

Shireoaks Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 14th October 2025

Present:

Chair: Cllr Hauxwell (chair)

Councillors: R Hewson, C Dixon, and G Robinson

District Cllr – none

County Cllr – none

Clerk: S MacDonald (clerk)

There were 1 member of the public present.

Peter Stanley attended the meeting to give the following updates.

- 1) The trees in the churchyard are being pollarded again this year, and work has just commenced.
- 2) An application has gone to Bassetlaw for Solar Panels. This will save the Village Hall electricity costs. They had secured funding from National Lottery.
- 3) Unfortunately, rental rates will have to be raised next year due to rising utility costs and details will follow shortly.

102/25 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from: District Cllr D Pressley, Cllr Ayton, Cllr Blagg, Cllr Potts, and Cllr Fielding

Absence without apologies being received: none.

103/25 Declaration of Interest and to identify any agenda items from which the press and public should be excluded due to the confidential nature of the business.

None were declared.

104/25 To approve the minutes of the meetings held on 9th September 2025

The Minutes of the Meeting held on the above date, copies of which had been circulated previously to members, were confirmed as a true record.

Proposed by Cllr Dixon and seconded by Cllr Robinson and signed by the Chair.

105/25 Matters Arising

- a) Village Tidy Up
 - Posts missing at Marina Village Sign

This job is now completed and can be removed from the agenda.
- b) Fireworks update

Cllr Blagg did not attend the meeting but will be contacted, along with the Sports & Social Club for the H&S paperwork needed for the insurance company.
- c) Church Clock Update

Peter Stanley says the work on the circuit board can now go ahead and this will be arranged so that Smith Derby can come back to repair the clock.
- d) Website/gov/Uk/new email addresses

New email addresses have been received and will be distributed ASAP. All councillors can log on and change their password, then send an email to the clerk as a test.
- e) New Clerk

4 applications have been received to date. An interview date will need to be agreed on the return of Cllr Ayton and a venue secured.

f) Friends of Woodland – Sculpture Update

A quote has now been agreed, and paperwork is being signed. The money will be paid in stages, and it was agreed that the monies be requested from Bassetlaw District Council from CIL money.

106/25 New Business

a) Newsletter content

This was discussed and agreed to be sent to the editor for the next edition deadline.

b) Newsletter Grant

There is a provision in the budget for £2k. It was proposed to give this amount by Cllr Hewson and seconded by Cllr Robinson. It was also discussed to raise next year's grant to £2500.

b) Confirm arrangements for Poppy Appeal Wreath/Lamppost poppies/Tommy signs.

Tommy poppy signs have been purchased to supplement the Lamppost poppies and will be put up this year. A quote will be asked for in order for this to happen ASAP. Also, it would be a good idea to store these afterwards in the new container on the shelves. This way an inventory can be taken each year and not left until they are needed again and it's too late.

c) Smell of Drains on Shireoaks Common

This has been reported by many residents on Shireoaks Common. Severn Trent did attend. - See Cllr Pressley reply below.

d) Cartright Street access

Due to the popularity of the local Post Office/Shop it is becoming increasingly difficult to get in or out of the junction at peak times. Car owners seem to miss the fact that this is a street and park over the top of the road whilst going into the shop. This will be mentioned to highways, PCSO and Cllr Bert Bingham. This also applies to Glenthorne Close when cars are attending the chip shop/hairdressers.

107/25 Planning

a) New applications

25/00959/FUL – Installation of 30 solar panels and associated infrastructure – The Meal Work Company, Village Hall

It was agreed to send a letter of support for this application.

b) Decisions and Awaiting Decisions

23/01399/FUL – proposed construction of a ground mounted solar photovoltaic Farm – Land N and NE of Steetley

24/00646/CDM County Matter Application for the Proposed Development of a Plastic Chemical Recycling Facility and Energy Recovery Facility with Integrated Materials Recovery Area, along with Associated Development Including Car Parking, Boundary Treatment and Fencing, hard and Soft Landscaping and Ecological Enhancement – Former Notts Recycling centre, Shireoaks Road S80 3HA-
Bassetlaw District Council raised objections

108/25 Reports from County/District Councillors

District Cllr Pressley was not at the meeting and reported as follows.

I have contacted Severn Trent about the smells in Shireoaks, and I received a reply on Wednesday that the problem was a private Sewerage Pumping Station the Developer attended and cleared the issues.

Severn Trent will be attending to check the issue is resolved and also to check the other private sites that everything is running smoothly.

Please let me know of any further problems and I will contact Severn Trent.

The Local Government Review is proceeding and the Consultation with the public has concluded, and the results are being discussed before the District Council meets in November to discuss the next steps forward.

The District Council has been awarded £20 Million from the Government over the next 10 years for improvements in Worksop I will keep the Parish Council updated on this issue.

County Cllr Bingham did not attend the meeting and sent in a report:

I am working with the Bassetlaw Flood Partnership where Nottinghamshire County Council are the Lead Local Flood Authority. Upstream work from Shireoaks should have commenced on a Natural Flood Management Scheme.

Downstream works on the sluice gates at the Canch is in hand although still at design stage. Watercourse vegetation has just been cleared at the same location.

Highways: the traffic survey equipment was relocated further towards the school during September. Reference parking on the row it is suggested that the church puts signs up on the wall. My Councillor Fund may be of use here. NCC has just launched the Local Communities Fund this week. I can endorse relevant projects up to £20K contribution. See capital grant fund on website.

I have met with the Chesterfield Canal Trust and will be looking to support them in the Division.

109/25 Finance

a) Balance/Payments and Receipts

See report attached.

110/25 Emergency Measures

a) Flooding – New Container

The new container arrived safely on Friday, and all stock was transferred into it by the flood wardens. Cllr Hauxwell will have new keys cut and distributed.

The flood wardens are to produce an inventory for each container (marked 1 and 2) so that stock control can be managed.

As there are now full-size containers it was discussed that other PC assets could be stored here so that they are all in 1 space. ie poppies, beacon lighting tool etc.

It was asked if a quote could be sought for tarmac along the front of the 2 new containers to finish off to the carpark. Also, brambles around them need to be weed sprayed on a regular basis.

111/25 Correspondence

a) Emails from public

There were no emails to report.

112/25 Police report

There was no police presence this month and no reports had been sent.

113/25 Members reports and exchange of information on matters of concern.

It was asked if the salt bin we have spare, can be located at the top of Sorrell Drive, on the grass outside. Sorrell Drive is on a slope and grit may be useful to the residents. Permission will be asked of Via.

Cllr Hauxwell asked to source a pallet for inside the container. Grit bags can then stand on it so as not be on the floor.

There is a bush at the end of Sorrell Drive blocking visibility and SWH Ltd will be reminded to cut this.

It was reported that the 2 drains on Spring Lane have been cleared but still when it rained there was a pool of water over the road.

A pothole has been filled on the track leading to the Cricket Club. It was feared that as it was just loose aggregate filling it, this may wash out in heavy rain and end up in the drains.

Meeting ended at 20:15pm

Date of next meeting 11th November 2025

Balanced to statements as at		25/09/2025
	Nat West Current	33,581.34
	Nat West Reserve	5,942.82
		39,524.16
Payments received since last meeting (inc in above)		
	interest on deposit	4.95
	BBQ (fireworks)	60.00
	Flashy light man (freworks)	100.00
	madame crepe - fireworks	50.00
	Precerpt	15,950.00
		16,164.95
The following Cheques are still unrepresented		
	2324 get loos	228.00
	2326 PKF Littlejohn	378.00
		606.00
The following are to pay this meeting		
	2329 BDC - bins for fireworks	228.10
	2332 SWH Ltd - contract	560.00
	SWH Ltd - litter	370.00
	SWH Ltd - misc jobs	350.00
	2334 S MacDonald - wages oct	344.50
	S MacDonald - expenses	79.80
	2330 HMRC	123.24
	2333 M Pressley - water plants	350.00
	2335 Tommy Poppy signs	122.98
		2,528.62
	This months cheques	3,134.62
	Total of all outstanding cheques	
After the above movements the balances will be:		
	Nat West Current	30,446.72
	Nat West Reserve	5,942.82
		36,389.54
TOTAL FUNDS HELD		
	of which the Firework balance is	1,449.34
	set apart for Tree Pollarding	6,960.00
		27,980.20
Remaining Parish Council funds		