



SHERINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes from 14th April 2026 at 7.30pm

Clerk to the Council – Lisa Fern

Present -

In attendance

Vic Kitchingham (Vice-Chair)

Maxine Odell

Sharon Axford

Louise Bailey

Lisa Fern (Clerk)

Apologies: Michael Burns-Nokes (Chair), Rob Warren

Attendees: 29, 1 councillor

Item	Detail	Actions
1	RECEIVE AND NOTE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE - Michael Burns-Nokes (Chair), Rob Warren	SPC
2	RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST -None.	SPC
3	APPROVE MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING -All agreed.	SPC
4	RECEIVE WARD COUNCILLOR IS REPORT -Wind Farm funds are now set up, so Sherington and other villages can apply for funding. -Councillor continues to ask for a Litter picking schedule for the A Roads from MKC, still no response and they will continue to chase.	Ward Councillor



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<p>5</p>	<p>RECEIVE PCSO REPORT – PSCO NOT PRESENT</p> <p>-Burglary took place within Sherington last month, a number of things were stolen from a Garage. Please remain vigilant. -An ongoing dispute with Neighbours is still ongoing.</p>	<p>CLERK</p>
<p>6</p>	<p>ACTIONS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES</p> <p>-Nothing to report.</p>	<p>PCSO</p>
<p>7</p>	<p>PROJECT UPDATES</p> <p>-7.1 Landscaping – MKC have issued a non-compliance report, along with a list of actions and remedies to Barwood / Cora relating to their planning investigation. SPC have asked MKC exactly what has been listed as needing to be done.</p> <p>7.2 BIODIVERSITY – as above.</p> <p>7.3 DRAINAGE – Works has begun on the blocked Culvert; it appears to be completely blocked with roots.</p> <p>7.4 HIGHWAYS – Both SIDS have been installed now, so far this is having a positive effect. Funding has now been received for this.</p> <p>7.5 S106 Funding – The Art project currently being delayed by MKC as the project doesn't at present have a project manager. Funding is still being looked into also. The project is due to be completed by 2026.</p> <p>-The Village Hall kitchen has now been installed and works complete.</p> <p>-The Volunteer Funds will be obtained once we can obtain a quote for the digitalisation of the documents for the Historical Society.</p> <p>-Play and Park funds are the last funds available for SPC to claim, the Clerk is looking into potentially upgrading the Showers in the Pavillion changing rooms.</p> <p>7.6 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN – MK intend to submit the new City plan this month, therefore SPC have been advised to hold off submitting their final draft. We can then refer to the City plan and see if anything needs to be updated.</p> <p>7.7 SHERINGTON FEAST – 50th year anniversary is on the 24/09/27, SPC are asking that the Historical Society take the lead on this project please?</p>	<p>Clerk</p>



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8	<p>FINANCE</p> <p>8.1 REVIEW MONTHLY BALANCES - All agreed / signed</p> <p>8.2 APPROVE INVOICES FOR PAYMENT – All agreed / signed</p>	SPC
9	<p>RECEIVE CLERKS REPORT</p> <p>-106 monies are being looked into as mentioned above, potentially updating the showers in the Pavillion Changing rooms and doing some works for Sherington Village Hall Park.</p> <p>-SPC have voted and agreed to use some of the £1700 from the Youth Club funds towards helping to fund some of the Colour Run in memory Bea Pykett. Potentially £700-£900. The rest of the monies will go towards other projects in the village that benefit the children of Sherington.</p> <p>-New Defib is being ordered for Sherington Village Hall, SPC are signing up to a monthly subscription which works out around £30 a month.</p> <p>-Pavillion has had some works done, hedge cutting, painting of soffits and we are looking into maintenance of the pitch. Quotes are to be obtained for this.</p> <p>-First half of the Precept has been received by SPC.</p>	SPC / CLERK
10	<p>NEW STANDING ORDERS AND FINANCIAL REGULATIONS</p> <p>- None this month.</p>	CLERK
11	<p>NEW PLANNING APPLICATIONS</p> <p>-None this month.</p>	SPC
12	<p>CONSIDER CORRESPONDENCE AND NEW CONSULTATIONS</p> <p>-Nothing at present.</p>	SPC
13	<p>EXTERNAL MEETINGS – None</p>	SPC
14	<p>COUNCILLORS ITEMS</p> <p>-SPC are in the process of buying a fireproof Cabinet to store legal documentations.</p> <p>-Christmas Tree at the Knoll needs to be replaced, looking into replacements at present.</p> <p>-Knee Rail fencing needs to be updated and some more fitted around the Pavillion Car Park.</p>	SPC



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15	<p>RECEIVE PUBLIC COMMENT</p> <p>-More clarification requested on the reason behind SPC increasing their budget by 20%, the Clerk is to post the clear outline of the budget online by the next meeting.</p> <p>-Also concern relating to the Defib placement, whether people will be able to see it outside of the Village Hall.</p>	SPC
16	<p>DATE OF NEXT MEETING – 12th May 7:30pm</p>	SPC

Meeting Ended: 8:09pm

Schedule of payments and bank balances APRIL

Date 14.04.2026	Invoice Details	Amount inc VAT	Signature	Signature
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Paid/Agreed to be paid with Authorisation mid month/previously

SCRIBE	£42.00			
EON	£142.99			
PAINTING	£338.00			
ELECTRICIAN	£60.00			
YEARLY PAYROLL	£168.00			
SUEZ	£36.28			
Salaries	£1016.77			
Expenses	£43.76			
HMRC	£345.51			
TOTAL	£2193.31			

Account balances

Current account	£33,680.79			
Savings Account	£16,09.25			
Precept	£46,800			

2025/2026 Direct Debit Payments

ICO	Yearly
SCRIBE	Monthly
EON NEXT	Monthly
ANGLIAN WATER	Quarterly



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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.