

SWALCLIFFE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD 27TH NOVEMBER 2023 AT 7.30PM IN SWALCLIFFE VILLAGE HALL

Councillors Present

Steve Gandy (SG) - Chairman
Nicola Borkmann (NB)
Ryan Smith (RS)
Victoria Taylor (VT) – arrived late

Christine Coles - Parish Clerk

23/100. Apologies

Cllr Collett (personal), Cllr Hodkinson (personal) and Cllr Warrington (personal)

23/101. Declarations of Interest

No interests were declared.

23/102a. To approve the minutes of the meetings held on 27TH September and 16TH October 2023

The minutes of the meetings were approved and signed.

23/102b. To note any matters arising from the minutes not included on this agenda

Governance Project - There is no update on whether other village halls have become a CIO.

Strimming of Park Lane – The school strimmed Park Lane to keep access to the school wall clear.

Bottom VAS - The sign is not working. Colin Hill has the key to have a look at the sign.

Hedge in front of Jesters – A letter was sent to the owner and the hedge has been cut.

23/103. Public Participation Session

There were no members of the public present.

23/104. To receive an update on the Environmental Plan

Work will start in April.

Action: Cllr Borkmann to advise a budget figure for the work so it can be included when setting the precept in the New Year.

23/105. To discuss arrangements for Christmas

One set of lights are not working. Cllr Smith has a quote to replace the lights. The hall is booked for a party on 17th December 2023. A meeting will be held to discuss arrangements on Wednesday 29th November. The Christmas tree is being collected on 28th November.

23/106. Financial Report

The following payments were approved under statutory powers:

£511.88 to CPA (bark for play area)

£44.99 to Lights4fun (Christmas lights)

£52.80 to ABC Advertising (website back up plan)

To start discussing the precept for 2024/25

Councillors briefly discussed expenditure for next year. Some prices will increase such as mowing and dog bin emptying. Garage rent will increase by 6.3% for 2024.

Action: The Parish Clerk to update the budget sheet and the Chair to circulate a draft precept sheet. The Parish Clerk to email the garage owners.

23/107. To receive an update on planning

- 23/02480/F, Renovation and alterations of existing residential outbuilding to provide residential accommodation ancillary to main dwelling at Swalcliffe Lea House. Supported by PC. Granted by CDC.

23/108. To receive the following correspondence

- CDC, Banbury Vision 2050 – Survey launch 9th November.
Action: The Parish Clerk to ask Cllr Warrington if a village email can be circulated giving details of how to complete the survey.

23/109. To receive Councillors Reports

Salt was ordered via Highways.

Action: The Parish Clerk to check delivery.

23/110. To note next meeting date and time

Monday 8th January 2024 at 7.30pm

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.35pm.