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## **Minutes of the Harringworth & Shotley Annual Parish Open Meeting held at Harringworth Village Hall at 7.30 pm on Thursday May 29<sup>th</sup> 2025**

Present:

Cllr S McLean (Chair); J Dove (Clerk); Mr A White (outgoing Chair)  
35 Members of the public (Parishioners)

### **1. Introduction by the Chair of the Parish Meeting Cllr S McLean**

Cllr McLean explained that the Annual Parish Meeting is required by law and is not a meeting of the Parish Council.

It represents an opportunity for parishioners to put forward their ideas and proposals regarding the village. Other members of the public and the media were allowed to attend but none were present on this occasion.

No Ward Councillors were able to attend as there was a similar meeting being held in Oundle.

### **2. Minutes of the 2024 Harringworth & Shotley Annual Parish Open Meeting & Matters Arising**

There was one matter arising which related to the traffic lights on Wakerley Road which had been installed to protect the badgers. It was confirmed that these had now been removed. No further comments were made on the minutes of the 2024 Parish Open Meeting.

Cllr McLean signed them off as a true and accurate record of that meeting.

### **3. The Annual Report of the Outgoing Chair of Harringworth Parish Council**

This report had previously been circulated on the village website and paper copies were distributed to those attending the meeting.

Mr A White, the outgoing Chair, summarised his report – highlighting disappointment in various departments of NNC – in particular Planning and Highways. He confirmed that a formal complaint was being lodged by the Clerk concerning the lack of response to questions regarding the White Swan pub.

### **4. Questions for the Chair of the Parish Council from Parishioners**

Mr Harry Morgan asked for the names of the new Councillors to be confirmed – these were Mrs P Gasson, Mr H Boon and Mr T Wade. There were no further questions from the floor.

The Chair handed over the meeting to the Chair of the Village Hall Trustees and Chair of the Appeals committee for their respective AGMs.

**The Chair closed the meeting at 7.36pm**

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S Mclean  
Chair  
Date