



Shevington and District Community Association

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Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 29th April 2025

Welcome and introductions

Elaine welcomed everyone to the meeting

Present

Paul Collins; Mike Crosby; Elaine Ellams; Lorna Ellis; Helen Hurst; Laura Koskinas;
Kathy Lamb; Paul Liptrot; Shirley Lusher; Jim Maloney; Carole Miles; Sheila
Milnes; Andrew Moakes; Izzy Morris; Pam Powell; Gill Rigbye; Sarah Stephenson;
John Whiteley; Marlaine Whitham

Apologies

Ira Whiteley

Minutes of the March meeting

Proposed by Jim, seconded by Carole, they were signed as a true record.

King's Award updates

Elaine spoke about the Big Celebration which had been held that day at Gorton Monastery. The crystal was there for all to see; very heavy, & the certificate signed by King Charles, was passed round. It was a memorable day at an interesting historic venue in Manchester.

Library digital notice board

No further update. Working well. No record of how it impacts on attendance at events publicized.

Finances

Helen gave her first report. Copies available on request. There had been two applications for small grants; PPG for refreshments for monthly Veterans meetings and a Men's Health Check at Vicarage Lane in July. Vicarage Lane Community and Recreation Centre, for more permanent signage around the site. Both were approved by all.

District Councillors' report

A meeting has been arranged about the drainage issues at Gathurst Station. Several reported potholes have been dealt with, probably not permanently. There was some discussion about the surprising areas of responsibility re roads around the area of junction 27 between numerous authorities. The memorial tree area at Standish Lower Ground will be improved and the stone plaque raised with a border around. A local resident will maintain the area. The area where Church Lane meets Old Lane/ Wigan Lower Road which is very degraded will be looked at and reported.

Parish Council updates

The annual meeting will take place tomorrow, 6.30pm at the Vicarage Lane site. There will be a posthumous award for clerk Krystyna Pilkington who died earlier in the year. Mr Michael Pots has taken up the role of clerk. Refer to the PC website for further details of the meeting.

Additional updates

Jim is planning a Quiz Night in aid of CA funds and The Hospice on 27th June. Andrew said the application for a defib. from the British Heart Foundation had not been successful, due to the number already in the area.

The allotments Spring Show will be on Saturday 5th April. Donations of cake & raffle prizes are welcomed. The Bowling Green opens on 1st. April.

The Garden Club talk on 14th April will be on cacti and succulents.

Kathy gave dates for events around Easter, including Messy Church on 10th April. A treasure hunt during Friday coffee on 11th and fish & chips followed by a film at Crooke on Saturday 12th. Maundy Thursday communion at Crooke on 17th, meditation at Shevington from 11.45 on Friday 18th and Easter day service at 10.45 on Sunday 20th.

John said the YC continues to support between eight and twenty eight youth. Helen thanked CA for the £250 grant towards Fete 2025

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Helen said a Brighter Borough grant had been used to fund three bleed kits to be kept with the defibs.

Sarah and Laura are seeking information about the history of Stockley Park. Elaine said Age UK and Camerata are hoping to deliver some music sessions later in the year.

The meeting closed at 7.45pm.

Date of next meeting Tuesday 27th May

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