - £100 towards the village newsletter Payments were passed for ALCA annual subscription - £75.76, £500 towards Village Newsletter expenses (this includes the Church's contribution) The Village Hall will be asked for a donation of £500 towards PC expenses.		
It was noted that Mrs Withers will be away for 6 weeks from the end of this week.		
<p align="center">DATES OF THE NEXT MEETINGS</p> <p>8th June – now cancelled 28th June – Parish Liaisons 13th July – Parish Council 14th September – Parish Council 28th September – ALCA 12th October – Parish Council 26th October – Parish Liaisons 9th November – Parish Council 14th December – Parish Council 11th January 2018 – Parish Council 25th January 2018 – ALCA 8th February 2018 – Parish Council 28th February 2018 – Parish Liaisons 8th March 2018 – Parish Council 12th April 2018 – Parish Council 10th May 2018 – Annual Assembly of Electors and Annual Parish Meeting</p>		