

## Shutford Parish Council Meeting

### Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2022 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

The meeting commenced at 7.30pm

**Present:** Cllrs: Helen Nixseaman (Chair), George Reynolds, Stephen Barnes, Chris Hall and David Best, Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer. Two members of the public attended the meeting.

22/010	<b>Apologies for Absence:</b> Cllrs Ashley Taylor, Paul Huewen, Sandy Forrester
22/011	<b>Declarations of Interest:</b> None
22/012	<b>Minutes of the last meeting:</b> It was <b>RESOLVED</b> that the minutes of the meeting held on 12 <sup>th</sup> January 2022 were a correct record (unanimous) and signed by the Chairman.
22/013	<b>Matters arising from the minutes:</b> The action list had not been circulated and was not reviewed.
22/014 22/014/1  22/014/2 22/014/3 22/014/4 22/014/5 22/014/5 22/014/6 22/014/7	<p><b>Parish Matters:</b></p> <p><b>Queen's Platinum Jubilee</b> – The first event on 2<sup>nd</sup> June will be the lighting of the beacon at the top of Jesters Hill. This will be held in conjunction with Swalcliffe, Tadmarton and possibly North Newington. It is anticipated that other parishes who join the event will contribute to the cost. It is hoped to provide a cash bar and that the Deddington Brass Band will be able to play. The second event that is planned in a picnic on The Dairyground on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June. It is hoped that a photographer will record the events. A risk assessment will be completed but the insurance company will only need to be notified in advance if it is anticipated that over 1,000 people will be attending. Cherwell District Council has announced that it is going to make grants available.</p> <p><b>Village Clean Up</b> – This will be held on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> April at 11.00am. Goves, hi-viz vests, pickers and bags will be supplied by Cherwell District Council. Volunteers are invited to assist.</p> <p><b>Election</b> – This will be held on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> May. All seven Councillors will be eligible for re-election. More information will be provided by Cherwell District Council at a briefing on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> March.</p> <p><b>Allotments</b> – Repairs will be carried out on the shed that is used for water harvesting as soon as possible. An old shed has been replaced by an allotment holder.</p> <p><b>Mowing</b> – It was agreed that an area of verge along Church Lane and the verges leading to The Rickyard will not be mown until later in the year.</p> <p><b>War Memorial</b> – It was agreed that a group of councillors will clean the war memorial and repaint the names if necessary. A company was used the last time that it was cleaned but it was not considered to be cleaned very well.</p> <p><b>Annual Meeting</b> – this will be held at 7pm on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> May. All residents are invited to attend this meeting.</p> <p><b>Parking in Malthouse Lane/ West Street</b> – vehicles parked near this junction make it difficult and dangerous to turn in and out of Malthouse Lane. Residents are asked to be considerate when parking in this area.</p>
22/015	<b>Finance:</b> The bank statements for February had not been received prior to the meeting. It was agreed that the clerk would circulate the accounts as soon as the bank statements are received.
22/016 22/016/1  22/016/2	<p><b>Correspondence:</b></p> <p><b>Out of Control Dogs</b> – Two residents have complained about out of control dogs off leads. One resident reported an incident with a large out of control dog that was not on a lead which nearly knocked her over and was worrying her dog. Owners are reminded that they should keep their dogs under control and to use leads.</p> <p><b>Dog Mess</b> – Another resident has complained about dog mess. Dog walkers are reminded to use bag and the bins. It was agreed that the Parish Council will pay for the bags around the village.</p>
22/017	<b>Planning</b> - No applications or notifications of decision had been received since the last meeting. <b>Solar Panels</b> - In view of increasing energy costs there may be an increase in the number of residents considering installing solar panels which could adversely affect the character of the village. It was agreed to research this and publish recommendations on what might be acceptable.

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<b>22/018</b>	<b>Any Other Business:</b>
22/018/1	<b>Potholes</b> – A lot have been marked with white paint and will be repaired soon.
22/018/2	<b>Improved Broadband - Cllr George Reynolds</b> has been given some information from a supplier who can provide improved fibre connections, This information will be circulated.
22/018/3	<b>Clerk Pay</b> – The national salary award 2021/22 has been published and it was agreed that the pay of the clerk would be increased to £11.05 per hour from 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2022

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There being no other business, the meeting closed at 9.00pm

Signed by Chairman.....

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