

**SWANWICK PARISH COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING  
THURSDAY 18 DECEMBER 2014**

Present: Cllrs Soudah, King, Barnett, Briggs, Hardwick, Payne

1 Member of the Public

**92/2015 APOLOGIES**

Councillors Dale, Fretwell, D Staton & P Staton,

**93/2015 VARIATION OF ORDER OF BUSINESS**

None

**94/2015 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllr Barnett declared an interest in Item 12.2. Accounts payable.

**95/2015 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

**95.2015. 1 Public Speaking**

None

**Members Observations**

The member of the public has submitted 3 comments about the local plan. He feels that it is critical that Swanwick submits their Neighbourhood plan prior to the AVBC Local Plan being published.

Cllr Payne queried a new build on Mill Close – this has received planning permission.

Cllr Briggs reported the lighting column Christmas decoration near to 158 Derby Road as not being lit – this would be reported. He has also received comments about the 'spread' of the Christmas decoration scheme, and would ask that it be reviewed for next year. The clerk explained that the scheme was set out a few years ago, using the metal columns in the village (concrete columns cannot be used), however since this there has been a lot of replacement columns installed and this would be reviewed by the Environment Committee.

Cllr Briggs also spoke about the accident on Derby Road – tree fallen on a vehicle, road closed, minor injuries.

Cllr Barnett informed the meeting that police has been advising motorist regarding parking.

Cllr Payne reported that there have been a few opportunist burglaries in the village recently.

**95.2015.2 Police/Crime Prevention**

No police present, the clerk would try and gain information regarding the above mentioned accident.

**95.2015.3 Representations or Evidence from Members Declaring a Prejudicial Interest**

None

**96/2015 MINUTES OF FULL COUNCIL HELD 20 NOVEMBER 2014  
RESOLVED:**

That the Minutes of Full Council held on 20 November 2014 be received.

## **97/2015 PLANNING MATTERS**

### **97.2015.1 Planning Applications:**

None

### **97.2015.2 Planning Decisions:**

AVA/2014/0940 Proposed single storey extension for residential use at 1 Park Drive Swanwick – permitted

### **97.2015.3 THE LOCAL PLAN – further proposed changes to the submitted Core Strategy (PART 1 THE AMBER VALLEY BOROUGH LOCAL PLAN) response by 8 December 2014.**

Swanwick Parish Council have responded exclusively on Lily Street, the priority at AVBC changed overnight, what excluded the site, was then reversed to include the site. AVBC met on 15 October and DCC on 25 October to discuss. Although the public were not aware of the decision at ACBC until 6.30pm on the evening of the meeting.

### **97.2015.4 Lily Street Farm Consultation event** 10 November at The Old School House

An application as not yet been submitted for this site.

**97.2015.4 AVA/2013/0891** Outline application with all matters reserved for the redevelopment of part of Asher Land Business Park to provide up to 80 residential dwelling incorporating open space, access and landscaping (Plots 47-54 are proposed with the Green Belt, this aspects represents a Departure from the Adopted Development Plan. Further representations have been made regarding new documentation.

### **97.2015.5 AVA/2011/1199 – Land East of Derby Road – Crematorium and Burial Ground site** –signage now up, and it has been painted. Traffic can turn right out of the site.

The Council has sent letters to AVBC and DCC regarding enforcement issues: Planning condition No 10. An acknowledgement has been received from AVBC.

## **98/2015 PARISH POLLS**

A parish poll is another way that a member of the public can seek action, the number requesting action must be around 60. This is probably more pertinent to areas without a parish council.

Swanwick need to respond to this proposed change.

## **99/2015 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

### **99.2015.1 Progress**

The Chairman of the Council is very aware of the lack of action regarding neighbourhood plan. He has contacted our consultant who is able to work with us and help produce a document to send out.

The Design Principles need to be clear if they are to influence the Local Plan, arrangements have been made for a further 5/6 days of support for this work. The Chairman has also contacted AVBC for maps and plans.

This draft for submission needs to be finalised prior to the AVBC Local Plan recommencing in February, if our plan is submitted it may help to influence the AVBC Local Plan. It is thought that the plan that is adopted

first take priority until the Local Plan takes effect, if our NHP is submitted this will clarify this point.

### **100/2015 CLERK'S REPORT**

#### **100.2015.1 Have Your Say in Heanor – 14 January 2015.**

#### **100.2015.2 Review of Councillors Allowance**

The Chairman is the only Councillor to receive an allowance currently, however it was felt that the allowances should be reviewed.

#### **RESOLVED:**

To request that the Councillor Allowances are reviewed.

#### **100.2015.3 AVBC – code of conduct complaints –** was noted.

**100.2015.4 Civic and Community Carol Service** - a good service, well attended, the churchwardens have requested a list of guests for the reserved seats for next year. There was also discussion about the protocol for the procession, the clerk would contact the Mayors Officer at AVBC for some advice on this, the clerk would enquire about the collection taken at the service, Cllr Payne wished it to go to Air Ambulance.

The Chairman thanked Cllr Payne and the Clerk for the work put into the Carol Service.

Cllr King mentioned the badly lit step when entering the Old School House from The Green – the clerk would contact The Trustees about this.

**100.2015.5 Christmas Lighting** – very good this year, the scheme to be reviewed as per previous comments.

**100.2015.6 Co-Option of Councillor** – Cllr Dale introduced Bruce Adams at the last meeting, the clerk would follow this up.

### **101/2015 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

The Chairman's Report was received. Cllr Soudah is disappointed with the response from Simon Gladwin at AVBC, an email has been received requesting a lot of information before considering our proposals. We still need the go ahead from DCC Highways, we might consider a change in the layout of the road.

The Social Club on High Street is falling into disrepair, the group are now meeting at the Old School House.

Whole Council elections at AVBC are being considered, there is an option to extend their term Section 53(4). DALC advice would be sought on this. An email response has been received from AVBC, whereby the parish might have an election in 2015 and then again in 2016 in line with AVBC proposals.

### **102/2015 CIRCULARS & CORRESPONDENCE** were received.

#### **RESOLVED;**

To implement the Annual Salary Awards as Circular 26/2014 changes are appropriate.

### **103/2015 ACCOUNTS**

#### **103.2015.1 To approve urgent payments made to the following:**

Date	Cheque No	To Whom Payable	Reason	Amount £
27.11.2014	003407	R Lodge	Groundwork to Christmas decs	200.00
4.12.2014	003408	Caretaker	Wages	1254.46
4.12.2014	003409	New Leaf landscapes	Winter bedding 2150, Christmas tree 725.00	2875.00

11.12.2014	003410	Crich Brass	Carol concert	120.00
11.12.2014	003411	S Leighton	Nov sal 903.15, post 22.80, stationery 33.80, mileage 52.44	1012.19
			<b>TOTAL</b>	5461.65

That the urgent payments be approved.

**103.2015.2** To approve payments to the following:

Date	Cheque No	To Whom Payable	Reason	Amount £
18.12.2014	003412	New Leaf landscapes	Contract Payment 8	1121.00
18.12.2014	003413	St Andrews Church Swanwick	Floodlighting annual maintenance 74.75, one off contribution 302.01	376.76
18.12.2014	003414	Iansprint	Newsletters	100.00
18.12.2014	003415	Leisure Lites	Christmas lighting repairs, works, splitters, installation	12,963.30
18.12.2014	003416	M Barnett	Memorial garden honorarium	80.00
			<b>TOTAL</b>	14,641.06

**103.2015.3** Income received since last meeting: Nil

**103.2015.4** Bank Reconciliation – Was received

**104/2015 PRESS RELEASE & WEBSITE INFORMATION ARISING FROM MEETING**

Cllr King commented that when looking at Swanwick Parish Council's website and comparing to others, ours is very good and informative.

**105/2015 CONFIDENTIAL SESSSION**

**Caretakers Bonus**

**RESOLVED:** To award the caretaker a bonus of £150.00 and also send a letter of thanks from the Council

Meeting Closed at 8.45pm