Parish Council Meeting held at Hardwick Village Hall on Tuesday 13th October 2015

<u>Present</u>: David Alexander (Chairman), Andrew Penn, Clive Ling, Jeremy Styles and Josephine Murgatroyd (Clerk).

There were no Parishioners present.

Apologies: Jeremy Alexander, Mark Cann and Alison Thomas.

1.Minutes of the last Parish Council Meeting

The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 12th May 2015 were read, confirmed and signed.

2. Matters Arising from the Minutes

a) Highways

The Clerk had contacted Rod Webster about the bridge over the footpath ditch. He had confirmed that he was happy to carry out the job and wanted to commemorate the bridge to his daughter's memory. Mark Cann had spoken to Johnny Burridge and the design had been agreed. The bridge had been recently completed and the Clerk will thank Rod Webster on behalf of the Parish Council. Room Lane, Shelton Spot, Common Road and Port Road had all been resurfaced this summer. A report of a fallen tree on a footpath off Primrose Lane had been reported to the Highways Department. Jeremy Styles said he would speak to the landowner and arrange for it to be cleared. The Clerk had spoken to UK Power Networks about the eroding of the bank on Shelton Spot and the possible impact on the electric cable stays. The Clerk was requested to notify the Highways Department about potholes in Hall Lane, Hardwick.

b) Shelton Sign

The Clerk had spoken to Mark Whitbread about the possible location. There was nothing further to report.

c) Shelton Noticeboard

The Clerk had contacted Mark Whitbread who had repaired the Noticeboard door. He had done this free of charge and the Clerk had thanked him on behalf of the Parish Council.

3. Correspondence

a) South Norfolk District Council

The Chairman outlined the items discussed at a Meeting organised by SNDC. This included a review of Parish boundaries and the possibility of devolution.

b) Norfolk County Council

The Clerk had received confirmation from the NCC about the provision of superfast broadband for the Parish. The cabinet had now been installed and the new service was available once each household had contacted their internet service provider.

c) Miscellaneous

The Clerk had been contacted by a parent concerned about the speed of traffic passing Shelton School. The issue was of concern with both the staff and other parents with efforts being made to enforce the 30mph speed limit. The Parent wanted to know if the PC would support the installation of a flashing speed limit sign. Alison Thomas had also been contacted and had e-mailed the PC about the installation of a flashing 20mph speed sign that only worked when required. She had also reminded the PC about the Parish/Highways Partnership Scheme.

The PC was in agreement that efforts should be made to enforce the 30 mph speed limit, but any financial commitment was dependent upon costings. The Clerk would make enquiries with the Highways Department about what was available and the costs involved. She would then contact the parent with an update.

4. Planning Cases

'Cricket' Field, Alburgh Road, Shelton Hall, Shelton.

The appeal against the refusal of planning permission by SNDC had been rejected by the Planning Inspector.

Shelton One Arm, Shelton

An application for an extension to the house was approved by the PC.

Long Stratton Area Action Plan

There was nothing to report

5. Accounts

Bank Balance £628.37

The second half of the precept had been paid. The Audit had been completed. There had been an error in the figures, which did not affect the totals. This meant the annual return had to be resubmitted incurring an invoice for £25 plus VAT. The Clerk accepted responsibility. The necessary notice had been displayed.

Any payments to village organisations were put over to another Meeting.

6. Meeting Suspended for Public Participation

There was none.

7. Any Other Business

There was none.

8.Date of Next Meeting

This was fixed for Tuesday 5th January 2015 at 7.30pm.

The Meeting closed at 8.30pm

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<u>Cheques</u> :-	Village Hall Hire	£15.00	
	Mazars –Audit Fee	£30.00	
	Replacement cheque	£15.00	