

Shenington with Alkerton Parish Council
Minutes of meeting held in the Village Hall on Tuesday 19th July 2023

The meeting commenced at 7.30pm

Present – Cllrs Robin Oliver, Shaughn O'Brien, James Hartley, and David Best, Parish Clerk. One member of the public attended the meeting.

23/110	Apologies for absence: Cllrs Peter Barrett, Simon Porter & Jayne Miller District Cllr Douglas Webb, County Cllr G Reynolds
23/111	Declarations of Interest: None
23/112	Acceptance of minutes: It was RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 7 th June were a correct record and signed the Chairman.
23/113 23/113/1 23/113/2 23/113/3 23/113/4	Open Forum: Vegetation growing over road in Alkerton – Vegetation is growing over the wall from the Old School House and the house opposite which is forcing cars into the middle of the road. It was agreed that Cllr Robin Oliver would ask the owners to cut it back. Tree in Stocking Lane donated by Oxfordshire County Council – This has died and the owner of the house nearest the tree has agreed to remove it. Defibrillator – This has been reported as no longer working. It was agreed that the clerk would contact Lyn Gosney who monitors it. Free trees and hedging from the Woodland Trust – Cllr James Hartley agreed to put an email out to see if anyone is interested in this offer.
23/114	District and County Councillor Reports: None
23/115	Councillor Report: Village Maintenance and Improvement: No update
23/116 23/116/1 23/116/2	Councillor Report: Transport, Traffic and Roads Gates at entrance to villages – A vote of thanks was given to Peter Barrett for organising and co-ordinating this. 20 mph speed limit. – It was agreed that the 20mph speed limit application should be submitted for Shenington and Alkerton.
23/117 23/117/1	Councillor Report: Planning, Legal & Finance: Village Hall – There has been a meeting about the future of the village hall, but the outcome was not known. Cllr Robin Oliver is seeking a legal opinion from Roger Taylor a solicitor who specialises in Parish Councils.
23/118 23/118/1	Councillor Report: Emergency Plan, Crime Prevention & Environment: Emergency Plan – Redrafting is ongoing.
23/119	Councillor Report: Internet & Social Media: No update
23/120	Planning Applications: None since last meeting
23/121 23/121/1	Planning Decisions: Motorcross track in Hornton – This was refused by CDC at the planning committee.
23/122 23/122/1	Financial/Administration: Bank Balances – The bank balances were £19,358.91 on 30 th June 2023 (£12,070.52 in current account and £7,288.39 in deposit account).
23/123	Second Open Forum: No items discussed.

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23/124	Passing of accounts for payment: The following were approved for payment: £300.00 – Toppers disco 205.20 – N R Prickett Verge mowing £54.00 – Village Hall room hire £93.60 – G Marshall/ Wix for website hosting £44.80 - HMRC – PAYE for June £179.40 – D Best – Pay for June
23/127 23/127/1 23/127/2	Any Other Business: Ragwort - A villager had reported ragwort growing on the Village Green. This was pulled up by a councillor after the meeting. Bird Droppings on the benches – All the benches are under trees and have bird droppings on them. It was suggested that volunteers be sought to clean them.
23/128	Closure of the meeting: The meeting ended at 8.01pm

The date of the next Parish Council Meeting is Wednesday 20 September 2023 at 7.30pm at the Village Hall.

Signed by Chairman.....

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