

**SWANWICK PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY 16 APRIL 2015**

Present: Cllrs Soudah, King, Adams, Barnett, Dale, Fretwell, Hardwick, Payne, D Staton, P Staton
4 Members of the Public

151/2015 APOLOGIES

Councillor Briggs

152/2015 VARIATION OF ORDER OF BUSINESS

None

153/2015 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

154/2015 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

154.2015. 1 Public Speaking

1. A gentleman said that the draft Neighbourhood Plan document is an excellent document, a lot of work has gone into it, by residents' and parish council, all have played an important part in the future of planning the local area. The AVBC Core Strategy was suspended in May 2014, and landowners and developers are seizing the opportunities, there will be Lily Street Farm, DCC Solar Panel Farm, Crematorium and Owen Taylor's development. AVBC are in chaos, nothing will stop developers unless local people do it.

Cllr Hardwick thanked the resident for all of his hard work and expertise in putting the plan together.

Members Observations:

1. Cllr Adams – The Steampacket are hoping to hold a Real Ale event on 17,18,19 July, there will be stalls etc, the potential to involve some of the village groups. Cllr Adams would liaise with Cllr Payne.

2. Cllr Barnett- There is a problem with people parking on Orchard Crescent at School Time and also delivery people who are walking through to Western Avenue. This should be passed to Futures Homescapes as these are their properties and some kind of signage/permit could be introduced.

The Orchard Crescent sign is also in need of repair/replacement.

3. Cllr Hardwick – Thanked his fellow councillors and the clerk for making his time with the Council a good one, and he is sorry to leave.

4. Cllr Payne – There is more issues with dog fouling in the 'jitty' from The Green to Butterfield Crescent and requested more signage.

5. Cllr Fretwell spoke about the new village hall.

6. Cllr D Staton – Spoke about the eight happy years she has served the Council and mentioned the sculpture still in construction, she also wished every success to the Council for the future.

7. Cllr P Staton – Said that he remembered enjoyable times over the past 24 years.

8. Cllr Soudah reminded all retiring councillors that their last day will be 11 May 2015.

154.2015.2 Police/Crime Prevention

154.2015.3 Representations or Evidence from Members Declaring a Prejudicial Interest

None

155/2015 MINUTES OF FULL COUNCIL HELD 19 MARCH 2015

Cllr Soudah reminded all Councillors that Minutes should be noted and checked carefully, as Minutes of January meeting were not adequately recorded.

RESOLVED:

That the Minutes of Full Council held on 19 March 2015 be received.

156/2015 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

156.2015.1 Progress Report

Cllr Soudah update the Council on the neighbourhood plan, this is now in pre submission draft stage and two drop in sessions have been held, these have been relatively well attended, and comments are still being received on these. The next drop in session is on 23 April and there will also be a display at the well dressings.

157/2015 CLERK'S REPORT

157.2015.1 Heanor & Loscoe Town Council Civic Reception 23.4.2015

RESOLVED:

That Councillor King would attend this.

157.2015.2 MH-P Free makeover of website – when our website has been live for 5 years, we will receive a free makeover of our website, as long as we commit for a further five years, more information will be available nearer the time.

157.2015.3 Accountability and Transparency Legislation April 2015- this legislation means that more information needs to be provided from 1 July 2015, i.e. the supporting papers to agendas and so on.

157.2015.4 Newsletter Sponsorship – Mr Tamber approached the Council to sponsor the newsletter, in return for an advert, an invoice has been sent to him for £100.00. This may be something that we look at in more depth for the future editions.

157.2015.5 Request by Cricket Club for the residual grant award
The cricket club has requested the residual grant money to help with transportation and painting costs of the storage containers.

RESOLVED:

To pay the balance of the grant award of £152.50 (total £250.00)

157.2015.6 DALC Free Audit Training 28.4.2015

RESOLVED:

To allow the Clerk to attend the free training.

157/2015.7 DALC Subscription 2015/2016

There are two levels of training, (£718.41 & 848.41) the higher level allows much more training to be accessed, given the number of new councillors anticipated then the clerk advised that the higher level would be more cost effective.

RESOLVED:

To pay the higher level of subscription of £848.41 and monitor the level of take up of training available to ensure that the PC gets value for money from the higher subscription.

157.2015.8 Request for support by Lisa Pritchard regarding Save Derbyshire School Crossing Patrols.

After some discussion the Parish Council was clear that it cannot take over responsibility for service provided by higher authorities affected by cuts in budgets. Schools will have to make the case for crossing patrols particularly where there are no pedestrian crossings or traffic light facilities on the public highway. A letter of support will be sent.

158/2015 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chairman's Report was received.

159/2015 VILLAGE HALL PROJECT (update)

Cllr Soudah presented a report to update the Council on the application for borrowing approval. The confidential report and minutes of the meeting 15th January 2015 were sent as supporting evidence with the application for borrowing approval submitted through DALC to the Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG).

The minutes were scrutinised by DALC and forwarded to DCLG. The reply received from DCLG indicated that the minutes of 15th January 2015 have not adequately recorded the full resolution set out in the Confidential Report and in particular the Full Council's resolution to take out borrowing or apply for borrowing approval. It is clear this is an administrative oversight. Cllr Fretwell suggested that future agendas should include an item to cover 'matters arising' although this would not have addressed this issue.

RESOLVED:

1. To confirm that it considered the full report with all the financial considerations at its meeting on 15 January 2015; and
2. That it resolved to
 - a. Approve the purchase of the site outlined in Appendix 2 for the sum of £500,000.
 - b. Authorise the Clerk to instruct solicitors and other advisors to make a formal offer to purchase the site.
 - c. Approve the decision to borrow the amount of £500,000 to meet the purchase price.
 - d. Approve the decision to apply for a loan for the full £500,000 from the United Kingdom Debt Management Office (Public Works Loan Board) to complete the purchase by March 2015.
 - e. Approve that the Clerk and Chair are instructed to apply for a fixed rate loan repayable by EIP (equal instalment of principal) over a period of 50 years.
 - f. Approve that a letter of intent to purchase is sent to the Directors of JW Andrews (Builders) Ltd through the Council's solicitors.
3. To approve the minutes of this meeting, which include the relevant resolution, are accepted by email and subsequently be sent to DCLG

with immediate effect to satisfy the requirement set out in paragraph 18 of the Guide to Parish Borrowing.

160/2015 PLANNING MATTERS

160.2015.1 Planning Applications:

AVA/2015/0196 Take down existing outbuilding and conservatory and provide new extension for family room, utility room, wc and playroom in roof space. Construct detached garden room at 156 Derby Road Swanwick (see attached comments). – objections as per comments received, i.e. lack of consultation, overshadowing, detrimental impact on neighbouring properties, a great departure from original bungalow, excessively high roof, heavy plant on a shared private road, Swanwick fault may cause properties close by to be at risk.

AVA/2015/0815 Two storey dwellinghouse (This is a Departure to the Development Plan) at 55 Derby Road Swanwick – objections as per correspondence received – overlooking/overshadowing of adjacent land, extra vehicular movements onto a very busy road junction.

AVA/2015/0118 New shop front : move door, smaller window with shutter for extra security and two generators on side of shop for chillers in store at Spar Stores, 70 Derby Road Swanwick – no objections

AVA/2015/0114 Proposed residential development for up to 45 dwellings at additional land in applicants ownership (This is a Departure from the Adopted Development Plan at Land at Sleetmoor Lane Swanwick - Objections - The parish council would liaise with Swanwick Residents Association regarding the objections to be put forward.

160.2015.2 Planning Decisions:

Planning Decision Notices:

AVA/2014/1138 Demolition of existing property and redevelopment of site for the erection of one detached dwelling and garaging at 237 Sleetmoor Lane Swanwick - PERMITTED

AVA/2015/0019 Proposed single storey and rear extension at 15 Brackendale Road Swanwick - PERMITTED

AVA/2015/0075 Erect 2 storey side extension with new screen walls, provide access for off street parking at 7 Horton Close Swanwick – PERMITTED

160.2015.3 THE LOCAL PLAN (Core Strategy)

Part 1 of the Amber Valey Borough Council Local Plan – is still in suspension, and there is no sign at this time when it will reconvene.

160.2015.4 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 - still part of the proposals for the Core Strategy.

161/2015 CIRCULARS & CORRESPONDENCE were received.

162/2015 ACCOUNTS

162.2015.1 To approve urgent payments made to the following:

Date	Cheque No	To Whom Payable	Reason	Amount £
3.4.2015	003436	R Lodge	Newsletter delivery	75.00
7.4.2015	003437	Caretaker	Wages	1226.82
			TOTAL	1301.82

RESOLVED: That the urgent payments be approved.

162.2015.2 To approve payments to the following:

Date	Cheque No	To Whom Payable	Reason	Amount £
16.4.2015	003438	S A Leighton	Salary	903.15
16.4.2015	003439	DALC	Spring Seminar 26.3.2015	35.00
16.4.2015	003440	MH-P	NHP stuff 36.00, upgrade/downgrade 47.94	83.94
26.4.2015	003441	S A Leighton	Reimburse advert NHP 576.84, postage 65.67 (53 for NHP) car park 0.50, envelopes NHP, NHP supplies 8.38, paper 2.50, paper plates 4.00, ink 55.00.	719.69
			TOTAL	1741.78

162.2015.3 Income received since last meeting: Nil

162.2015.4 Bank Reconciliation & Budget Update– Was received

163/2015 WEBSITE INFORMATION ARISING FROM MEETING

Election information.

Meeting Closed at 8.50pm

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