SHACKLEFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on 9th September in the Shackleford Centre

Present – Bridget Carter-Manning (Chairman) Fran Nowlan (Vice Chairman) Philip Randall, Jon Scott, GBC Councillor Tony Rooth and SCC Councillor George Johnson

Members of the Public - Scott Eldridge, Jon Forsyth, Darrell Romer, Judy Romer, Neil Smith and Selina Pope

Issues raised by the Public – none.

31/14 – Apologies for absence – Kate Lingard (clerk) Barry Hitchcock

32/14 – Minutes of Meeting held on 1 July 2014 – approved, and signed by BCM

33/14 – Matters Arising – none

34/14 – Declarations of Interest – none

35/14 – Community Report from the Surrey Police – PC Privett was not present to give a report.

36/14 – County and Borough Councillors – TR reported that the Local Plan was under consultation and that any comments would be received with interest. BCM reported that a survey on behalf of Guildford Parish Forum had been critical of the Local Plan, much of which was felt to be unintelligible and not relevant to Shackleford apart from the infrastructure and the A3. There is some unease about the proposed development on land in adjoining Waverley Borough at Secretts in Milford and possible inaccuracy in Waverley’s claim to all 18 houses on the Mushroom Farm Development. The question of the advantages of having a Neighbourhood Plan was raised and discussed and will be on the Agenda at a future date.

BCM said that the flouting of working restrictions on the Aldro site over the weekend of 6/7 September did not fit the criteria of an important enough emergency for the GBC ‘emergency line’ so no planning officer could be contacted.

TR was asked to look into a licencing application by Eashing Service Station for 24hour alcohol and food sales. TR was also asked to look into lengthy delays on certain planning applications.

GJ reported that he had been dealing with various planning applications from St Mary’s School. He had also been given a list of highway issues by BCM and was arranging a meeting with the local Highways Manager, who had been asked to reinstate two of the ditches which had been dug in Peper Harow Road. GJ was sending a copy of the Parish Boundary map for checking. BCM reported that signs had been put up warning walkers on two local footpaths that cross the A3 and giving an alternative route. SPC resolved to write to SCC seeking a permanent closure of these footpaths.

36/15 – Planning – the list of current planning applications was discussed

APPEAL – Planning Application 13/P/01737 – Proposed Solar Farm at Eashing Farm, Eashing Lane – BCM reported that the Planning Inspector was waiting for new Government directives.

Planning Application 14/P/01578 – Cedar House, School Lane, Shackleford. There was some discussion about materials to be used, but it was decided there were no objections.

Planning Application 14/P/01588 – Hall Place, Godalming GU8 6AH. Not all councillors had viewed the planning documents so any objections would be notified to the Clerk.

PR queried the size of the planning site map sizes and TR agreed to raise this with GBC Planning Department.

37/14 – Hurtmore Goalpost – The Licence with GBC was approved and signed by BCM and PR. GBC now to sign the Licence and then the goalpost can be installed.

38/14 – Provision of Grit Bins – It was agreed to order new grit bins, the cost for each being around £100.00 including delivery. The question of removal of the old bins was discussed. Contractors to be asked if they can effect removal and if not local help will be required.

39/14 – War Memorial – It was decided that the provision of insurance for the war memorial is insufficient. A quote of £90 had been received for a valuation to be carried out. After some discussion it was agreed that the war memorial needed to be insured for a realistic amount, and so it was agreed to go ahead and have this valuation done.

40/14 – Shackleford Community Playground – The Playground committee reported that a survey had been carried out which had found that the condition of equipment was sound above ground, but not underground and rectification would cost £13,000. Funding released under Section 106 from the Mushroom Farm development will provide £8,000. Approaches were to be made to Eibe to see whether the work could be done for this figure. The boundary between the Cyder House and the playground was queried, as a hedge had been removed, making this unclear. There was also the continuing problem of glasses and bottles being taken into the playground area, despite signs having been displayed. It was agreed that a letter would be sent to the Cyder House landlord stating SPC’s conditions for the pub’s continued use of the gate and steps. New signs stating that the land belonged to SPC and that glass of any kind was not permitted beyond the pub’s boundary would be erected as soon as possible. Selina Pope reported on a meeting that the Playground committee had had on insurance worries, and assurances she had received from Aviva on the committee’s responsibilities. The playground committee reported that they had decided to commit themselves for the next year and then reassess the situation.

41/14 – S.106 Monies from Mushroom Farm Development - BCM reported that although several projects had been suggested to GBC, none of these was deemed eligible under the scheme, so SPC would give this further thought.

42/14 –– CFGA 2015-16 – SPC to apply for this grant from GBC for matched funding for the Playground repairs (the matched funding would be from the s106 monies and therefore not incur any expense for SPC). Clerk to send off the form.

43/14 – Finance –

1. The Annual Return has been received by the External Auditor.
2. A VAT rebate from HMRC of £164.95 has been received.
3. It was agreed to increase the Clerk’s weekly hours from 7 to 8 hours a week.
4. The following payments were approved:

Hall Hire - £25

Clerk’s expenses for June and July - £181.20

1st Call Trees – Car Park Hedge - £432 (to be paid only after works approved and carried out)

Annual CPRE membership fee - £36

ROSPA – Annual Playground Inspection Fee - £88.80

ROSPA – Checklist for Playground Inspection - £36

Lamination Costs for Public Footpath Notices - £28

43/15 – Other Correspondence – BCM reported that she had received a letter from Anne Milton about the proposed changes in use of airspace by Heathrow and Gatwick. Scott Eldridge explained these and the new proposed air corridor which will run from Godalming to Tongham for light aircraft. This is part of the proposal to clear more airspace for Farnborough Airport, which is planning to increase its commercial business.

44/15 – Date of Next Meeting – 18th November.