

Public meeting of Shafton Parish Council

Minutes

Monday 28 July 2025 Shafton Community Centre 6pm

Present

Parish Councillors Cllr Ruth Booker (Chair) Cllr Jim Johnson, (Vice Chair), Cllr Dave Hall, Cllr Pete Makinson , Cllr Barry Lee, and Mr David Gill. Clerk to the Council

Cllr Ruth Booker Chaired the meeting.

Elected members:

Cllr Dorothy Coates and Cllr Ashley Peace

256.00 Welcome and introductions.

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

257.00 Apologies for absence

Cllr Steve Ellis and Cllr Janice Giles

257.01 Absent

Cllr J Gray & Cllr Linda Knight

258.00 Declaration of pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest. (Disclosures of Interests)

None

259.00 Minutes of the previous meeting, held on

The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 23 June 2025 were read.

260.00 Matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting.

251.01 Snow Drop Walk

A member of the public reported the Shrubs need cutting back on Snow Drop Walk- Clerk to investigate.

251.02 Pinfold

A member of the public reported an over hanging branch on the Pinfold; Caretaker to inspect-- Clerk to investigate.

251.03 Hawthorn Street

Overhanging branches were reported. - Clerk to investigate

252.01 Travellers private owned Allotments off Southgate

The Chair, Cllr Ruth Booker, reported no further intrusions. Wardens have been inspecting the area, and BMBC has been very helpful in addressing the situation.

254.01 Plumpton Park sunken path

The sunken path in Plumpton Park has been fenced off and made safe. Park Services are awaiting mining deeds and will keep Cllr Ruth Booker updated on progress."

261.00. Ratification of the minutes of the previous meeting.

The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed.

262.00 Business items

262.01 Parish Councillors Register of Interest Forms 2025

Members completed their Register of Interest Forms

263.00 Planning Applications

None

264.00 Road, Footpaths and Lighting.

The Chair reported that a meeting had taken place with Damon Brown Barnsley BMBC Network manager regarding speeding issue on Dog Hill , High Street and Sandy Bridge Lane.

Mr Damon Brown was very open about what could be achieved but he was limited by budget constraints and priorities.

The following measure were discussed:

- Movable Speed Indicator Device could be installed for one month.
- School warning lights to be repaired as the lights are not working.
- Clearway signage to be installed Shafton Working Men's Club Bus stop preventing vehicles from stopping or parking with in it.
- Setting up a community speed watch

265 .00 Public questions, comments, or representations.

265.01 Pinfold memorial to the fallen.

A member of the public inquired about the status of the Pinfold memorial project. Cllr Jim Johnson mentioned that the project has not progressed yet and is seeking funding. Cllr P Makinson suggested exploring Lottery funding.

266 .00 Correspondence.

None

267 .00 Any other business.

267.01 Banking behind No22 Park View

A member of the public requested that the Recreation Ground banking behind No22 Park View be treated with herbicide -Clerk to ask the Caretaker to carry out this work.

267.02 Manor View open space.

A member of the public reported that the entrances were overgrown and requested that they be cleared. Cllr Ashley Peace stated this had been reported to Barnsley Neighbourhood Services for action.

267.03 Grassroots in the Park

Cllr Ashley Peace reported that the North East Ward Alliance will hold free summer holiday activities in Shafon on Friday, 1st August at Shafon Green and Thursday, 14th August at Shafon Recreation Group

267.04 Open space to the rear of Hazeldene Crescent

A member of the public reported the boundary to the open space was not getting cut. Cllr Ashley Peace stated he had met Neighbourhood Services, and it had been left to secure the boundaries of the bungalows.

267.05 Shafon Community Group Picnic

Shafon Community Group reported they would be holding a summer picnic and games on Saturday 16 August.

267.06 Remembrance Day

Members agreed to hold this year Remembrance Day on a Sunday

267.07 Remembrance Day bugler

Cllr Jim Johnson proposed hiring a bugler to play at the last post at a cost of £85.

Agreed

267.08 Shafon Bowling Green Shelter

Cllr Dorothy Coated reported that the works on the base for the Shelter were due to start in September.

267.09 Shafton Christmas tree switch on event

It was proposed that the Shafton Christmas tree switch on event take place on Thursday 30 November.

Agreed

267.10 Shafton Community Centre toilets refurbishment

Members of the Public were excluded from this item as tenders should be discussed in confidence due to their sensitive information.

The Clerk reported that following members site meeting today Monday 28 July with Clearflow Plumbing and Heating he had received the revised invoice for the works.

Subtotal ££19880.

Vat 20% £3976

Total Cost £23856

A grant of £14731 had previously been received towards the cost of the works.

The Clerk stated that Clearflow Plumbing and Heating require a 50% deposit before the start date.

It was proposed to pay £12000 as the deposit.

Agreed

268.00 Date and time of next meetings.

Shafton Parish Council Finance meeting 6 pm Monday 11 August 2025 Shafton Works Men's Club

Public meeting of Shafton Parish Council 6pm Monday 29 September 6pm Shafton Community Centre

Meeting Closed 7:20