



## SHERINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes from 10<sup>th</sup> March 2026 at 7.30pm

Clerk to the Council – Lisa Fern

**Present -**

**In attendance**

Michael Burns-Nokes (Chair)

Maxine Odell

Rob Warren

Sharon Axford

Lisa Fern (Clerk)

**Apologies:** Vic Kitchingham (Vice-Chair), Louise Bailey

**Attendees:** 28, 1 councillor

Item	Detail	Actions
1	<b>RECEIVE AND NOTE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b> -Vic Kitchingham, Louise Bailey	SPC
2	<b>RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</b> -None.	SPC
3	<b>APPROVE MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING</b> -All agreed.	SPC
4	<b>RECEIVE WARD COUNCILLOR IS REPORT</b>  - The Travellers appeal to live on the land at the top of Gun Lane was approved by the inspector who reviewed their case. MKC will be reviewing this decision and looking closely at the conditions that were applied to the approval.  - MK budget was agreed in Feb, 4.99% increase.  -The verges on the A509 are looking untidy due to Litter, Keith has asked for a litter picking Schedule from MKC.  -Final SID poles are coming on the 20 <sup>th</sup> March.	Ward Councillor



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	<p>-Culvert in Gun Lane is still being chased, still hasn't improved and the water level is still high. This will continue to be chased.</p> <p>-Wind Farm fund can be applied for by the end of the month by the Clerk of SPC.</p>	
<b>5</b>	<p><b>PCSO not present.</b></p> <p>-Ongoing issues with anti-social behaviour locally. Nothing else to report.</p>	PCSO
<b>6</b>	<p><b>Care Taker –</b></p> <p>-Soffits need to be painted on the outside of the Pavillion.</p> <p>-Issues with Drainage, we need to do some works to prevent Damp occurring.</p>	Clerk
<b>7</b>	<p><b>ACTIONS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES</b></p> <p>-No update</p>	SPC



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<b>8</b>	<p><b>PROJECT GROUP UPDATES -</b></p> <p><b>8.1 – Landscaping</b> – Still awaiting dates for MKC and the developers to meet to discuss the Barwood Site and the Biodiversity issues. This is ongoing.</p> <p><b>8.2 – Biodiversity</b> – as above.</p> <p><b>8.3- Drainage</b> – as picked up in the Councillors report.</p> <p><b>8.4– Highways</b> – Last of the Poles is coming on the 20<sup>th</sup> March.</p> <p><b>8.5 S106 Funding</b> – No update on the Art project at present.</p> <p>The Voluntary Sector is being used for the Historical Society who are working hard to digitalise all of their paper documentation so that quotes can be obtained and we can apply for an application of funding for this.</p> <p>The new kitchen installation is almost complete for the Village Hall.</p> <p>Play and Parks funds is potentially being drawn to arrange a seating area at Sherington Village Hall Park.</p> <p><b>8.6 Neighbourhood Plan</b> – Awaiting further updates.</p>	SPC
<b>9</b>	<p><b>FINANCE -</b></p> <p><b>9.1 REVIEW MONTHLY BALANCES</b> - All agreed / signed</p> <p><b>9.2 APPROVE INVOICES FOR PAYMENT</b> – All agreed / signed</p>	SPC / CLERK
<b>10</b>	<p><b>CLERKS REPORT –</b></p> <p>-Warm space events were both successful and well attended, the £500 given to Sherington PC has been spent on free meals for over 120 villagers.</p> <p>-VAT returns have been refunded into SPC bank account.</p> <p>-SPC have voted in favour of a Defibrillator monthly subscription, cost is around £29-£35 a month and includes regular inspections and free parts.</p> <p>-Budget has now been confirmed and is on the Sherington Parish Council website. The PC have requested a 20% rise in line with increased min Wage, increased utility bills, to allow us to save for the Future NHP and also to allow us to carry out works within the Village.</p> <p>-Dog Bins have been paid for £2500 for the year.</p> <p>-SPC has been asked if they can Sponsor the Colour Run in memory of Bea Pykett to raise funds for Charity – this has been voted in favour of and will be discussed in more detail at next months meeting.</p>	CLERK
<b>11</b>	<p><b>NEW STANDING ORDERS AND FINANCIAL REGULATIONS:</b></p> <p>-N/a</p>	SPC
<b>12</b>	<p><b>Youth Club</b> - The Youth Club bank account still has £1678.22 remaining; the previous treasurer has presented SPC a cheque for this full amount.</p>	MOP



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	It has been requested that this monies is used to towards something that benefits the Children of Sherington.	
<b>13</b>	<p><b>PLANNING APPLICATIONS:</b></p> <p>Application Ref: PLN/2026/0248</p> <p>Proposal: Certificate of lawfulness for the proposed replacement of four existing windows at 3 THE KNOLL, SHERINGTON, NEWPORT PAGNELL, MK16 9NZ</p> <p>26/02/2026</p> <p>Make any comments by: <b>APPROVED BY SPC</b></p> <p>-----</p> <p>Application Ref: PLN/2025/2569</p> <p>Proposal: Erection of detached, single storey, two-bedroom dwelling and associated works including the formation of a crossover on Carters Close at Arbour House, Church Road, Sherington MK16 9BP</p> <p>Ongoing</p> <p>Make any comments by: <b>SPC have rejected this and submitted such response via MKC Portal</b></p>	SPC
<b>14</b>	<p><b>CONSIDER CORRESPONDENCE AND NEW CONSULTATIONS</b></p> <p>-Nothing to report</p>	SPC
<b>15</b>	<p><b>EXTERNAL MEETINGS –</b></p> <p>-Both the Clerk and the Chair of SPC met with Jamie Evans to discuss the planning Application for Arbour House.</p> <p>-Some of the PC attended the appeal relating to the Enforcement notice.</p>	SPC
<b>16</b>	<p><b>COUNCILLORS ITEMS</b></p> <p>-The dog excrement is on the rise, especially in local parks and playing fields in the area. It is illegal to walk your dogs around the Pavillion playing fields, signs will be going up to remind the public of this fact.</p> <p>-SPC are looking to start a litter picking group, further information to follow. The Clerk will be ordering littler pickers and hoops.</p>	SPC



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<b>17</b>	<b>RECEIVE PUBLIC COMMENT</b>  -16/04 there will be a panel hearing relating to Arbor House planning application (planning app above).  -Continued concern relating to the Culvert flooding at the top of Gun Lane, MKC are still yet to fix this.	SPC
<b>18</b>	<b>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</b> – 14 <sup>th</sup> April 7:30pm	SPC

Meeting Ended: 8:12pm



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### Schedule of payments and bank balances MARCH 26

Date	Invoice Details	Amount inc VAT	Signature	Signature
10.03.2026				

Paid/Agreed to be paid with Authorisation mid month/previously

SCRIBE	£42.00			
EON	£123.00			
White Hart - Warm Space	£500.00			
Windows	£14.00			
DOG BINS	£2184.00			
SUEZ	36.28			
Salaries	£931.20			
Expenses	£33.00			
HMRC	£307.84			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£4,171.32</b>			

Account balances

Current account	£12,050.89			
Savings Account	£15,680.45			
Precept	£39,000			

2025/2026 Direct Debit Payments

ICO	Yearly
SCRIBE	Monthly
EON NEXT	Monthly
ANGLIAN WATER	Quarterly

*Excerpt from Financial Regulations May 202: 4. Budgetary control and authority to spend 4.1. Expenditure on revenue items may be authorised up to the amounts included for that class of expenditure in the approved budget. This authority is to be determined by: • the council for all items at £500 or above; • the Clerk, in conjunction with Chairman of Council, for any items below £500. Such authority is to be evidenced by a minute and/or by an authorisation slip duly signed by the Clerk, and where necessary also by the appropriate Chairman.*



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