

**SWANWICK PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY 18TH JANUARY 2024 at 7.00PM**

Present: Cllrs Bates, Goodier, Grant, Tremain, 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 (left at 7.09pm), J Briggs, K Morden and R Cook.

1322 APOLOGIES

Cllr Beavan

1323 VARIATION OF ORDER OF BUSINESS

None

1324 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 Trewick declared personal interest in item 12.2 and remained in meeting.

1325 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

1325.1 Public Speaking

Cllr Wilson commented that recent weather causing the area problems. Residents should report pot holes directly to DCC either by phone or online portal. **Cllr Trewick** asked for an update on the drain flooding in the area, **Cllr Wilson** said he would like a list of the problem area from Cllr Trewick. **JB** reported that there has been no improvement of vehicles speeding etc on Derby Road. Due to wind damaging the roof of the Butterley corner property, the road from Ripley is currently closed and no bus running up Derby Road which is causing problems for residents that rely on it. The Clerk will contact Trentbarton for an update.

1325.2 Members' Observations

None

1325.3 POLICE MATTERS

None

1325.4 REPRESENTATIONS OR EVIDENCE FROM MEMBERS DECLARING A PREJUDICIAL INTEREST

None

1326 MINUTES OF FULL COUNCIL

RESOLVED:

Minutes of the Full Council Minutes of meeting held 21st December 2023 were received as correct account of the meeting. The minutes were approved by all Councillors and signed by the Chair.

1327 PLANNING MATTERS

1327.1 Planning Applications

The Clerk reported that a TPO order has been placed on a tree at 7 Gordon Road.

1328 CLERK'S REPORT

The Clerk's report was presented by the Clerk.

1328.1 Derby Road Bench

The Contractor is waiting for permission from DCC to install the bench.

1328.2 Precept 2024-24

The Clerk presented the completed form to the Council for signing and it will then be submitted to AVBC.

1328.3 Garden Maintenance Contract 2024-26

The Clerk informed the Council that the current contract is up for renewal at the end of May and will place a notice to tender on the website and Facebook. Llr Goodier will look into plant suppliers for the coming year.

1328.4 Shirley Road Allotment Dispute update

The Clerk reported that the solicitor had said all outstanding monies should be paid in the next week. The Clerk will confirm this at the next meeting.

1328.5 Nether Close Allotments

The Clerk reported that some tenants were not happy with the £2.50 yearly increase and are demanding to know why it has increased by 14.5%. The Council agreed that this was due to more work and tidying was needed at this site as it had been neglected over the last few years but if tenants not happy then the lease would not be renewed and the plots could become available for others.

1329 CHAIR’S REPORT

The Chair said all matters to be discussed already on the agenda.

1330 Jubilee Community Hall

No meeting of the Working Group.

1330.1 Jubilee Hall Village Survey

The survey was delivered to 2441 homes and 176 (7.2%) were returned Residents in favour of a village hall: 86 Residents not in favour : 87 Residents unsure : 3. The Council discussed the next move it was agreed to look at extending the temporary car park with possibly a grassed area to tidy the area up. The Clerk will get prices for installing a fence at the rear of the property. The project needs a working group reinstating help with business plan, funding etc. the Chair asked Cllrs Goodier and Trenear if they would be part of the group.

1331 Swanwick Recreation Ground (Charity No. 520525)

1331.1 Charity Commission Annual Return 2023

The Annual Return of the Charity has been prepared and submitted. If income is under £10,000 the Charity only needs to report income and spending. This is set out in the table below:-

Expenditure (ex VAT)		£7,639.19
Receipts		
Boot FC Pitch Rental	£360.00	
Swanwick Scout Group land rent	£10.00	
FF Goals and Nets Grant	£1,806.00	
Sub Total Receipts		£2,176.00
Net Expenditure		£5,463.19

1331.2 Deeds Update

Land Registry have requested more information and the solicitors have gone back to AVBC for this.

1331.3 Recreation Ground update

The Clerk updated the Council.

1331.4 Community Garden

The Chair reported that the flailing has not been done due to the weather but it will be as soon possible. The Chair then requested that the gardening Contractors started to mow a path around the planters and weed them on a monthly basis. It was also discussed about siting a bench and information signage.

1332 Correspondence & Circulars

1332.1 Noted

1332.2 Noted

1332.3 Noted

1333 Accounts

1333.1 RESOLVED: To approve urgent payments

Date	Payable To	Reason	Amount
13.12.23	St. Andrews	Contribution to Civic costs & Order of Service	£70.00
22.12.23	Crich Band	Civic Service 2023	£180.00
22.12.23	Grasstrack	Inv 0952 Cut back village hall site	£180.00
22.12.23	Grasstrack	Inv 0953 Erect barrier for Christmas tree	£72.00
22.12.23	Grasstrack	Inv 0962 Ground Maintenance Nov 2023	£900.00
22.12.23	Grasstrack	Inv 0963 Pitch Maintenance Nov 2023	£108.00
22.12.23	Grasstrack	Inv 0973 Ground Maintenance Dec 2023	£900.00
22.12.23	Grasstrack	Inv 0974 Pitch Maintenance Dec 2023	£108.00
29.12.23	Virgin Money	Bank charges Nov 2023	£10.70
02.01.24	Sainsbury’s	S Evans thank you gift	£34.50
02.01.24	Toolstation	Changing rooms spare keys	£14.00
02.01.24	O2	Clerks phone 27.11.23 to 26.12.23	<u>£15.48</u>
Total			£2592.68

1333.2 RESOLVED: To approve the following payment

A Trewick	Chair's Allowance 2nd half year	£400.00
Clerk	Working from home exp's 2023	£300.00
LITE	Christmas lights 2023	<u>£12126.00</u>
Total		£12826.00

1333.3 Income Received**Noted**

Date	Remittance	Source	Amount
04.12.23	BANK	Virgin Money Cashback	£0.12
15.12.23	CASH	Steampacket Xmas Lights Contribution	£150.00
04.12.23	BANK	Virgin Money Cashback	<u>£0.27</u>
Total			£150.39

1334 Bank Reconciliation**Noted:**

Opening Balance 01.04.2023	£656,537.26	
Receipts to 02.01.2024	£201,471.94	
Sub Total		£858,009.20
Payments to 02.01.2024	£111,174.89	
Unpresented cheques	£0.00	
Sub Total		£111,174.89
Closing Balance 02.01.2024		£746,834.31
Bank Balance 02.01.2024		£746,834.31

1335 Exclusion of Press & Public

None

1336 Items for the next agenda**1336.1 Newsletter****1336.2 Christmas Tree**

1337 Date of Next Meeting: 15th February 2024 at 7pm at the Meeting Room at the rear of the Baptist Church, Derby Road, Swanwick, DE55 1BG.

Meeting closed at 8.25pm

Signed: *A Trewick*Date: 15th February 2024