

The End Of An Era

My days are numbered as I'm getting old,
Sometime this next year I'll most likely be sold.
But during my time I've given much pleasure
To the many folk of Shipton enjoying their leisure.
All kinds of functions I've seen taking place
But I just can't cope with this modern pace.
Nearly everybody drives and I haven't a park,
This causes great problems when it gets dark,
My facilities are small, my decor is peeling,
Nearly all of my heat ends up by the ceiling.
Many are the things that I've been used for
One time it was dancing on a nice shiny floor,
Now it's all discos with bright flashing lights.
I've also had slide shows, and even films some nights,
Political Party meetings and school parties too.
Here the Parish Council meet for their business to do,
Jumbles, badminton, whist drives and bingo,
Pantomimes, playgroups and Youth Club also.
I once had a balcony but not any more
It's all covered in and used as a store.
As the years have rolled by many changes I've seen
With many housing estates and a new village green,
But the biggest one yet, and maybe the best of them all
Will be when I see our new village hall
Standing out on the field, despite all our fears.
So thanks to you all, don't shed any tears
I've enjoyed every minute through good times and bad,
But when I look back I feel a bit sad
And accept that things change as time passes by,
But I must be replaced everybody knows why.
Thanks for my memories I will miss you all
Please never forget your OLD VILLAGE HALL.

GOODBYE

Jack W.

CANCER RELIEF

On behalf of Cancer Relief we should like to thank everyone who has displayed our collecting boxes in their premises. Shipton Stores are regular contributors and filled their box six times last year!

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