

Shillingford St George Parish Council
Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at the Village Hall,
Shillingford St George on
Monday 9th September 2024 at 7.00pm

Present: Cllr P Wareham (Chair), Cllr J Taylor (Vice-Chair), Cllr P Barwell, Cllr C Dummett, Cllr Kevin Lake (TDC) Maureen Adams (Clerk) and one member of the public.

055/24 Welcome and Apologies for absence

The Chairman welcomed those present. Apologies for absence had been received from Cllr J Parrott and Cllr G Stephens

056/24 Declarations of Interest from Members / Dispensations

None

057/24 Open Forum

For public views on items on this agenda – none.

058/24 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

It was proposed and seconded that the minutes of the meeting held on 27th June 2024 should be signed as a true record, the Chairman signed the minutes.

059/24 Matters Arising

Insurance renewal. The Clerk confirmed that this has been done including cover for the recently purchased solar panel for the Shillingford Abbot speed sign post.

Neighbourhood Plan. Cllrs Parrot and Barwell still intend to meet TDC Planners regarding the framework and costs involved but TDC work on the Local Plan has meant this has been delayed.

059.1 Lower Brenton Planning Application

A document has been received from the Residents Against The Landfill group giving detailed comments on the Applicant's response to the Regulation 25 request for further information which the Parish Council are able to use in their submission to Devon County Council. Councillors agreed this carefully prepared material covers all the relevant areas of concern. Councillors will read and agree a final version to be submitted. The Chairman will send a message of thanks to the authors.

059.2 Standing Orders and New Financial Regulations. The Standing Orders have been reviewed by the Clerk and a recommendation that the figure 3 be added in section 26b was approved. This relates to the number of councillors required to add to, vary or revoke one or more of the Council's Standing Orders (except one that incorporates mandatory or statutory or legal requirements) by written notice to the Proper Officer. Councillors will review the new Financial Regulations and the Clerk will circulate a final version for adoption at the next meeting.

060/24 Reports/updates Cllr Lake/Cllr Parrot, Police

Cllr Lake reported the following:

Lower Brenton Landfill Application - he has submitted his objection and comments to DCC Planning.

Matford Academy – Cllr Lake has been in touch with Mel Stride MP regarding accountability for the structural problems which delayed the school's opening. The school is opening this September using temporary classrooms. The MP is currently involved in a Leadership Election so his response is delayed.

Signs for Shillingford Lane – Cllr Lake is still chasing Highways regarding the costings.

Potholes in Shillingford Abbot – these were previously said to be too small to qualify for repair, Cllr Lake will report them.

Two water leaks in Manstree Road – Cllr Lake will report them to South West Water.

Reports received from the Neighbourhood Policing Team for June, July and August 2024 were noted.

061/24 Parish Matters

061.1 Purchase of a third solar panel has enabled transfer of one of the speed signs to Shillingford Abbot from Shillingford St George

061.2 Hedge cutting Barrack Lane, Shillingford Abbot

A resident had emailed alerting the Parish Council that the overgrown hedges are hazardous. Cllr Lake offered to report this to DCC Highways who will contact the Landowners

062/24 Planning Applications – none

063/24 Planning Applications discussed since last meeting

Extension to existing agricultural building at Dadmouth Cottage, no objection. A Decision Notice was received subsequently advising that prior approval was not required.

064/24 Planning Decisions

23/00884/HOU Grange House, Pengellys Farm,

Grant of Conditional Planning Permission - noted.

065/24 Finance Update & Expenditure for Approval

065.1 Balance of Account £5935.04, noted

065.2 Future payments were approved and payments made since the last meeting were noted.

065.3 Bank Reconciliation Statements June, July and August - approved

065.4 AGAR – Confirmation of exemption from the External Auditors was noted.

- 066/24 Cluster Meeting at Exminster 14th October 2024**
Councillors present will all be attending a Village event that evening, the Chairman will ask those not present if either of them is able to attend with the Clerk.
- 067/24 PC move to .gov.uk domain**
The Clerk reported that the Council is registered with the Parish Council Domains Helper Service and went through a checklist to gain approval from Councillors on various points in order to proceed with obtaining quotes from three Approved Registrars. The chosen Registrar will then set up the .gov.uk domain, emails addresses and the existing website will be moved across.
- 068/24 New Public Resilience Website - gov.uk/prepare.**
Councillors discussed the contents of the website and whether or not a plan should be prepared at a local level. It was decided not to proceed at the moment.
- 069/24 Mobile Boost Scheme**
Cllr Alan Connett DCC had been in touch to say that this scheme had re-opened. It was agreed to publicise it on the Notice Boards and in the Country News.
- 070/24 DALC AGM Wednesday 2nd October 2024 – noted.**
- 071/24 Clerk’s Correspondence - none**
- 072/24 Public Discussion –** There was a short discussion regarding the settings on the Speed sign in Shillingford Abbot.
- 073/24 Chairman’s Remarks**
The Chairman thanked those present and closed the meeting at 8.52pm
- 074/24 Date of Next Meeting – 11th November 2024**

_____Chair _____Date