

**Shutford Parish Council Meeting**  
**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2025 at 7.30pm in Shutford Village Hall**

The meeting commenced at 7.30pm

**Present:** Cllrs: Ashley Taylor (Chair), George Reynolds, Alison Hughes, Chris Hall, Stephen Barnes, David Best (Clerk) and 4 members of the public attended the meeting.

25/051	<b>Co-option of new Councillor</b> – Bill Richardson was co-opted as a councillor.
25/052	<b>Apologies for Absence:</b> County Councillor Chris Brant
25/053	<b>Declarations of Interest:</b> None.
25/054	<b>Minutes of the last meeting:</b> It was <b>RESOLVED</b> that the minutes of the meeting held on 10 <sup>th</sup> September 2025 were a correct record (unanimous) and signed by the chairman.
25/055 25/055/1 25/055/2  25/055/3 25/055/4 25/055/5	<b>Matters arising from previous minutes:</b> <b>Dogs on the Dairyground</b> – it was agreed to order a “Children’s play area – No Dogs” sign. <b>Flagpole</b> – This has now been repaired but it no longer folds down. The Voneus Broadband cable runs next to the flagpole. It is believed that the village hall management committee has contacted Voneus about this. <b>Postal service</b> – This has improved since residents complained to the Post Office. Residents are encouraged to complain to the Post Office if there are delays. <b>Implementation of 20mph speed limit</b> – The implementation by OCC is still outstanding. <b>Gulley emptying</b> – Some have been emptied but some are still full of dirt and gravel. <b>Dot Harvey’s Bench installation</b> – The contractor who is installing the bench at the bus station has been chased.
25/056 25/056/1 25/056/2	<b>Parish Matters:</b> <b>Litter Bin at Jame Corner</b> – It was agreed that replacement litter bins and costs would be investigated. <b>Repairs to bus shelter</b> – It was agreed that Mr Andrew Sabin will be asked to quote for repairs.
25/057 25/057/1	<b>Finance:</b> <b>Accounts and Budget</b> – The accounts to 31 <sup>st</sup> October and the draft 2026-27 budget were circulated prior to the meeting. It was agreed to increase the Precept by £4.65 per household.
25/058	<b>Correspondence</b>
25/059 25/059/1	<b>Planning:</b> <b>Agricultural Barn along Sibford Road</b> – CDC Planning has confirmed that the use of the barn is being investigated. The reference for the investigation is 25/00383/ENF.
25/060	<b>District Councillor Report</b> - None
25/061 25/061/1 25/061/2 25/061/3 25/061/4	<b>Any Other Business:</b> <b>Use of dog poo bins</b> – Balscote Parish Council are to be approached to understand if they have encountered inappropriate use of dog waste bins within Balscote. <b>Allotments</b> – Two allotments have become available. They will be advertised. <b>Agendas</b> – It was agreed that the clerk will issue the agenda at least 2 weeks prior to the meeting to allow time for additions and publication. <b>Ditch across footpath 346/16/10</b> – A ditch has been dug across the footpath running in the field behind the Plot Road allotments. This will be reported to OCC as walkers have to divert off the path.

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2026 at 7.30pm in Shutford Village Hall.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 8.58pm.

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Signed by Chairman.....

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