

SWINDON PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 12th APRIL 2016
IN SWINDON VILLAGE HALL

Councillors Present:

Peter Allen (Chairman)
Glenn Simpson (ViceChairman)
John Conmee

Stuart Deakin (following co-option)
David Iliffe
Helen Wells (from 8:00pm)

Also Present:

Shaun Cullimore (Clerk), Bernard Fisher (Cheltenham Borough and Gloucestershire County Councillor). Stuart Deakin was present to be considered for co-option.

16/40 APOLOGIES

Apologies were noted from Cllr. Frances Hunter.

16/41 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

16/42 ADJOURNMENT FOR PUBLIC SESSION

One member of the public (Stuart Deakin) who wished to join the Council.

16/43 CO-OPTION OF MEMBER

It was **RESOLVED** that Stuart Deakin be accepted onto the Council and his Declaration of Acceptance of Office was duly signed.

16/44 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Accuracy of Minutes

In section 16/33 “Accounts Payable” cheque 957 was omitted from the list of cheques signed at the meeting as the invoice had arrived after the agendas had been published. The table should have included the line below.

Severn Trent Water Ltd. (ref 1516-076)		£27.98	957
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With this change it was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting of 8th March 2016 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. **Continues**.

ACTION 15/133/1 – Clerk to write to the owners of Gallagher Retail Park and the

manager of Sainsbury's plus company executives regarding the traffic flow suggestions. It was understood that Sainsbury's own their area of the retail park. The Clerk had written to the Chief Executive of Sainsbury's and had been given a point of contact. Action complete.

ACTION 15/133/2 – Clerk to write to Spirax Sarco regarding suggestions for easing congestion. The Clerk had written to the Chief Executive of Spirax Sarco and had been given a point of contact. Action complete.

ACTION 16/22/1 – Cllr. Wells to approach Peter Piff asking if the Council could make a proposal for the Village Hall side. Cllr. Wells had brought the matter to the attention of the Village Hall committee. The Committee were not in favour of the idea. Cllr. Wells would continue to discuss with the school what could be done on their side of the road. Action complete.

ACTION 16/36/1 – The Clerk to book the Village Hall for the Annual Parish meeting in May on a date when Cllr. Allen would be available. The Hall had been booked for the evening of 11th May 2016. If other organisations in the Parish could not be persuaded to participate it was agreed that Barry Simon be asked to give a talk. Action complete.

16/45 FINANCIAL MATTERS

Accounts Payable

The Council agreed the payment shown below.

<u>Description</u>	<u>Sub-Total</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Cheque Number</u>
Clerk			
• Salary (ref 1516-082)	£508.45		
• Expenses (ref 1516-082)	£32.00		
• Web site hosting (ref 1516-078)	£3.30		
	£543.75	958	
Cotswold District Council (ref 1516-079) (printing Village News)		£137.67	959
Karen Evans (ref 1516-081) (picking up Village News from Cirencester 22/03/2016)		£17.55	960
P L Gaunlett Accounts Ltd (ref 1516-077) (providing PAYE service)		£40.00	961

Cllr. Wells joined the meeting.

Accounts for 2015-2016

The Clerk presented the accounts for 2015-2016 (with previous years for comparison). The Council **RESOLVED** to accept the accounts.

16/46 PLANNING AND LICENSING

The following planning application was considered.

- 16/00454/FUL – Land at Corner Swindon Road and Kingsditch Lane. Cllr. Allen had prepared grounds for objection. The Council **RESOLVED** that these comments be submitted to the Borough Council.

There were no licensing applications to be considered.

16/47 ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

This matter had been discussed under action 16/36/1 above.

16/48 JOINT CORE STRATEGY

Local Green Space had been discussed. The Inspector wanted a joint report agreed by all parties by 22nd April 2016. The area identified as "D" in our submission would need to be reduced in size and the area identified as "A" would require further discussion.

It was reported that Gloucester would be required to take 900 of the houses allocated to Cheltenham. It was not clear whether these would come from our area.

The lack of a Transport Plan had again been highlighted. The latest data will not be available until October. The inquiry could continue into next year.

Zurich own the Seasons complex and are seeking to have the area developed. They do not currently have a developer and the area is not part of the JCS. Traffic from any development there could not go directly to Tewkesbury Road.

The Council thanked former Cllr. Stibbe and Cllr. Wells for their efforts. Cllr. Allen and Borough Councillors Fisher and Clucas had also attended sessions.

16/49 PROPOSAL TO ENHANCE THE PARK

Cllr. Fisher restated that he would be able to make some Active Together funds available to support this activity.

NEW ACTION 16/49/1 – The Clerk to contact Chris Coleman (CBC Cabinet Member for Green Space) and Adam Reynolds (CBC) to establish what plans need to be drawn up to garner support.

Cllr. Fisher reported that the play equipment removed from Pitville Park was being stored at the CBC depot and could potentially be reused.

16/50 VILLAGE NEWS EDITOR

Cllr. Hunter had stepped down as one of the two Parish Council-nominated

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assistant editors. Cllr. Deakin agreed to consider taking on the role and would attend the next editors' meeting to see what was involved.

16/51 REPORTS

Cllr. Fisher reported that Evans Halshaw have been told to apply for a dropped kerb. They are currently driving cars up the kerb and over Highways land.

Cllr. Conmee left the meeting.

Cllr. Fisher reported that Highways Local money is being increased and that each County Councillor will be able to assign a two man Highways working party for three weeks in the period May – October.

Gloucestershire County Council are assigning an officer full time to the preparation of Traffic Regulation Orders.

The meeting closed at 9:30pm.

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