

## Public meeting of Shafton Parish Council

# Minutes

**Monday 29 September 2025 Shafton Community Centre 6pm**

### **Present**

Parish Councillors Cllr Ruth Booker (Chair ) Cllr Dave Hall, Cllr Pete Makinson , Cllr Janice Giles, and Mr David Gill. Clerk to the Council

Cllr Ruth Booker Chaired the meeting.

Elected members:

Cllr Dorothy Coates and Cllr Ashley Peace

### **269.00 Welcome and introductions.**

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

### **270.00 Apologies for absence**

Cllr Steve Ellis, Cllr Barry Lee, Cllr Jim Johnson, (Vice Chair), and Cllr Linda Knight

### **270.01 Absent**

Cllr J Gray

### **271.00 Declaration of pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest. (Disclosures of Interests)**

None

### **271.00 Minutes of the previous meeting, held on**

The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 28 July 2025 were read.

### **272.00 Matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting.**

267.09 Shafton Christmas tree switch on event. Date needs to be changed due to clashes with other events. Chair to follow up.

### **273.00. Ratification of the minutes of the previous meeting.**

The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed.

### **274.00 Business items**

#### **274.01 Remembrance Day arrangements Sunday 9 November**

Arrangements on going.

#### **274.02 Setting up a community speed watch volunteers required.**

Cllr Jim Johnson to lead a community speed watch group. Volunteers needed.

## **275.00 Planning Applications**

None

## **276.00 Road, Footpaths and Lighting.**

### **276.01 School warning lights**

It was reported that the school warning lights were not working. Clerk to report the issue.

### **276.02 Brierley Road resurfacing**

Needs resurfacing. Issue reported by Cllr Dorothy Coates

### **276.03 Parking issues**

Ongoing problems at school run times on Ash Road, Oak Road, and High Street. Cllr Ashley Peace to contact parking wardens. Cllr Dorothy Coates to raise with the school.

### **276.04 Sainsburys lighting**

Lights switch off at 8pm. The Clerk reported this had been reported to Sainsburys in the past, but they had stated the lights are not their responsibility.

## **277 .00 Public questions, comments, or representations.**

### **277.01 Former Methodist Chapel Church St**

A member of the public enquired if anyone knew what was happening with the future old chapel. A member of the public stated that a public meeting was scheduled for 22 October at 7pm at the Chappel to discuss future use.

### **277.02 Christmas tree**

Request for trees at both entrances/exits of Shafton the chair stated that a Christmas tree was always erected at Two gates, and it would too be expensive to have a second.

### **277.03 Defib Dog Hill**

Shafton Community events group thanked everyone who had worked towards erecting the new defib. Cllr Pete Makinson to arrange Defib training.

### **277.04 Peace Garden**

Shirley Self of the Shafton Community events group stated that the group were looking to set up a peace garden at the side to the community centre on dog hill to include raised beds and planters.

## **277.05 HMO**

A member of the public asked if there was any further information on the HMO application. The Chair stated there was no further information at this stage.

A member of the public asked if the chair had had response from Dan Jarvis MP re his views on HMO application The Chair reported not at this stage but would follow it up.

## **278 .00 Correspondence.**

### **278.01 Stop smoking advisor.**

Sarah Sverdloff NHS Senior stop smoking advisor has requested to use of the Community Centre meeting room for stop smoking session but would require it free of charge to be able to proceed.

**Agreed provisionally.**

## **279 .00 Any other business.**

### **279.01 New Parish Clerk**

The Chair announced the new Parish Clerk would Peter Makinson and would take over from David Gill upon retired.

### **279.02 Community event**

Shafton Community Events Group requested free use of the centre and astro turf for an event on 15 November.

**Agreed**, subject to availability. Market licence required for stalls.

## **280.00 Date and time of next meetings.**

Shafton Parish Council Finance meeting 6 pm Monday 20 October 2025 Shafton Works Men's Club

Public meeting of Shafton Parish Council 6pm Monday 27 October 6pm Shafton Community Centre

Meeting Closed 7:00