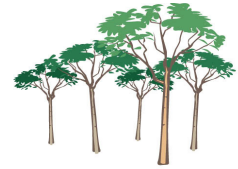


SHENLEY BROOK END & TATTENHOE PARISH COUNCIL

6 Wimborne Crescent
Westcroft District Centre
Milton Keynes
MK4 4DE



**Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held at the Parish Office,
6 Wimborne Crescent, Westcroft, on Monday 24th March 2014.**

<p>1. Members Present: Cllr M Cato – Vice Chairman Cllr D Edmonds Cllr M Geaney Cllr M Chapman Cllr K Geaney Cllr N Vidamour Cllr S Moore Cllr C Williams Cllr R Verman Cllr D Livingstone</p> <p>Mrs S Kerr (minute taker) One member of the public</p> <p>2. Apologies: Apologies received from: Cllr K Thomas Cllr C Osler Cllr J Nicholas – Chairman Cllr M Mitchell-Doyle Cllr D Sanders</p> <p>3. Declarations of interest There were no declarations of interest.</p> <p>4. Public time Mrs Carol Baume introduced herself to the council and explained that she was running as the labour ward councillor for Tattenhoe in the upcoming local elections. She was attending the meeting to observe and take the opportunity to introduce herself.</p> <p>5. Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 24th February 2014 The minutes of the meeting held on the 24th February, having already been circulated, were approved as a correct record and signed by the Vice Chairman.</p>	
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Matters Arising:

There were no matters arising

6. Reports:

Police Report:

Due to a mix up on meeting dates there was no officer available to attend the meeting. A report and crime figures were sent with their apologies. The council expressed their disappointment at an officer not being present and Cllr. Cato requested that a list of meeting dates are to be forwarded on to the office to avoid this happening again in the future.

Cllr. Livingstone also enquired as to whether a meeting with the TVP had been arranged, Cllr. Cato informed the council that a meeting was to take place with TVP and SCE parish council and that both himself and Cllr. Nicholas would be attending and it will be reported back at the next meeting.

Clerk: There was no Clerks report due to the Clerk being on sick leave.

Chairman: The Chairman's report had been previously circulated to Members. In the absence of the chairman, Cllr Cato informed the council that as stated in the report, first interviews for the trainee warden position had now taken place and final interviews were to be conducted by the Chair & Vice chair towards the end of the week, and that the pond work at Shenley Brook End was almost complete.

Ward Councillors:

Ward Councillor Williams: Reported that

- Following an attempted break-in at the newsagents on Faraday Drive, Shenley Lodge, the manager had approached Cllr. Williams for assistance in making the premises more secure. Plans were submitted & planning permission has now being granted.
- The National Bowl regeneration project has reported that 500 jobs were to be created over the next few months.
- Sal Thirlway Head of Childrens Education at MKC has announced the possible merging of the Sunshine Childrens Centre with other centres in the MK area. As this is a cost cutting exercise Cllr. Williams expressed his objection as he feels that different areas have different needs and feels that the merger will not be effective.

Planning & Environment Committee: Cllr Verman asked if there were any questions arising from the previous minutes, to which there were none. Cllr. Verman updated members that the notice board in Shenley Lodge has now been installed.

Cllr Verman also informed members that an email had been received from Richard Davis informing the council that the final corrections to the rugby post were to be carried out last Friday, Tony Jeffs inspected the post earlier today and confirmed that the work had been done.

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JN/MC

Community Committee: Cllr M Geaney updated Members that following the advertisement in the community News for the Diamond Club they now have a core of 25 + members. One applicant has applied for the position advertised to run the club and that they would be interviewed shortly. Cllr M Geaney also asked the councillors to continue lending their support. Cllr. Edmonds thanked Cllr. M Geaney for all her hard work in starting the club.

Policy and Finance Committee: There had been no further meetings.

7. Meeting Updates

The Parks Trust: There was no report due to Cllr. Nicholas being absent

Shenley Lodge & Furzton Neighbourhood Action Group

Cllr M Geaney reported that a meeting had been held and 9 residents attended. The main issue discussed was parking problems.

Howe Park Neighbourhood Action Group

Cllr Edmonds reported that the fish & chip supper recruitment had been a great success with 18 attendees and 5 apologies for the following meeting. The group is to complete EVA'S and have also set up a website for any further requests.

Both NAGS reported a lack of support from MKC.

Valley Steering Group: Cllr M Geaney informed members that herself and Cllr K Geaney attended a meeting and a meeting report was presented to council.

LCSA: There had been no further meetings.

STARS: There had been no further meetings.

Parishes Forum: Cllr. Cato will forward on the minutes of the meeting once he has received them, to all members.

Cllr. Livingstone also proposed that as the HS2 construction works is now approaching and that the parish will be affected by the heavy traffic, that it is put on as an agenda item for the next meeting. Cllr Vidamour also suggested that the council invites other parish councils that will be affected to discuss further.

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TVP Liaison Group: There had been no further meetings.

Clerks Forum: There had been no further meetings.

8. Youth Team Video

Andy Ridgway the youth team leader showed a short film to members.

The film showed the effects of littering and had being produced by the pupils of Priory Rise School, following weekly Sessions run by Andy in conjunction with the school.

Andy explained that once permission has been granted he will be loading the film on the youth team You Tube page with a link to the parish website.

A further film on healthy eating is to be produced next term with the hope of introducing the project in to other schools within the parish in the next school year.

Members thanked Andy for attending and showing the film.

9. Finance

Members received the finance report and payments to be authorised including retrospectives, all were approved.

10. RFO

As agreed at the previous meeting Cllr. Moore Proposed and Cllr. Vidamour seconded that Sharon Kerr be given the title of Responsible Finance Officer This was agreed unanimously.

Statement from Vice-Chairman Michael Cato - This vote was taken in the light of the current incumbent still being in the employment of the council and this minute reflects the decision which should have been taken appointing an Acting RFO until such time as the incumbent returns to work.

11. New Van

Cllr. Cato informed members that the lease on the current van was to end in May, and proposed for the council to purchase a second van rather than re-new the lease. With the appointment of the warden hopefully decided this week, the van would not really be needed for a further 2 months and that provisional enquiries had shown that a 12 – 16 week lead time is needed if a new van is to be ordered. it also showed that it is possible to buy a standard almost new van straight from a dealer and that the overall cost of this inclusive of sign writing and adjustments made to the interior would not exceed £12,000.00. Cllr Moore proposed that this sum is accrued for in this year's accounts so the money is earmarked for the purchase in the near future, this was seconded by Cllr. Livingstone and agreed unanimously.

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12. Emerson Valley Community Centre

In the absence of Cllr. Nicholas, Sharon Kerr informed members that she had not yet been able to open a new bank account as this was not possible until the Limited company had been dissolved. Paul Oliver is still awaiting a signed letter from one of the directors who is currently abroad before he can finalise this. Sharon has spoken to Paul and he will continue to chase up the letter.

13. New Parish Office

This item was covered on the Chairman's Report.

14. Pride in the Parish

Cllr. M Geaney informed members that a meeting is to be held on 27th March and that 50 letters had been prepared to send out to different community groups to Invite them to attend the event. Cllr. M Geaney also reported that she is hoping to collect the Insurance details at the meeting so she is able to then go ahead with contacting commercial organisations to offer stall rentals.

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15. Black Sacks

Cllr. Edmonds asked members their views on the parish Office offering black sacks to residents at cost price. It was agreed unanimously that as there are many surrounding shops that already sell them this is not something that the parish council would do.

16. The following dates and times were noted:-

Planning & Environment Committee – Monday 3^{1st} March 2014

Community Committee – Monday 7th April 2014

Policy & Finance – Monday 14th April 2014

Parish Council – Monday 28th April 2014

14. Date of next meeting – Monday 28th April 2014

Meeting closed: 20.35 hours

Signed.....Chairman