**DRAFT**SHOTESHAM PARISH COUNCIL.

Minutes are considered as ‘draft’ until approved at the next PC meeting.

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Minutes of the meeting of Shotesham Parish Council held in the Trinity on Tuesday 3rd of October at 7.30pm.

 Jeff Gough, The Clerk

**Minutes**

1. **Attendance**

H Jackson, J Nott, H Walker, S Dinsdale and J Webber. Apologies were received from M and K Dyke and CC A Thomas. Also in attendance was DC John Cook ,P Grant and Gerald.

1. **The minutes** of the parish council meeting of 1st of August were approved and duly signed by the Chairman.
2. Update on agreed activities…

**Footpaths.** 5 new signposts have been installed. It is expected that the whole network will have been signed by the end of October.

There has been no news of FP21 in respect of the ‘formal/legal’ re-routing of the footpath.

**War memorial.** A very successful ‘work’ session has resulted in a refreshed stone work of the memorial and the earlier de-weeding the gravel. The poppies on the crosses will be replaced before Remembrance Day on the 12th of November.

 The **‘Welcome’/picnic** to old and new friends at Grove Farm was a success.

 The new **village information ‘booklet’** will be finished before the next meeting

1. **Financial update**…. It was noted that the parish council was one of the winners of a £200 prize draw re litter-picking. The £200 plus £20, for taking part, was added to the account.
2. **Planning permission**

a).2023/2310 land off Mill Lane.

The proposal raised no concerns with the meeting. It was **Approved**

b).2023/2891 off Grubb St.

The proposal raised no concerns with the meeting. It was **Approved ###Subject to review##**

1. **Warm Welcome**. A preliminary meeting was held. There was unanimous agreement to restart the weekly meetings at The Trinity. The first meeting will be held on the 26th of October. Everyone present was asked to share the information with friends/neighbours.
2. The **new bus timetable** is causing serious concerns. The parish council agreed to gather together the concerns and ask the bus company to reconsider its schedule …….even if it is ‘school-time’ only.
3. **Speed Warning** …It is a feature that is beneficial to Shotesham. It currently needs improved batteries. The councillors coordinating its placement etc were asked to review the best solution for their provision.
4. **Narrowing of the pavement** …particularly along The Street.

Improvements have resulted from a request in Contact. The meeting requested that the Rangers/Highways are approach to help determine the actual width of the pavement where they narrow. This will help the safe passage of the school pupils. Especially in the darker mornings/evenings.

1. **Urgent** matters arising after publication of the agenda.

**Remembrance Day.** All councillors agree to fulfil their usual duties on the day.

**Defibrillator**. It was confirmed that replacement pads would be ordered**.**

A number of years ago a meeting was held to explain how the defibrillator works as well as a ‘hands-on’ session re resuscitation. It is thought this will be welcomed by the village.

**‘Recycling’** was raised DC John Cook. A very positive discussion followed. The outcome was to agree to explore the possibility of holding an open village meeting to update residents on the ‘best’ way to recycle domestic rubbish.

Date of next meeting will be on 5th of December.

* A key issue will be the setting of the precept for 2024/25.

**J K Gough, The Clerk.**