

SHOTESHAM PARISH COUNCIL to be approved at next meeting
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Minutes of the meeting of Shotesham Parish Council held at the Trinity Hall at 7.30pm on Thursday 3rd of December 2015

In attendance were ...,

H Jackson, M Dyke, M Riches, H Walker, S Dinsdale, J Guy and K Dyke

1. Apologies

Apologies received and accepted from J Nott and CC A Thomas.

2. The minutes of the 5th of November were agreed and signed.

3. Budget/Precept.

The budget/spend for 2014/15 and the budget/current spend for the 2015/6 was presented and discussed.

The following points were agreed.....

- The basic regular expenditure was approximately £5000 and this should continue.
- An extra £1000 would be added and be the maximum to be spent on upgrading equipment, new items and refurbishing assets.
- The budget would be set at £6000 the same level as in 2015/16.
- If a grant is available in 2016/7 then the Precept would be the equivalent of the budget reduced by the amount of the grant.

This was unanimously agreed by members.

4. Planning Determinations.

Naidens 2015/2613

M Riches [as would any applicant who was present at the meeting] explained why he was seeking approval to amend already agreed plans.

At the end of members questioning M Riches withdrew from the meeting [and the room].

The Planning Application 2015/2613 was **accepted**

The following points were made.

- The changes did not affect the street scene.
- The footprint was smaller than that previously agreed.
- The change in the roof orientation reduces the 'mass' of the building and is seen as an improvement.
- All materials, colours and workmanship will remain unchanged.

M Riches was invited in and rejoined the meeting.

5. Glen View.

The Chairman and all members expressed their 'bewilderment' at the enforcement officers email response to his visit to see whether there had been a contravention of the planning restriction in violation to the Section 106 agreement.

The bewilderment of the Parish Council was how the officer could say current strip was unchanged. The meeting requested that the Chairman and The Clerk do not let the matter rest.

They requested the following points be used to draft a letter to the Head of Planning and the Chairman of the Planning Committee.

- The gravelled area can be clearly seen from the road and is many metres wide. Villagers have reported it extending once the building work was completed on the 'office'.
- The original photograph shows a gravel strip to the original greenhouse about 1 metre wide.
- The question was asked...When an enforcement officer visits is a report written to support the decisions made.
- The PC would wish to see such a report. If not available a 'Freedom of Information' request for access to all such reports relating to Glenview should be made.
- Does the Enforcement Officer set clear datum points/take photographs/make measurements etc in such contentious issues to allow him/her to consult thus having absolute surety whether any 'boundary' has moved...or e.g. colour/material has changed.
- To offer the enforcement officer an opportunity to meet the members at the start of their next meeting to explain the role and modus-operandi.
- To acquire a copy of SNDC 'rules and regulations' under which the enforcement officer operates.

6. Updates.

The Trinity

- The Chairman outlined the present position at the Trinity. After some discussion it was agreed that a very informal monitoring role of its usage would continue to be appropriate.

SAM2.

- Henry updated the meeting. All forms have been completed and submitted. The order has been placed. We await news of the machines arrival and its installation.

Footpaths

- The usual concerns have been expressed in respect of freshly ploughed fields and the passage across them. J Guy advised we wait awhile to allow things to settle. This was endorsed by the members.
- It is hoped that the 6 finger posts can be installed as soon as possible

Working with neighbouring similar sized parish councils.

- Agreed in principle. To be discussed in more detail at the next meeting.

The Chairman asked that members consider what might be thought of as '**Village Assets**'.

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The meeting closed.

The next meeting is a 'planning' meeting due on the 7th January at 7.30pm at the Trinity.