**SHACKLEFORD PARISH COUNCIL**

  **Minutes of a Meeting held 2 March 2009 in the Village Hall**

**Present** – Bridget Carter-Manning (Chairman), Fran Nowlan (Vice Chairman), Diana Kirkillo-Stacewicz, Fred Bourne, Jon Scott, David Preston (Clerk), P.C. Vanessa Privett.

**Members of the Public** –Gavin Bell, Trish Bell, Sandy Brigstocke, Roger Bunnett, Chris Christensen, Jon Forsyth, Vivien Gillman, Lorna Leathers, Gordon Parham.

 **Issues raised by the Public**

Sandy Brigstocke drew attention to problems arising from the current A3 roadworks, and it was agreed that there were problems of signage, slip road closures, access at Hurtmore, and blocking the entrance to Home Farm. The Council will make representations to the Highways Agency.

 **Council Meeting**

**58/08 Apologies for Absence** – None.

**59/08 Minutes of the Meeting held 5 January 2009** – Approved and signed by the Chairman.

**60/08 Matters arising** – The Clerk confirmed that the Freedom of Information Act notices had been displayed.

**61/08 Declarations of Interest** – The Chairman declared an interest in Agenda item 13, as a Member of the Village Hall Committee

**62/08 Community Safety** – P.C. Privett reported a number of garage and shed break-ins, and the theft of a horse trailer. She strongly advised the securing of outbuildings and the marking of owners’ names and postcodes on belongings. She would try to make available a supply of pens for this purpose. Surrey Police had sent ‘We are watching you’ cards to known habitual burglars.

**63/08 County and Borough Issues** – held over in the absence of Cllr. Rooth,

**64/08 Finance** –

Banking Arrangements – There were still a problem with getting statements, but the Chairman had now had a meeting with Lloyds and it was hoped that this would shortly be resolved.

Items for payment – Agreed.

Appointment of Internal Auditor – Kevin Dewey was confirmed as the Council’s Internal Auditor.

**65/08 – Planning –** The list of current planning applications and decisions was noted.

 Eashing Quarry – nothing to report.

 Mushroom Farm – The Council had heard nothing further, but Roger Bunnett reported that he understood Wates were close to submitting a Planning Application. The Council agreed to consider calling a Public Meeting when the Application was received.

Jon Forsyth mentioned that a Planning Application would shortly be submitted for polytunnels at Home Farm.

**66/08 – Highways and Byways** – The Chairman said that a long list of problems had been submitted to Surrey Highways, via Cllr. Rooth, including potholes, blocked drains, overgrown verges, dirty and obscured road signs, and missing signs.

Concern was expressed about the lack of treatment of roads in Shackleford Village in the recent snow and ice. It was agreed that grit boxes, to be positioned at Grenville Road/Rokers Lane and by the Church, should be requested.

**67/08 – Risk Assessment** – A final draft had been circulated and was approved.

**68/08- Village Fete 2009** – It was decided that the Council would have no formal involvement, but individual Councillors would participate as they wished.

**69/08 – Grant Aid 2009/10** – It was hoped work on the War Memorial setts would commence in the next 4/5 weeks

**70/08 – Village Hall –** It was noted that the Trustees of the Village Hall were well advanced with plans to change the Hall’s status to that of a Charitable Company

**71/08 – Next Meeting Date** –11 May (AGM).