

Minutes of meeting

3rd July 2023

Present	Apologies
Kevin Fisher	Andrew Snowden
Claire Walker	Roger Ogle
Cathy Thompson	Liz Elstone
Brian Parker	Suresh Gattapur
Keith Williams	Rose Llewellyn
Jeffrey & Ritva Bamforth	
Guest: Juno Ali (Last 15minutes)	

Meeting held at Lower Shaw Farm @ 20:00

The Chair welcomed all present.

1. Previous Minutes

The Minutes were accepted as a fair record of the meeting.

Proposed by Cathy Thompson, Seconded by Keith Williams.

2. Litter Picking

This last Saturday, Andrew Snowden managed to speak to the new Village Inn Land Lady, Imogen. She is both happy for SRA members participating in our scheduled litter pick to receive a free tea/coffee afterwards and for us to leave our filled litter bags at the rear of the pub for the WSPC to collect.

3. Shaw Village Centre

The WSPC have made a start with tidying up the Village Centre. The uneven block paving around the circular bench has been repaired, although not particularly well and there is still no news as to when the new bench that has remained in storage for quite a while, will be replaced.

Hopefully we will have some news in the Autumn as to when the raised beds by the clocktower will be refurbished.

Richard James Estate Agents to be approached to see if they would sponsor the empty flowers bed across from their office.

4. Nissan and Skoda verge parking

New cars have recently returned to the grass verge along the section bordering Mead Way outside their respective garages. This may be coinciding with the new numberplate registrations. Cathy has sent photos to Keith and Suresh.

5. Shaw Forest / River Ray Parkway / Thames Water

Work has now started on sections of the Haydon End sewerage pipe repair. Although at present the River Ray Parkway remains open with no published plans on any cycle route diversion that may be required or dates of closure.

Recent news of Thames Water financial difficulties are unlikely to hold up the process of replacing the damaged section of sewerage pipes.

6. Travellers - Shaw Forest

A group of travellers set up camp in Shaw Forest Park recently, but how did they access the site unless bolt cutters were used? They did not stay long in situ.

7. Mead Way Update

Keith gave us an update on Mead Way saying that the gym end of the new stretch was to be resurfaced. The crossroad section which is seen as an accident black spot is to be refashioned with changed priorities for the lanes.

(Junab Ali Joined the meeting, he is Chair of the WSPC and SBC Cllr for Shaw ward).

8. Grass cutting and Meadows

Jeffrey reported that many of the local paths were overgrown with brambles, Junab reported that the WSPC were aware that areas needed vegetation cutting back.

9. Finances / Sponsors

Most of our members were up to date with their subs.

Richard James Estate Agents had recently updated their sponsorship. Kevin is aware that Rusty Grange Craft Brewery are in the process of buying new premises to Rodbourne, he will contact them re renewal.

10. Land North of Purton Road

3rd Appeal ongoing - No news or date for decision known.

11. Parish Updates

Junab let us know that Council Meeting were in future going out to the local communities allowing local people to feel included. Toohill or Shaw Church may well feature in the future.

AOB

- **Membership - Martyn has left the SRA. How do we encourage new membership? Kevin will speak to Roger.**
- **August Social - Shaw Village Inn? Kevin will send out an email.**
- **Kevin asked the local Cllrs present if all the local streetlights were to be changed to new LED format, as several orange ones remained in the locality. Yes, SBC were still working their way through the Borough.**

Meeting closed 21:05

Next Meeting Monday 4th September 2023