

Shelford Parish Council

**Minutes of the Annual Parish Council meeting of Shelford Parish Council
held on Wednesday 22nd October 2025, 6.00pm, Shelford Village Hall.**

Councillors present: Cllr Bingham (Chair), McLoughlan, Stephens

Officers: Emma Goodman Clerk to the Council

Also present: 41 members of the public and Cllr Roger Upton

- 1) Apologies – Cllr Smith and Miller
 - 2) Declarations of Interest – none
 - 3) Manor Lane - Cllr Bingham addressed the meeting to outline options following the collation of ideas relating to the potential closure of Manor Lane and concerns regarding excessive vehicle speeds through the village. It was noted that closure of Manor Lane could prevent the use of the village as a through route; however, disadvantages would include restricted access for emergency vehicles and residents, as well as potential impacts on surrounding junctions.
 - a) The following suggestions were presented for consideration:
 - i. Increasing the number of passing places on Manor Lane.
 - ii. Installation of improved signage, including “Give Way to Oncoming Traffic” signs.
 - iii. Widening and/or improving the road surface.
 - iv. Reduction of the speed limit.
 - v. Introduction of a one-way system (noting possible increased speeding concerns).
 - vi. Reduction of the village speed limit to 20mph.
 - vii. Installation of speed humps within the village.
 - viii. Periodic manning of a speed camera.
- Cllr Bingham invited comments and discussion from members of the public on the options presented.
- 4) Open Session for members of the public –

Permanent speed camera: It was noted that traffic volume through the village may not meet the criteria for the installation of a permanent speed camera. *Action:* Cllr Bingham to raise the matter at the next Police meeting for further discussion.

Speed reduction: The possibility of reducing the village speed limit to 20mph was discussed. It was suggested that repositioning the existing speed limit signs further out of the village may encourage vehicles to reduce speed before entering residential areas. Concerns were expressed regarding the difficulty of safely exiting driveways, with members noting that a lower speed limit would assist in improving safety.

Speed humps: Various design options were considered. Concerns were raised regarding their potential impact on agricultural vehicles and the associated noise from vehicles passing over them. It was noted that other villages have successfully installed speed humps, although the process is costly and time-consuming. Consideration would be required regarding appropriate locations.

Parking and pedestrian safety: It was observed that vehicles parked along the roadside do not appear to deter speeding. Safety concerns were expressed for pedestrians, particularly children and dog walkers, using pavements and roads in the village.

Closure of Manor Lane: It was noted that closure would result in only a minor diversion for some users following satellite navigation through Shelford. Concerns were raised that closure could adversely affect the viability of the village public house. However, it was also acknowledged that closure could encourage safer walking and cycling within the village. The potential impact on the bus service was also highlighted.

Mobile speed unit: A request was made for more frequent visits by the mobile speed unit, particularly at peak times.

Speed monitoring strips: A request was proposed for Nottinghamshire County Council to install speed monitoring strips to collect data on vehicle volumes and speeds.

Reporting incidents: Residents were encouraged to report all incidents to the Police via 101 in order to assist in building a clearer picture of traffic issues within the village.

Cllr Bingham thanked everyone for their input into the discussion and proposed a vote was taken.

It was proposed to vote for who would prefer to close Manor Lane, if not then agreeing to other traffic calming measures – Yes 11 and No 24

A vote was taken to reducing the speed limit to 20 mph – Yes 33 and No 2

Cllr Upton reported that he would take the actions to Notts CC and feedback any information received.

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5) Date of Next Parish Council Meeting – **Wednesday 26th November 2025**
at 6.00pm

The meeting closed at 8.00pm

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