

SWINDON PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 11th JULY 2017
IN SWINDON VILLAGE HALL

Parish Councillors Present:

Peter Allen (Chairman)
John Conmee

Stuart Deakin

Also Present:

Shaun Cullimore (Clerk), Cllr. Clucas, Cllr. Fisher and three members of the public.

17/84 APOLOGIES

Glenn Simpson (Vice Chairman), Frances Hunter.

17/85 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

17/86 ADJOURNMENT FOR PUBLIC SESSION

The Chairman of the Village Hall was present and stated that the set of keys to the Village Hall (discussed at the previous meeting) had been returned.

There followed a discussion of the recent cruiser issues. A resident of Glybridge Gardens stated that he had reported their activity by ringing 101. It was 20 minutes before the telephone was answered. There had been an accident during the cruiser meeting. The Clerk and Cllrs. Conmee and Fisher had met with Simon Ellson of the police. Officer Ellson had reported that the traffic unit would be present in the industrial estate for the next 3-4 weeks. The car involved in the accident had been seized and the driver released pending investigation.

The Police Reform Act 2002 Section 59 gives police officers the right to impound motor vehicles. The owner must pay a fee to have it released. The Road Traffic Action Section 35 states that it is an offence to ignore the directions of a police officer.

There is a Public Spaces Protection Order in force in Cheltenham, primarily to deal with public order offences in the town centre. Cllrs. Clucas and Fisher will investigate having the the Order extended to encompass the activities of the cruisers. This would give the police additional powers to deal with them.

It was pointed out that other counties had taken out injunctions against cruisers. They travel for miles to congregate in Cheltenham and Gloucester.

Cllr. Clucas said she would ask CBC leader to set up a meeting with the Police and Crime Commissioner to (i) ask the police to formally request additional powers under the PSPO, and (ii) ask local site owners to exclude cars from their premises out of hours.

On another topic, complaints were received that the verges and hedges in Wymans Lane were poorly maintained. Cllr. Fisher agreed to look into this.

17/87 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Accuracy of Minutes

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting of 13th June 2017 be accepted as a true record.

Matters Arising

ACTION 15/122/1 – The Clerk to make enquiries about possible sightings for a noticeboard and to obtain quotes. The cost will be of the order of £500 plus fitting. The siting depends on a conversation with Mr. Vale (see action 16/95/4). **Action continues.**

ACTION 16/95/4 – The Clerk to invite the GCC Local Highways Manager Rob Vale to a meeting. Reply awaited. **Action continues.**

ACTION 16/99/1 – Loan of vehicle speed monitoring equipment. Simon Ellson had agreed to investigate this. **Action continues.**

ACTION 16/103/1 – Cllr. Allen to look into pricing a repair of the mosaic. Cllr. Allen had contacted Jayne Bywater, Project Manager of the mosaic project. She will try to contact the artist. **Action continues.**

ACTION 16/154/1 – The Clerk to set up a meeting with Craig Hemphill (Planning Officer) to discuss our concerns regarding the Elms Park application. We are awaiting confirmation from Craig regarding which meeting he can attend (he was reminded on 4th June 2017). **Action continues.**

ACTION 16/156/2 – The Clerk to enquire about dog notices. A reply is awaited from CBC Enforcement. It was suggested that we put up notices ourselves but there were concerns that this would not be legal. **Action continues.**

ACTION 17/31/1 – The Clerk to ask Dunelm Mill and Homebase to close the car park barrier at night. **Action continues.**

ACTION 17/62/1 – Clerk to produce a new draft of the Council's Standing Orders to correct typographical errors. The Clerk had made progress but a new draft was not yet available. **Action continues.**

ACTION 17/67/1 – Clerk to implement the recommendations of the Internal Auditor as detailed in minute 17/67. The periodic check of the council's finances by a councillor would be trialled tonight. The Clerk was drafting a process for the regular inspection of assets. **Action continues.**

ACTION 17/80/1 – Cllrs. Allen and Wells to draft comments on the JCS transport

document. This had been done and the comments submitted via the Clerk. Action complete.

ACTION 17/81/1 – Cllr. Allen to draw up a plan of the park. **Action continues.**

ACTION 17/81/2 – The Clerk agreed to contact Adam Reynolds regarding the feasibility of putting a pedestrian entrance into the corner of the park opposite Quat Goose Lane. **Action continues.**

ACTION 17/83/1 – The Clerk agreed to format the letter to residents regarding the cruisers in the Council's "house style". Action complete.

ACTION 17/83/2 – The Clerk agreed to forward recent incident numbers regarding the cruiser nuisance to Cllr. Deakin so that he could collate the complaints. Action complete.

17/88 ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

The Council agreed the payments shown below.

<u>Description</u>	<u>Sub-Total</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Cheque Number</u>
Clerk			
• Salary (ref 1718-016)	£397.34		
• Expenses (ref 1718-016)	£32.00		
• Cost of web hosting (ref 1718-014)	£3.59	£432.93	1007
Cotswold District Council for printing of June Village News (ref 1718-015)		£169.57	1008
Membership of Fields in Trust (ref 1718-017)		£50.00	1009
Membership of CPRE (ref 1718-018)		£38.00	1010
Karen Evans for collecting the June edition of the Village News (ref 1718-019)		£17.55	1011
GAPTC invoice for the internal audit (ref 1718-020)		£150.00	1012

17/89 PLANNING AND LICENSING

The following planning applications had been received.

- 17/01236/FUL – Two storey side and single storey rear extension 1 Sumner Court. CBC had only supplied existing layout and not the proposed layout.
- 17/01254/ADV – Signage at “Pets at Home”. No paperwork had been received.

A licensing application had been received from the prospective Lidl store. The Council had no objections.

17/90 AMEY HIGHWAYS MAINTENANCE QUESTIONNAIRE

NEW ACTION 17/90/1 – The Clerk was asked to respond to the Amey questionnaire.

17/91 RECOGNISING THE CONTRIBUTION OF DAVID ILIFFE

It was agreed that the Council consider a formal resolution to make David a Freeman of the Parish. A separate meeting would have to consider this.

17/92 JOINT CORE STRATEGY

The hearings had restarted. The MOD have stated that will not release the Ashchurch site until at least 2025. The site accounted for 25% of Tewkesbury's housing allocation.

The review of the new highways evidence would take place on Wednesday 19th July 2017.

The Council noted that the Elms Park traffic management scheme is being re-written due to changes in the JCS.

17/93 REPORTS

Regarding the cruisers, Cllr. Deakin had been advised of a number of police incident reports raised by residents.

Cllr. Conmee reported that a problem with the pavement in Rivelands Road (reported via “Fix My Street”) had been fixed.

Cllrs. Allen and Wells had attended Neighbourhood Plan seminar organised by GRCC. It was agreed that this should be an agenda item for the next meeting.

The meeting closed at 9:10pm.

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