

SWANWICK PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE STATUTORY ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY 16TH JANUARY 2025 at 7.00PM

PRESENT: Cllrs Bailey, Bates, Beavan, Goodier, Grant, Holling, Powis, Vice Chair Tremain, Chair Trewick and Clerk C Miles.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC:

Members of the public listed waived their right to anonymity under the Data Protection Act:

Cllr D. Wilson and J Green

1512 APOLOGIES

None

1513 VARIATION OF ORDER OF BUSINESS

None

1514 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Members were requested to declare any personal or prejudicial interest they may have in any item of the evening's business, and to explain the nature of that interest.

Cllr Bates declared personal interest in item 13.1 and remained in meeting.

1515 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

1515.1 PUBLIC SPEAKING

Cllr D Wilson reported that the Boundary Commission are currently reviewing the boundaries and he would keep us updated when he receives any more information. The **Chair** queried with **Cllr Wilson** if Cllr Rose stepping down from Reform meant he was looking to leave the council and therefore would there be a by-election in our ward, even if the County Council elections didn't happen in May, or if he was now an independent and therefore would still be sitting another year. Cllr Wilson said that Cllr Rose will stay on the council as an independent. **Cllr Holling** asked Cllr Wilson if there was any update on Rowthorne Care Home, the Cllr replied that it was still being looked into and he would report back if he heard anything.

1515.2 MEMBERS' OBSERVATIONS

Cllr Grant asked in future any Christmas lights be tested before installation as some posts stopped working and a set on High Street didn't work/wasn't plugged in, the **Clerk** said that this would be queried and ensured in future years. **Cllr Powis** commented that the village was looking very tidy with less dog bags littering the village. **Cllr Goodier** mentioned that the planted Christmas tree still hadn't been planted, the **Clerk** said that she would try and contact the nursery again for an update. **Cllr Bailey** said that he had complained to DCC about the clearing of debris (leaf litter etc) by the hedge, not the cutting of the hedge on Derby Road South and was pleased to report that they had now been cleared. **Cllr Holling** reported that the field next to the crematorium is going to be light industry.

1515.3 POLICE MATTERS.

The Police sent a report in that they were running an E-Scooters Safety Campaign and had seized 35min our area.

1515.4 REPRESENTATIONS OR EVIDENCE FROM MEMBERS DECLARING A PREJUDICIAL INTEREST

None

1516 MINUTES OF FULL COUNCIL

RESOLVED: The Minutes and Confidential Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held 19th December 2024 were received as a correct account of the meeting. The minutes were approved by all Councillors and signed by the Chair.

1517 CHAIR'S REPORT

1517.1 SCARECROW COMPETITION

The Chair confirmed that the competition will be held in the Steampacket car park in June 2025 and dates were discussed and Cllrs Bailey, Holling and Trewick would get together to decide the next steps.

RESOLVED: To hold the Scarecrow Competition in the Steampacket car park on Sunday 22nd June 2025.

1518 CLERK'S REPORT

The Clerk's report was presented by the Clerk.

1518.1 NEWSLETTER

The Council discussed subjects to be included in the next newsletter and this will be worked on over the next 2 months. Cllr Grant asked if it could be sent out digitally, it was decided to do both a paper version and also put it on Facebook to see how it is received.

1518.2 PRECEPT 2025-26

The Clerk presented the completed Precept 2025-26 form to the Council for signing. It was signed by Cllrs Trewick, Trenear and Holling plus the Clerk and will now be submitted to AVBC.

1519 JUBILEE COMMUNITY HALL

1519.1 TEMPORARY CAR PARK – PHASE TWO

The Clerk submitted the quote from JGS Construction for the phase two works of £18,450.00 plus VAT.

PROPOSED: To authorise the Clerk to accept the JGS quote of £18,450.00 plus VAT.

RESOLVED: To authorise the Clerk to accept the JGS quote of £18,450.00 plus VAT.

The Chair also said that she was in the process of getting the Habitat Management and Monitoring Plan quotes and will hopefully present them at the next meeting.

1519.2 Village Working Group

Cllr Trenear gave a brief update on the group informing that due to the poor response of the previous survey, the group are in the process of a small data capture exercise to get ideas of resident's requirements and so far it is going well and the Chair asked if the questions could be presented to the Council at the next meeting.

1520 SWANWICK RECREATION GROUNDS (CHARITY NO. 520525)

1520.1 RECREATION GROUNDS UPDATE

1520.1.1 CHANGING ROOMS

The demolition has now been completed and the area is looking much better. The Clerk will obtain a new lock for the gate and with keys will be provided to allow access if required but the Council will look into issuing written agreements.

1520.2 COMMUNITY GARDEN

The Chair and Cllr Goodier will provide the Clerk with what wording they require on the sign so that a quote can be obtained.

1521 STAN BREWSTER MEMORIAL GARDEN

1521.1 UPDATE

Cllr Goodier reported that the bulbs are starting to come through and she is in processing of obtaining 3 quotes from landscape gardeners and a jet washing contractor and will submit them at the next meeting.

1521.2 SCHEDULE OF WORKS

The Chair and Cllr Goodier will look at the planting of wildflowers in the spring.

1522 PLANNING MATTERS

1522.1 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

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Our Ref: AVA/2025/0009 Proposal: Rear extension

Location: 96 Hickton Road Swanwick Alfreton Derbyshire DE55 1AG

1522.1.2 DECISIONS

Our Ref: AVA/2024/0807 Proposal: Replacement garage

Location: 88 Hickton Road Swanwick Alfreton Derbyshire DE55 1AG – **PERMITTED**

1523 CORRESPONDENCE AND CIRCULARS

1523.1 Noted

1524 ACCOUNTS

1524.1 **RESOLVED: TO APPROVE URGENT PAYMENTS** All voted in favour.

Date	Payable To	Reason	Amount
04.12.24	DALC	Chair Skills Course - A Trenear	£50.00
04.12.24	Grasstrack	Inv 1169 Ground Maintenance Nov 2024	£1030.01
04.12.24	Grasstrack	Inv 1159 Christmas tree installation	£84.00
04.12.24	Grasstrack	Inv 1160 Refill 2 grit bins	£48.00
04.12.24	Grasstrack	Inv 1161 Transport 1 set posts to compound	£72.00
09.12.24	St. Andrews Church	Contribution to Civic Service 2024 costs	£86.00
11.12.24	PC Website	Community Package 2025	£500.00
16.12.24	AB Builders	Derby Road site fence repair	£75.00
20.12.24	Crich Brass Band	Civic Service 2024	£200.00
30.12.24	Virgin Money	Bank charges Nov 2024	£10.70
30.12.24	O2	Clerks phone 27.12.24 to 26.01.25	<u>£17.32</u>

Total

£2,173.03

1524.2 RESOLVED: TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING PAYMENTS All voted in favour.

To Whom Payable	Reason	Amount
Staff Salaries	Mth 10 Salaries	£3,009.99
HMRC	Mth 10 Employee-er Tax & NI	£612.71
Nest	Mth 10 Pension Contribution	<u>£244.30</u>
Total		£3,867.00

1524.3 INCOME RECEIVED

Noted			Amount
Date	Remittance	Source	
10.12.24	BACS	The Steampacket Christmas lights contribution	<u>£150.00</u>
Total			£150.00

1525 BANK RECONCILIATION

Noted:

Opening Balance 01.04.2024	£723,257.15	
Receipts to 30.12.2024	£198,508.86	
Sub Total		£921,766.01
Payments to 30.12.2024	£115,885.83	
Unpresented cheques	£0.00	
Sub Total		£115,885.83
Closing Balance 30.12.2024		£805,880.18
Bank Balance 30.12.2024		£805,880.18

1526 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

None

1527 ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

None

1528 NEXT MEETING

The date for the next Parish Council Meeting is the 20th February 2025 at 7pm at the Meeting Room to the rear of the Baptist Church, Derby Road, Swanwick, DE55 1BG.

Meeting closed at 8.20pm

Signed: *A Trenear*

Date: 20th February 2025