

Shenington with Alkerton Parish Council Meeting
Wednesday 17th April at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

The meeting commenced at 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs S Porter, G Smith, L Gosney, J Woodcock, and David Best, Parish Clerk.

Apologies for absence: Cllr D Brummell and G Marshall

	Declarations of Interest: None.
	Open Forum: Drone Flying – From 13 th March 2019 the restrictions on flying drones near airfields changed and the UK Civil Aviation Authority introduced a new Drone Code. Section 6 of the code states “Stay well away from aircraft, airports and airfields when flying any drone. It is illegal to fly drones within an airport’s flight restriction zone without permission. If your drone endangers the safety of an aircraft it is a criminal offence and you could go to prison for five years”. Section 4 of the code states “Keep the right distance from people and properties (50m/150ft from people and properties and 150m/500ft from crowds)”. A copy of the code is published on the village website.
	Acceptance of minutes: It was RESOLVED that the minutes of the meetings held on 13 th March were a correct record (unanimous) and signed by the Chairman.
	Councillor’s Reports: Outside Organisations: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Gliding Club – Drones are flown around the village and anyone flying a drone should observe the new Drone Code especially with regard to aircraft and airfields. 2. Karting Club – Cllrs G Smith and J Woodcock will visit the club in May to find out plans for the year and the calendar of events. Communication: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. School – No new report. 2. Village Hall Trustees – No new report. Highways - It is believed that the pot holes on The Green and Stocking Lane which were reported on Fix My Street, have been repaired. Countryside – No new update. Assets: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Defibrillator – The difficulties that Cllr Gosney was having logging in to the system and updating it have been resolved. Emergency Planning – No new report.
	District and County Councillor Reports: None
	Planning Applications: 19/00392/LB – The Nook, replacement of stairs and casement windows. Returned to Cherwell District Council without objections. 19/00425/F & 19/00426/LB – Lanes End, rear extension. Returned to Cherwell District Council without objections.
	Financial/Administration: Bank Balances – The bank balances at 29 th March were £7,629.89 in the Community Account and £7239.97 in the Business premium Account. Draft Accounts & Internal Audit – The Internal Audit of the Draft Accounts is in progress. External Audit – The parish qualifies for exemption from External Audit as the higher of income or expenditure for the year ended 31 st March 2019 was lower than £25,000. It was RESOLVED to claim exemption (unanimous).
	Second Open Forum: Barn Dance – It was reported that there will almost certainly not be a Barn Dance this year Separate Committees – It was noted that separate committees exist for different village functions and that there may be a benefit to having one social committee.

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	Passing of accounts for payment: Payment of the clerk's fee for April and the hire of the Village Hall for January to March were approved (proposed by Cllr Smith, seconded Cllr Porter). Cheques could not be raised as the cheque book is with the Internal Auditor.
	Closure of the meeting: The meeting ended at 8.40pm

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday 15th May at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

Signed by Chairman.....

Date.....

Minutes are marked as draft until the Parish Council agrees that they are a correct record at the next meeting.

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