



**9-05-9** It was **RESOLVED** to confirm the **DATES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS** for the year, being the second Thursday of each alternate month starting January of each year or as otherwise designated by the Clerk as it be necessary.

11 July, 12 September, 14 November, 9 January 2025, 13 March 2025

**9-05-10** It was **RESOLVED** to approve the **MINUTES** of the meeting held on 14 March 2024.

**9-05-11** It was **RESOLVED** to confirm that the Council will use the **GENERAL POWER of COMPETENCE**.

The criteria used for determining the power is that the Clerk is qualified and that at least two thirds of the councillors are elected.

**9-05-12** The following **POLICIES** of the Council were reviewed.

**Risk Assessment, Standing Orders, Financial Regulations**

The new Financial Regulations Draft supplied by NALC will be reviewed at the next meeting.

**9-05-13** The council approved the continuation of the Council's **INSURANCE POLICY**, the Clerk confirmed that adequate cover is in place and will be reviewed again prior to renewal in September.

**9-05-14** **ITEMS MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISH TO RAISE** were discussed.

Bench on Shutlanger Road will not be replaced as it will always be in danger of being hit large by vehicles turning into the business premises opposite the old site. A new site was also discussed but the financial cost outweighs the benefit. This will be reviewed again in the future.

The footpath near the above bench is narrowing due to encroachment of foliage etc. The Clerk will report to Highways.

The hedge at the junction of Showsley Road and Main Road is overgrown and in need of some attention. The Clerk will contact the owner.

**9-05-15** The **WARD COUNCILLOR** sent her apologies.

**9-05-16** There were no new **PLANNING APPLICATIONS** to discuss.

**9-05-17** It was **RESOLVED** To approve the **FINANCE REPORT** for the 1 Month to 30 April 2024, and to approve **PAYMENTS** of the attached accounts.

It was **RESOLVED** to update the **ASSET REGISTER** and remove £304 for the bench on Main Road.

**9-05-18** It was **RESOLVED** to approve the **INTERNAL AUDIT REPORT** and agree to submit a **CERTIFICATE of EXEMPTION** in place of submitting the **ANNUAL GOVERNANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY RETURN** to the external auditors and approve Section 1 of the return.

The Exercise of Public Rights will take place between 3 June and 19 July.

**9-05-19** **MEMBERS REGISTER of INTEREST** forms will be checked and any changes submitted to the Clerk.

**9-05-20** To discuss the **CLERKS** requests.

Councillors were reminded that they should use an exclusive Email address for all council business.

It was agreed that the council will accept the offer from the Government to upgrade its website to a .GOV.UK domain.

Inspection of Parish Council Outdoor Assets was undertaken by the Clerk on 8 May, there were no issues to report.

**9-05-22** There were no other **MEETINGS ATTENDED**.

**9-05-23** To review any **CORRESPONDENCE / CONSULTATION DOCUMENTS**.

Email from Stoke Bruerne PC, War Memorial contribution. The council will not be offering to join the working party but would be willing to consider a donation to help with the purchase.

Quotation for new Street Light was discussed and this will be considered at the next meeting.

WNC Local Plan was discussed, and it is hoped that it will get approved and that the proposed site for housing development at the Racecourse remains out of the plan. The statement in the plan regarding the potential development at the racecourse for retail and entertainment ventures was discussed and it was felt by the council and by residents that the wording in the plan is a little ambiguous as to what may be developed. The council will make a submission to WNC regarding their concerns.

Anglian Water proposed upgrade of the mains water system was discussed and it was agreed that Anglian Water must reconsider their planned road closure as this will cause many issues for residents. The Clerk is in discussions with both Anglian Water and Highways regarding any closures and will keep the council updated on any changes.

**9-05-24 FINANCIAL** position for 2025/26 and onwards was discussed and it was agreed that a new review of the Parish Plan would be undertaken. This will be discussed further at the next meeting.

**9-05-25 ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING** on 11 July 2024.

Parish Plan Review.  
New Streetlights.

**9-05-26 Meeting CLOSED** at 8:43.



**John Scott**  
**Clerk to Shutlanger Parish Council**

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**Payments To Be Made**

|               |        |        |       |        |                    |
|---------------|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------------------|
| SSE           | 763640 | 9.73   | 0.49  | 10.22  | Electricity Supply |
| N J Blackwell | 1192   | 148.00 | 29.60 | 177.60 | Grass Cutting      |

**Payments made since the last meeting.**

|        |                    |           |        |       |        |                           |
|--------|--------------------|-----------|--------|-------|--------|---------------------------|
| Apr-24 | ICO                | Z22202368 | 35.00  | -     | 35.00  | Subscription              |
| Apr-24 | N J Blackwell      | 1147      | 127.00 | 25.40 | 152.40 | Grass Cutting             |
| Apr-24 | SSE                | 669843    | 70.81  | 3.54  | 74.35  | Electricity Supply        |
| Apr-24 | Ncalc              | 3726      | 482.42 | 46.40 | 528.82 | Subscription              |
| Apr-24 | SSE                | 652231    | 9.11   | 0.46  | 9.57   | Electricity Supply Feb 24 |
| Apr-24 | Clerk Salary April |           | 347.06 |       | 347.06 | Staff Costs               |
| Apr-24 | HMRC               |           | 48.40  |       | 48.40  | Staff Costs               |

**Council Meetings**

**11 July 2024**

**12 September 2024**

**14 November 2024**

**9 January 2025**

**13 March 2025**