



SHERINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes from 12th MAY 2026 at 7.30pm

Clerk to the Council – Lisa Fern

Present -

In attendance

Michael Burns-Nokes (Chair)

Vic Kitchingham (Vice-Chair)

Rob Warren

Sharon Axford

Lisa Fern (Clerk)

Apologies: Louise Bailey, Maxine Odell

Attendees: 16, 2 councillors

Item	Detail	Actions
1	RECEIVE AND NOTE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE - Louise Bailey, Maxine Odell	SPC
2	RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST -None.	SPC
3	APPROVE MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING -All agreed.	SPC
4	RECEIVE WARD COUNCILLOR IS REPORT -Keith introduced the new Ward Councillor for Olney and Rural areas – David Tyler. The election stands as follows: 20 Lib Dem, 19 labour, 12 con, 9 reform councillors. -Victoria Barret is due to make a visit to the Land at the top of Gun Lane to review the works being completed. -The A422 Chicheley Hill Newport Pagnell is due to be closed for 18 weeks from the 16/06 – SPC are due to publish a further update to the Parish regarding this closure.	Ward Councillors



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5	<p>RECEIVE PCSO REPORT – PSCO NOT PRESENT</p> <p>-No crimes to report of but still there is an ongoing dispute with Neighbours along the High Street, reported Cannabis use and reports of a suspicious person seen around Sherington.</p>	CLERK
6	<p>ACTIONS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES</p> <p>-Nothing to report.</p>	SPC
7	<p>PROJECT UPDATES</p> <p>-7.1 Landscaping – SPC and some of our local Residents took part in Litter Picking, managed to collect 15 bags of rubbish. Great effort by all, thank you.</p> <p>7.2 BIODIVERSITY – Works are beginning at the Barwoord site, this relates to the Enforcement notice given to the developers.</p> <p>7.3 DRAINAGE – The culvert appears to be blocked by roots up the top of Gun Lane, this has been reported to MK Council.</p> <p>7.4 HIGHWAYS – SPC are looking at the Data for both the North and South device. More data to be announced at the next meeting, overall – it seems to be having a positive impact on the overall speed of drivers entering the village.</p> <p>7.5 S106 Funding – 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 – Waiting for the MK city plan to become a policy document, our own plan is ready to be submitted once the Policy Document is available. The funds going forward for NHP will not be given to Parishes, therefore SPC will have to make provisions for this in their budget to guarantee that the Village has sufficient funds for this.</p> <p>7.7 SHERINGTON FEAST – 50th year anniversary is on the 24/09/27, this is included in the Sherington Budget however the Parish Council is asking for a committee to come forward to help plan this event.</p>	Clerk



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8	<p>FINANCE</p> <p>8.1 REVIEW MONTHLY BALANCES - All agreed / signed 8.2 APPROVE INVOICES FOR PAYMENT – All agreed / signed 8.3 BUDGET 26/27 - The Sherington Precept has increased by 20% year on year; this is an increase of £7800 overall and takes the total budget from £39,000 to £46800.</p> <p>The main reason for the increase is to ensure that Sherington Parish Council can save £7500 a year to cover the NHP which is estimated to cost a total of £40k-£45k and will need to be completed in the next 7 years.</p> <p>The other overall factors of the increase are listed below: -Utilities are increasing by 5-10% in some cases year on year. -SLCC training for the Clerk, training courses for the Clerk and pay rises in line with minimum wages. -Mowing costs to ensure the village remain in a tidy state place. -Defib costs of £300 per year but an initial cost of £1200 to set up and replace the whole unit. - Village Events such as the Family Fun Day in August and the Sherington Feast.</p> <p>The budget is now published on the website.</p>	SPC / CLERK
9	<p>RECEIVE CLERKS REPORT</p> <p>-Defib is due to be fitted in the next two weeks, the defib has been paid for and is on it's way to the Clerk – this will be fitted ASAP. -The No Dogs allowed signs have been placed around both Village Parks, this has reduced the amount of dogs seen off lead around the Parks / playing fields, however there are still a few culprits. -Goal Posts need painting and the Grass needs reseeding in certain areas along the Pavillion Pitch. -We need to improve the Quality of the Pitch so that we can increase revenue. At present it can't be played on more than twice a week. -Thank you to the Parish Council for helping to sponsor some of the Colour Run, £800 was give of which some of the monies came from the Youth Club funds (£550) we were given and some from the Parish Council directly (£250). The Colour Run raised an estimated £5000 which will be split between the PTFA (Sherington School), CoppaFeel and Type 1 Diabetes Charity. -Sherington Parish Council are looking into organising a Family Fun Day at the Pavillion in the August Bank holiday, we are considering raising monies for MND. Further information to follow in the coming weeks.</p>	SPC / CLERK



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10	<p>NEW STANDING ORDERS AND FINANCIAL REGULATIONS</p> <p>- None this month.</p>	CLERK
11	<p>NEW PLANNING APPLICATIONS</p> <p>-All approved.</p>	SPC
12	<p>CONSIDER CORRESPONDENCE AND NEW CONSULTATIONS</p> <p>-We are very pleased to report that the Parish Councillor's nomination of Stephen Kennedy for the Bucks Lord Lieutenants award for voluntary community work was successful, and that Stephen received the honour of an invitation to the Kings Garden Party.</p> <p>-Stephen has written to the Parish Council to say that he and Helen enjoyed a wonderful day at Buckingham Palace on 06 May.</p>	SPC
13	<p>EXTERNAL MEETINGS –</p> <p>-The Chair has a meeting relating to the planning application at Arbour House with a member of the public.</p>	SPC
14	<p>COUNCILLORS ITEMS</p> <p>-The Pavillion is being loaned out to the Village on the 08/08 for a Sherington Camps out camping trip, arranged by the PTFA at Sherington School.</p> <p>-An order has been placed for the Cracked inspection chamber to be replaced, an order has been placed by SPC and it should be replaced once arrived.</p>	SPC
15	<p>RECEIVE PUBLIC COMMENT</p> <p>-The Sids were discussed and the data that's being collated.</p> <p>-Suggestion was put forward that the village get together to do more things like group litter picking and the village ditches.</p> <p>-Questions were asked regarding the Gun Lane site and the conditions that were placed upon the residents. Resident asked if the occupiers have breached their planning conditions.</p>	SPC
16	<p>DATE OF NEXT MEETING – 9th June 7:30pm</p>	SPC

Meeting Ended: 8:12pm



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Schedule of payments and bank balances MAY

Date 12.05.2026	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			
DEFIB	£972.82			
STONE COPS MOWER	£241.30			
ZURICH YEARLY	£1550.91			
COLOUR RUN	£798.77			
BRIGHT SHINE	£28.00			
Salaries	£965.42			
HMRC	£330.22			
TOTAL	£5072.43			

Account balances

Current account	£18,878.70			
Savings Account	£31,109.03			
Precept	£46,800			

2026/202 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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