

**DRAFT MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING OF SHENINGTON WITH
ALKERTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL, SHENINGTON
ON WEDNESDAY, 12TH SEPTEMBER 2018 AT 7.30PM**

PRESENT: COUNCILLORS: G. SMITH (CHAIRMAN), D. BRUMMELL, L. GOSNEY, G. MARSHALL, J. WOODCOCK AND COUNTY/DISTRICT CLLR. G. REYNOLDS
2 residents.

1. Apologies for absence

Councillor Porter (business commitment) and District Cllr. Webb.

2. Declarations of Interest

Councillor Brummell declared personal interests in items 6(a)(i), (ii), 8(f), 9(b), 10(b) and 10(e) as a family member is the landowner and 6(b)(ii) as a village hall trustee. Cllr. Marshall declared personal interests in item 8(e) and 9(a) as a nearby landowner. Cllr. Gosney declared pecuniary interests in item 8(a), 8(b), 8(c) and 10(d) as a nearby landowner.

3. Open forum

A resident asked about the planting of trees on the village green. The Chairman explained that the Horse Chestnut Tree is diseased. It is an emblem of the school the Parish Council thought it would be good to plant a replacement tree before there is a need to fell this tree.

4. Acceptance of the minutes of the previous meeting (June)

The minutes had been circulated prior to the meeting. Councillor Brummell proposed the minutes be accepted, seconded and agreed unanimously. The minutes were signed by the Chairman.

5. Matters arising from the minutes of the previous meetings:

(a) The Bell Inn; resubmitted

6. Councillor's Reports

(a) Outside Organisations

(i) Gliding Club update

No new report.

(ii) Karting Club; update

Councillors agreed that a meeting should take place with the Karting Club. It was agreed that the Chairman and Cllr. Woodcock would attend this meeting.

ACTION: The Clerk to forward details of the Karting Club contact to the Chairman.

(b) Communication

(i) School update

School is still asking parents to drive slowly through the village.

(ii) Village Hall Trustees update

No new report.

(c) Highways

(i) Traffic Calming; update

The Clerk was asked to enquire as to whether we could loan the speeding device. We have insufficient volunteers at the moment to justify purchasing a device.

ACTION: The Clerk to find out if this is possible and the cost implications.

(ii) Mill Lane and Stocking Lane pot holes update plus road outside Karting Club

Councillors reported that some pot holes have been fixed but not all. The Chairman asked councillors to continue reporting via fix my street.

(d) Countryside

ACTION: The Clerk to place a note on the website telling residents about the litter pickers they may borrow.

(i) To consider planting trees on the Green

Councillors said that there appears to be a considerable amount of confusion about this. The initial reason for considering a tree or trees was because the Horse Chestnut Tree is diseased. Councillors believed that a second Horse Chestnut Tree should be planted soon to enable it to become established before there is a need for the existing tree to be felled. Councillors agreed that, in view of the concerns expressed by some residents, they would reconsider whether to replace this tree when the need arises.

(e) Assets

(i) Village green kerbing

Cllr. Brummell reported that he has received a quote of £300 from a local contractor. Councillors agreed to accept this quote. This contractor has carried out work for the Parish Council before and is working locally and will carry out the work as soon as he is able. It will be difficult to obtain other quotes as the job is quite small.

ACTION: Cllr. Brummell to instruct the contractor

(f) Emergency Planning

Cllr. Brummell reported that there are emergency packs available for residents. It was agreed that we should find out what is contained in the packs before informing residents.

ACTION: The Clerk to request information regarding the packs.

(i) Grit update

ACTION: The Clerk to ask the County Council to replenish our supply.

7. District and County Councillor Reports

(a) To receive reports

District/County Cllr. Reynolds reported that the County Council are very keen on emergency plans at the moment. The District Council is losing the link with Northants District. Local Plan Part 2 might be delayed. The County Council is being reorganised which could result in some redundancies.

8. To consider planning applications

Cllr. Gosney did not take part in items (a), (b) or (c).

(a) 18/01115/LB - land north west of Fabis House, Rattlecombe Road

(b) 18/01114/F - land north west of Fabis House, Rattlecombe Road

(c) 18/01098/F - land north west of Fabis House, Rattlecombe Road

The three applications were discussed together. Cllr. Reynolds explained that the planning officer has written his report recommending approval. This

will be considered at a planning committee meeting shortly. Concern was expressed since the deadline for responses has not been reached yet. Cllr. Reynolds said that the enforcement officer had visited the site following concerns regarding work being carried out without permission. Councillors agreed to object to these applications as the application seeks to remove existing features of a listed building on the front elevation and create an obscured window. Councillors believe that this will have a detrimental effect on the listed building and conservation area setting. Councillors asked the Clerk to respond to the planning officer. She was also asked to write to the Chief Executive or Head of Planning expressing concerns regarding the writing of a report before the deadline has expired and the reasoning behind the conservation officer's report.

ACTION: The Clerk to draft a letter with Cllr. Brummell and forward to the District Council.

- (d) 18/00212/TCA - Honeysuckle Cottage, The Green
Councillors raised no issues or objections.
- (e) 18/00198/TCA - The Bay, Kenhill Road
No issues or objections.
- (f) 18/01171/Q56 - Alkerton Barn Farm
No issues or objections.

9. To receive results of planning applications

- (a) 18/00198/TCA - The Bay, Kenhill Road; no objections.
- (b) 18/01171/Q56 - Alkerton Barn Farm; granted

10. Correspondence

- (a) OALC update (August)
Circulated.
- (b) Karting Traffic
The Chairman and Cllr. Woodcock agreed to discuss this when they meet with the Karting Club.
- (c) Trees on the green
The Clerk was asked to respond to the 2 residents who have expressed concern.
- (d) land north west of Fabis House
This email was circulated to councillors and has been covered in items 8(a), (b) and (c).
- (e) land at the Surgery, Stocking Lane
The enforcement officer has been notified.

11. Financial/Administration Report

- (a) Bank balances
The Clerk confirmed the following balances:
Community Account - £8,768.40
Business Account - £7,229.15
- (b) Bank reconciliation
Bank reconciliation had been circulated to councillors prior to the meeting and is attached to these minutes.
- (c) Bank mandate form
The Clerk confirmed that Cllr. Porter is now a signatory on the account.

- (d) Councillor vacancy
It was agreed that Cllr. Porter should be asked to speak to a prospective councillor.
ACTION: Cllr. Porter to speak to a resident who expressed interest at the time of the election

12. Second open forum

No questions.

13. Passing of any accounts for payment

The following accounts were proposed by Councillor Brummell, seconded by the Chairman and carried unanimously.

- (a) Mrs. C. Hill - Clerk's fee (July/Aug) - £530.52
- (b) HM Revenue & Customs (PAYE) - £132.60
- (c) Cherwell District Council - election charges - £39.00
- (d) SWAVHCT - hire of hall - £30.00

14. Closure of meeting

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, 10th October.
The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.15pm.