

01 - 25 Sherford Community Trust Board Member Report for Brixton Parish Council – January 2025

Sherford Community Trust Board Meeting Dec & 10/01/2025

Meeting was Quorate.

December 2024

- Successful XMAS was held on Saturday 14th December. Around 400 people attended.
- Community Heritage evening held on 4th December with around 70 people attending.
- Midwife team planning to vacate the room in the hub towards the end of February.
- Discussion ongoing regarding logistics of Library funding and fit-out of the room for the library space from beginning of April.
- Skills Centre to be discussed again in January in relation to the possible funding from the NHS for the fit-out.

January 2025

- Meeting / Away day held in Devonport
- December meeting minutes were approved.
- Legal Advice received on CLT fee and articles. Meeting to be held with lawyers to clarify a few items.
- Articles signing to be concluded by end of February 2025.
- 5 year finance plan reviewed
- Skills Centre to be rereviewed as possible funding from the NHS for the fit-out may be available.

Events / Future Events

There is also a series of Creative Club events and workshops, catering for all the family and open to anyone to attend.

- 15 February, 10am–12.30pm Create a fused glass sun-catcher with Sheena of Papercutz glass designs
- 15 March, 10am-2pm Spring Crafts
- For more information, future event listings, and booking links, follow @DestinationSherford on Facebook.

Brookbanks Update

- Work continues on the sale agreement for the local centre adjacent to Sherford Vale Primary School Land. Subject to finalising the legal agreements, these are hoped to result in submission of a planning application in Q1 2025 with construction commencing as soon as planning permission is received.
- The temporary shop is now open, although is receiving very few customers. This will be monitored by the operator over the coming months, but if not financially viable will not be sustainable as a longer-term venture.
- Sherford Road traffic calming works It is anticipated that works on the highway will commence from 12th Feb. (Note road closures from Feb to April been communicated)

Grant Applications

Non received

'Away day' discussions

Pivotal year for Trust with following targets

- The full adoption of the new articles and admittance of members.
- The issuing of the first CLF fee invoices for residents/members.
- Identify and have in place database/CRM system to handle members data.
- Update website
- Develop and recruit a more formal staff team.
- Comprehensive communication and engagement plan.
- Holding an AGM with the election of the first two community directors.