**SHACKLEFORD PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of Meeting on 19 March 2019 in the Main Hall at the Shackleford Centre**

**Present** – Bridget Carter-Manning (Chairman), Fran Nowlan (Vice-Chair), Philip Randall, Jon Scott and Kate Lingard (Clerk).

**Members of the Public** – Jan and Drew Baker, Sallie Barker, Judy and Darrell Romer and Bob Stovold.

**Issues raised by Public** – Bob Stovold said a GBC officer had been to see him after a report that he had cut down a tree. He said he had cut it down because it was diseased and could be dangerous. Bob also mentioned the light pollution from Forsyth’s farm. As several residents have complained about this BCM said a letter should be sent to Mr Forsyth asking him to take action to reduce the light pollution in the centre of the village. It was also noted that light pollution from The Squirrel was very dangerous when exiting the southbound A3 and SPC would write to The Squirrel also.

**67/18** – **Apologies for Absence** – Matt Furniss, Tony Rooth and Neil Smith.

**68/18 – Barry Hitchcock –** our councillor Barry Hitchcock passed away suddenly in January and BCM said how shocked and saddened everyone was to lose him. We were very proud to have a councillor who had contributed so much to the field of sport and local life and the well-attended celebration of his life at Surrey Sports Park was testament to Barry’s many amazing achievements. The Parish Council will miss Barry’s contribution greatly; especially his knack for writing up our meetings for the Parish News in a way that managed to make them sound interesting and amusing.

**69/18 - Declarations of Interest –** none.

**70/18 - Minutes of meeting held on 7 January 2019 –** approved and signed.

**71/18 - Matters Arising –** none.

**72/18 - County and Borough Councillors –** none present.

**73/18 - Highways and Byways –** BCM said that since the last meeting the Aarons Hill application on the Waverley side had been approved, as had the application for the SANG in Eashing. The GBC side of the Aarons Hill field had been removed as a site for development from the GBC Local Plan, for now, following successful representations to the Planning Inspector. The developer had earmarked funds for traffic mitigation measures in Eashing, including at the junction at the Milford end of Eashing Lane but SPC has been assured by Matt Furniss at SCC that there will be a further consultation before these are finally agreed. BCM will follow this up with Richard Cooper at Highways.

BCM said the new post for the speed activated road sign is in position finally, but we are still waiting for news of a course to train our volunteer to manage the sign/batteries before it can be put up. BCM to follow up again with Matt Furniss.

**74/18 – Elections May 2019 –** parish council elections are due in May 2019. The clerk handed out the nomination packs and if councillors return to the clerk by Sunday 31st May the clerk will hand deliver them to GBC.

**75/18 - Planning –** the following was discussed:

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| **Application** | **Location** | **Proposal** | **SPC VIEWS** |
| 18/P/0389 | 37 Quarry Road, Hurtmore | Conversion of annex into single unit of residential accommodation | All councillors objected to this application. It sets a precedent to convert other garages in the road. It also represents overdevelopment of the site and will cause further problems with parking on Quarry Road. Clerk to write to GBC officer. |

**76/18 - Finance**

1. **Expenses** – to approve the following payments:

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| **Date** | **Amount** | **Reason for expenditure** | **VAT** | **Payee** |
| 1/1/19 | £9.95 | Website fee | 1.66 | 34SP.com |
| 1/2/19 | £9.95 | Website fee | 1.66 | 34sp.com |
| 16/3/19 | £82.42 | Clerk’s expenses | 0 | Kate Lingard |
| 16/3/19 | £200 | Donation to St John’s Ambulance | 0 | Godalming CFR/St Johns Ambulance |
| 16/3/19 | £25 | Hall Hire | 0 | Acorns Nursery School |
| 16/3/19 | £150 | Installation of wooden Posts for signs in parish | 0 | Surrey County Council |
| 16/3/19 | £200 | Fees for 2018 and 2019 | 0 | Community Heartbeat Trust |
| 16/3/19 | £87.81 | New Defibrillator Pads | 14.64 | Richard Thompson |
| 16/3/19 | £24 | Cost for token of thanks for Geoff Young and Adrian de Candole for production of new signs for SPC car park and playground | 0 | Bridget Carter Manning |
| 16/3/19 | £792 | Tree works in the parish | 132 | 1st Call |

1. **Bank Reconciliation -** the bank reconciliation as at end Jan 2019 was approved and signed.
2. **Clerk’s salary –** the councillors have been advised that the clerk’s salary should have been reviewed annually and as this had not happened for 6 years the clerk would be due a pay rise in line with the going rate for similar sized parish councils in the Surrey/Sussex. A pay increase to £20 per hour was agreed but before implementing this the councillors wanted guidance from GBC to confirm the precept could be raised next year to cover this going forward, as it would equate to roughly a £10 increase for a Band D household.

**77/18 - Other Correspondence –** BCMsaid she had followed up some complaints about slurry being spread on the roads/damage to the verges at Attleford Lane and Environmental Health had confirmed that there would be no impact on local water.

**78/18 - 2019 Meetings:**

* Tuesday 7 May (Brigstocke Room)
* Monday 1 July (Main Hall)
* Tuesday 10 September (Brigstocke Room)
* Tuesday 12 November (Brigstocke Room) **DATED** 20/3/19