

Response from Shenstone Parish Council to: Shenstone Playing Fields (shocking news) notice.

Taking the comments and points made in order:

Shenstone Parish Council (SPC) are merely Custodian Trustee of the Shenstone Playing Field (SPF) and thereby have no managerial rights over their running or management. They have NOT, nor could they, "Given Sutton Rangers FC the use of the SPF".

Full copies of the minutes of all SPC meetings are available to view on the SPC website:

<http://www.shenstone-staffs.gov.uk>

Sutton Rangers FC now play at SPF due to the lessening of use of the facilities by Shenstone Pathfinders. There are no more matches played than before.

Residents and their families will continue to be able to use the site as they always have. In fact, without the support of Sutton Rangers FC and the financial benefit they bring, the playing field was in danger of becoming unsustainable. There are also plans to improve the much used but very tired club house which is close to having to close due to health and safety concerns.

Shenstone Playing Field Management Committee (SPFMC), the charitable body that manages SPF are working hard to maintain and retain the facility for residents and the community but can only do so with substantial financial backing.