

Shipton Parish Council

Minutes of Parish Council meeting 18th November 2015

		Action
1	Members of the public forum none	
2.	Apologies –all present. 7 parishioners plus Robin Hughes Cotswold District Councillor and Paul Hodgkinson County Councillor	
3	Paul Hodgkinson advised the parish council that there will be 30% cut to all funding for the County Council which means that cuts are inevitable to all services including roads, libraries, infrastructure. Devolution will mean that power for decision making will be passed from Central Government to County and District Councils. Awaiting more info. The A436 road to Bourton on the Water Will have white lines painted within 6 months. Pot holes should be reported to the pot hole hotline but persistent problems can be reported directly to Paul Hodgkinson too. Broadband rollout has problems in Shipton with some address being missed off the BT database. It was agreed to send individual addresses to Paul Hodgkinson. Robin Hughes - Several District councils are working together towards a 2020 vision. Any planning problems should be reported to Robin Hughes so he is aware of local issues.	
4	Agree last minutes 26th August. – these were agreed and signed	
5	Actions from last meeting More dog waste bags needed at Sports field No further action on the Sport and Social bank account Horticultural Society – the person who runs this is now leaving the village and a replacement is hopefully going to take her place. 2 village signs are now smaller – thanks should be sent to Bob Skillern at Glos Highways The stone wall at the Sollers Manor has now been repaired Tree at Manor has now been felled Photo of Council and bios are now on the website. Single photos can be sent to Susan Livesey. Road name signs- it was agreed that these are a good idea to aid emergency services and delivery drivers. Clerk to follow up with CDC. It was agreed that the Parish Council are able to make a decision on this issue. Another grit bin is needed for Hampen. Clerk to order and delivery to Clive Handy.	Clerk to write to BSkillern Clerk to order
6	Declaration of Interests Emma Locke declared she lives adjoining Birchwood.	
7	Planning Birchwood- Julia Van Gils commented about the length of time this application has been running. There have been a lot of amendments which have gradually increased the size of the property. It appears that standard paragraphs included in the permit statement are being disregarded. Robin Hughes advised that if a planning application goes to the planning committee the Parish Council will need to send a representative and a resident objector. It was agreed to send objection based on the fact that no plans for the basement have been shown, the building should be of similar size and scale of the current building. Concerns were also raised about the party wall act and whether the basement has been reinforced as the paddock next door may collapse into it. There is a duty to notify new ours of works. It was agreed to pass on information on party boundaries to the neighbours.	Info to be passed on
8	Parish Plan update Everyone commented on the professional displays in the Reading Room and thanks was given to Emma Locke for preparing them. The next stage is to look at the comments from the posters and revise the Parish Plan. It was noted that Parish Councillors are able to comment as residents.	

8	<p>Finance Payments were approved – clerk pay Transparency code – it was agreed that all responsibilities are shared. It was noted that a volunteer rate when required is £12.50 per hour.</p>	
10	<p>Highways The speed gun program has been on hold as speed surveys have taken place recently. The results showed that 1 in 6 exceed the speed limit driving through the village. It was noted that there was not much demand for any more action regarding speed in the village. Although there was not much objection to 20mph limit it was deemed too expensive to install 20mph signs. Paul Offered to speak to Andoversford Post Office about being a collection point for Amazon to help reduce traffic through the village. Community Transport was discussed. Binna advised that this already happens informally and it would be difficult to co ordinate formally. Lynn offered to find out more information about the North Cotswold area.</p>	<p>PM to talk to PO Lynn to get info</p>
11	<p>Newsletter It was agreed that a newsletter is not needed at this time. Emma will organise a newsletter when needed. Susan Livesey will email the Parish list and ask everyone to like the village Facebook page</p>	<p>SL to email parish</p>
12	<p>Date for next meeting - Wednesday 17th February. There will be an informal meeting before this date to discuss the parish plan poster comments.</p>	