

**Notes of the Parish Council Meeting held on
12 July 2017
Your Parish Council**

Barbara Reynolds (Clerk)	780479
Lynne Parsons (Chair)	780649
Malcolm Goldie (Vice-Chair)	788538
Athene Duffield	788332
Rose Hancock	780622
John Yeomans	780564
Andrew McEwan	788266
Helen Gibbs	07500937390

We welcomed one member of the public as well as Cllr. George Reynolds.

**The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Wednesday 13 September
2017.**

The meeting will start at 7.30p.m in the village hall.

**Thereafter meetings will be held on the second Wednesday every other month
in the village hall**

Parish councillors would welcome more villagers at these meetings to participate in the democratic process.

HIGHWAYS: Frustration with the pot holes, their lack of repair and the apparent lack of speed with which the highways department at the County Council works continues. The clerk's perseverance in writing to the Council is admirable. There are at least markings on the road that indicate some repair work may be imminent.

SPEED CHECK: The data from the temporary speed camera purchased by the Parish Council was sent to the police and the Road and Safety officer at Oxfordshire County Council both of whom confirmed the analysis made by the Parish Council. We are aware that data collected at other times including volume of traffic will vary if collected at other times. Parish Councillors are mindful that speed is a problem on occasions and want to try to take action to ameliorate this. We have agreed to purchase several "Twentys Plenty" signs to be erected at entrances/exits to the village. We also intend to ask the Road and Safety officer at

OCC to come to the village and carry out a technical assessment. He has already told us that any traffic calming measures that are installed have to be financed by the Parish Council and could cost anywhere between £5 – 7K. His technical assessment is no guarantee that traffic calming will be installed but his advice will be useful in informing further action if necessary.

ALLOTMENTS: We now have five residents on the waiting list who would very much like to rent and cultivate an allotment. Some have been waiting for some time. All the allotments have now been inspected and councillors will continue to monitor them on a regular basis. Councillors are clear that allotments that are not cultivated cannot be held when there are others who wish to use them. Allotment rents are due in September and we have decided that where an allotment has not been cultivated to any degree then the allotment holder will be told that they need to share their allotment with those on the waiting list. **If, however, you are willing to share your allotment now then please let us know by contacting the Clerk to the PC.**

DAIRYGROUND: Hurrah! The PC will be purchasing a new see saw for Dairyground and it will be erected as soon as possible. Usual safety warning re the see saw in place at the moment.

DE-FIB: This is now in place. Cllr. Helen Gibbs is the lead councillor responsible for this equipment and will be organising training for its use shortly. **Cllr. Gibbs is keen to hear from any volunteers who would like to be trained and help with checking the de-fib.** Email: helengibbs84@hotmail.co.uk or telephone.

Please also note the following:

Alison Hughes Roselawn Ivy Lane. I am the NHS Community First Responder for Shutford. I also carry a defibrillator along with oxygen and am fully trained as back up for certain conditions if someone dials 999.

ROAD CLOSURES: Some villagers may be aware that there are two road closures either end of the village; one starting on **24 July** lasting one month between Shutford and North Newington and from Five Turns to unnamed road to Broughton. The other starting on **7 August** lasting one month on the Epwell Road. This is clearly going to cause some inconvenience. The clerk is contacting Thames Water to clarify this situation and any changes to this will be posted on the village notice boards.