

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING OF SHIPLAKE
PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN SHIPLAKE MEMORIAL HALL ON
WEDNESDAY 24th MAY 2017 at 7.45 P.M.**

1. PRESENT.

Mr Tudor Taylor (Chairman), Mr F Maroudas, Mr D Pheasant, Mr R Curtis, Mr M Leonard, Mr R. Head, and Mr D Bartholomew (CC), and Mr P Harrison(DC) Mr T Wright (Harpsden PC)
An apology for absence was received from, Mr G Davies Mr G Thomas, Mr C Smith
In addition, there were approx. 38 members of the public present.
The Chairman opened the meeting by welcoming the members of the public.

2. MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY APRIL 28th, 2016 The Chairman said that he understood that these minutes had been approved by the Parish Council at their meeting in May 2016 and asked that they be taken as read and be approved. This was accepted by the meeting and unanimously approved on a motion proposed by Mr R Curtis and seconded by Mr R Head.

3. MATTERS ARISING.

None were raised.

4. POLICE MATTERS.

There was no police report, The Chairman commented that the village was a relatively low crime area.

5. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT.

The Chairman, Mr T Taylor then made a presentation of his report, a copy of his full report can be viewed on the village website
The Chairman asked for questions on his report, there were none at this stage.

6. ANNUAL REPORT OF SHIPLAKE, HARPSDEN, DUNSDEN AND PEPPARD SICK POOR FUND.

The chairman discussed the Fund within his presentation.

7. GUEST SPEAKERS

The Chairman introduced Mr Peter Boros Chair of the Neighbourhood Planning Group, who made a presentation of his report, a copy of his full report can also be viewed on the village website

8. OPEN FORUM SESSION.

The Chairman then immediately opened the Open forum session at 8.33 pm to allow questions /comment from the floor .Several residents asked when they would receive the questionnaire, to which PB replied that they were being circulated as quickly as possible target date is 10th June .Mr C Breeze asked if there was any mechanism to gain clarification on the questions e.g. Shiplake Motors the size of the plot and available housing space .PB replied that the person delivering the questionnaire was available for clarification questions or there was a dedicated email address NP@shiplakevillages.com for such questions or as Mr D Pheasant suggested , use the website forum. A resident asked whether infill housing already identified (13) was part of the NP target 33 homes. PB replied that they had been advised by SODC that they were, but this was challenged by Mr P Harrison(DC). PB will follow up. A discussion around the style of housing took place and it was noted that there were very few 0-5year olds in the demographic makeup of the villages, consequently the Primary School and Nursery have a shortage, it was felt that this was very much a temporary situation. Mr F Maroudas asked for clarification on housing density per land space and more information to be made available to residents help them understand the implications of the developments. PB responded by saying that the steering group did not wish to overload residents and Mr D Bartholomew (OCC)commented that land use depended on what style of housing

residents wanted e.g. a 10-acre plot if available could be used for 10 or so very large houses or many more smaller houses.

A question was asked. Who is going to live in the SHH development? The Chairman replied that there would be 4 semidetached houses for sale and the remainder of the development would be accommodation for over 55 's. Mr C Breeze asked if this development would be part of 33 home target. The Chairman said No.

Mr J Jenkins commented on the ageing demographics of the village and was anything being done to encouraging younger residents, he expressed surprise at the school having vacancies. The Chairman commented that the school serves a larger area than the small Shiplake villages.

Mrs L McAlpine asked was anything being done to address the eyesore of the development of the Gables in Station Road and a final question was asked whether Shiplake Motors have offered their site for development PB replied that the owners had agreed for the site to be included in the questionnaire.

Further general discussion took place and the Chairman eventually closed the open forum.

9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There being no further questions or business the Chairman thanked the members of the public for attending and closed the open forum session and meeting at 9.17pm.