**SHOTESHAM PARISH COUNCIL.**

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Minutes of the meeting of Shotesham Parish Council held at the Trinity at 7.30 pm on 12th of July 2018.

1. Apologies received and accepted from J Nott, DC F Ellis and CC A Thomas.

2. The minutes of the 7th of June were accepted and signed.

3. Shotesham Conservation Area Review

The Chairman welcomed Mr Beckett and invited him to outline the present position. The following points were made ….

* The open meeting for parishioners was very successful. The response from the village was ‘tremendous’ with very many people attending.
* He will will look again at the 2 areas excluded from the latest plan. They are the fields that link Shotesham Hall and Hawes Green and the ‘village playing fields’. There was great support for both areas to be within the Conservation Area.
* Villagers had been recommended to make their views known through the website or the ‘comments’ box that will be with the display in All Saints Church.

The Parish Council was very much in support of the inclusion of the playing field. Thought would also be given to the conservation of the wooded area on its roadside boundary.

The Chairman and the Clerk agreed to help set up the display in All Saint’s on Friday morning.

4. Planning Application

* Appletrees 2018/1470

Mr James Millson, the owner of Appletrees, was invited to present his plans. Members questioned him and received clear and helpful responses.

**The members supported the application**

**5. Parish matters**

* **Litter Pick Prize Winner.** Members asked ‘the village’ for ideas on how to spend the prize or for someone to come forward with a ‘good and beneficial’ idea they would like to initiate. One response has been received from the Conservation team to use the funds to hire a large ‘shredder’ to provide material to use across the parish to improve footpaths prone to being ‘muddy and boggy’.

**The submission was accepted and welcomed by members.**

The Clerk will contact the SVA to facilitate the link between SNDC and the SVA to allow the ‘prize’ to be received.

* **Trod path**. The Chairman and the Clerk reported back on their meeting with Mr Overland of Highways. A thorough appraisal of a path from Hollow Lane to Flint Cottage and from the Grove to the start of Market Lane. Both areas were walked. Both have inherent problems which make them impractical.
* **The children’s playing area**. If no progress has been made with the Mercers, the Chairman and the Clerk are authorised to write formally on behalf of the parish council to the Head of The Mercers who deals with The Trinity. They were asked to express their parish council members concern that such a long time has passed without formal acknowledgement.
* **Playing Field**. The cleared area is now covered with full grown nettles and Jon Nott has agreed to make another ‘chain-strim’. The Chairman and the member coordinating activity re the playing field, Kim Dyke, will meet and plan the way forward.
* **Tree Conservation**

The clerk was asked to contact the Tree Warden Raz Wollacott to seek his view as to whether the major oaks/trees within the wooded area of the playing field bordering the road should be protected. If this is agreed then steps would be taken to move things forward.

**The next meeting will be at 7.30pm at the Trinity on the 6th of September.**

J K Gough,

The Clerk,

Shotesham Parish Council