

## **SHUDY CAMPS PARISH COUNCIL**

### **MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 17<sup>th</sup> JULY 2025 AT 7.30PM IN ST MARY'S CHURCH, CHURCH ROAD, SHUDY CAMPS.**

Present : Councillors Justin Plumb (Chair), Sharon Kell, Andrew Webb, Alison Warwick

In attendance: Jackie Dockerill (Parish Clerk)

Members of the public: 0

#### **1. OPEN FORUM**

John Haine contacted the clerk about some issues with the MVAS device. The follow points were discussed

1. Agreed that JH could purchase a small tool box for fittings etc
2. Difficulty using the new post in Mill Green due to it location, close to the ditch. Plus the possibility of turning the device around at that location
3. Possibility of moving the new post in Church lane to Blacksmiths Lane but as a stop gap locating the device on the '30' sign as you enter Blacksmiths Lane from Haverhill side.
4. Rusting post at Nosterfield, which has been reported to Highways to be replaced.

Paul Malins contacted the clerk about the path being sprayed in Mill Green and killing all the grass, PM was concerned that this would become very slippery in the winter, no further action to be taken at this time.

Ann and Alex Thompson have offered to clean and paint (if required) the 2 wooden benches in the village.

The chair suggested that the S106 funds could be used to make a more substantial Bus Stop on Main Street, with a kerb and hard standing. The clerk will approach Highway to see how this could be done and the possibility of doing the same at the bus stop on Church Lane and the Telephone box at Nosterfield End.

**Clerk**

#### **2. NEW COUNCILLOR – CO ADOPTION**

The parish council received 2 candidates for the position, unfortunately neither could make the meeting but the current councillors voted and John Trehearn was elected. The council would sincerely like to thank both parties for taking the time to put themselves forward.

#### **3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Henry Batchelor and John Batchelor

#### **4. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 13<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2025**

RESOLVED: that the Minutes of the meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> May 2025 approved as a correct record.

## 5. MATTERS ARISING ON THE MINUTES

Alison Warwick has tidied up the Noticeboard and will replace the cork on the door, plus asked if it could be painted. The clerk will ask Ann and Alex if they would be willing to do this when they tidy the benches

Clerk

## 6. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

A.Webb – Church Railing (Church Treasurer)  
A.Webb – Manages Trust (Trustee)

## 7. DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

RECEIVED: June + July 25 (previously circulated to Councillors and uploaded to SCPC website)

- Anaerobic digester plant Suffolk : declined

## 8. FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

REPORTED: that the balance of £31,043.20 in the Treasurer's Account at 11<sup>th</sup> July 2025.

REPORTED: The following payments/receipts were made since the last meeting

Clerk Wages April to June 25	933.40
HMRC Paye Qtr 1	77.46
Shudy Camps Church – Meetings May24 to Mar25	180.00
SCDC New Bin Mill Green	501.30

REPORTED: Following expenses were approved for payment

Red Shoes Inv 15978 16/6/25	46.80
J Pledger Audit 24/25	135.00

## 9. PLANNING MATTERS

- 24/01147/FUL: Nosterfield End Farm Nosterfield End Shudy Camps  
New vehicular access, Farm access and associated works – refused
- 24/04809/FULProposal : The Wilderness, Church Road, Shudy Camps : Demolition of container units, portacabin and mono-pitch barn and erection of replacement self-build dwelling and change of use to residential – submitted comments  
24/04809/FUL : Revised site layout and design to address Conservation Officer comment – application permitted
- 25/02110/FUL: 1 Bangs Close Shudy Camps Cambridgeshire CB21 4RJ  
Erection of 1no new dwelling  
This application is not supported on the following grounds:  
It is overlooked by another property in Bangs Close

There is poor access to the site.  
The scale of the plan is not in keeping with the surrounding area  
The site is next to ditch and flooding could be an issue  
The site is also adjacent to a protected verge

- iv) 25/01869/FUL: 9 Main Street Shudy Camps Cambridgeshire CB21 4RA  
Installation of new drop kerb.  
The application is supported by SCP

#### 10. HIGHWAYS AND RELATED MATTERS

- Telephone Box : Main Street Maintenance  
There are 2 quotes for the painting of the telephone on Main Street and it was decided to proceed with the quote to paint both the interior and exterior.  
**A. Warwick**
- Church Railing: No further news since the last meeting. A. Webb will speak to James Manning again and also mentioned the idea of a temporary rail being a solution.  
**A. Webb**
- Footpath behind the Parkway  
It was decided that addition of chipping/mulch on the path would be a good solution at this moment in time and the clerk was tasked to investigate the possible suppliers of such materials.  
**Clerk**
- The Old Stack Yard  
There has been no further news on the site and the items are still appearing on the verge next to the road. The clerk will initially contact HB for an update.  
**Clerk**
- Age Concern – Warden invoice  
Age Concern sent the Parish Council an invoice, which in previous years and this year has been paid by the Manages Trust. A Webb confirmed that the charity again donated £450 this year and is waiting for Age Concern to confirm receipt.
- IT Policy 25/26  
As of 1<sup>st</sup> April 2026 the Parish Council is required to have an IT policy as part of the annual audit and a draft was received from Capal. A Webb and SK will work on drawing up a draft for Shudy Camps Parish Council. It was also noted that the Standing Orders may also need reviewing for Year 26/27 following some changes.  
**A Webb/SK**

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING - Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> Sept 2025 7.30 pm

#### 11. MEETING ATTENDED/FORTHCOMING AND TRAINING ATTENDED

Andrew Webb – Councillor Training 17<sup>th</sup> May 2025 (in person Littleport)

There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 20.30 pm