

SWAYFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Cllrs: Mr D Metcalfe (Chairman) Mr K Holden (Vice Chairman)
Mrs J Geeson, Mrs W Peat, Mr A Cusdin, Mr T Small, Clerk: Mrs A Reichelt.
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Draft Minutes of Swayfield PC Meeting 22nd May 2024 7.00pm

- 1.0 Appointment of Chairman and Vice Chairman.** It was proposed by Cllr Geeson that Cllr Metcalfe remain as chairman of Swayfield Parish Council and Cllr Holden remain as Vice Chairman for the Parish, this was seconded by Cllr Peat.
- 2.0 Apologies for Absence-None**
- 3.0 To receive declarations of interest** in accordance with the 2011 Local Government Act. – *personal or prejudicial interest in any items for discussion.* None
- 4.0 Draft Notes** of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 20th March 2024 to be approved as the Minutes. Proposed Councillor Cusdin seconded Councillor Geeson. The Minutes were approved unanimously.
- 5.0 Councillors' reports:**
- 5.1 Recreation ground: Now that the weather is improving a repair plan is to be finalised. Cllr Holden is happy to look into repairs later in July. Cllr Peat will look at the report and Cllrs can discuss what work could be carried out by volunteers. The previous ROSPA inspection deemed all the play equipment safe for use with some maintenance required.
- 5.2 Phone Kiosk. The Parish Council have now installed a suggestion box. Cllr Geeson asks parishioners not to leave cds in the kiosk. It is a book exchange only.
- 5.3 Highways. Several highways issues have been recently submitted to 'fix my street' by Cllr Cusdin. Cllr Cusdin has reported Woolley's Lane several times to highways. They have closed the report file without any improvements to the Lane. Cllr Cusdin logged the complaint again. Highways have responded, "they have accessed the road and at this time does not require urgent repair, however this location has been identified as an improvement scheme, timescale unknown, due to funding and other priorities" Cllr Robins suggested we contact Rowan Smith at the County Council. We await to see if the village drainage is improved after Anglian water have completed their schemes of work.
- 5.4 Defibrillator. Working and all in order.
- 5.5 Lighting the beacon D-Day 6th June – Cllr Geeson has organised a team of volunteers which is to be overseen by John Gregory. Anglian water have been informed of our plans on the 6th. The Beacon will be lit by William Butler. He is currently fundraising for the Restoration of the Lancaster Bomber.
- 6.0 Annual Governance Statement and Financial matters:**
- 6.1 To declare Swayfield PC exempt from a Limited Assurance Review. It was unanimously agreed that Cllr Metcalfe and Clerk Reichelt sign the documentation.
- 6.2 Annual Governance Statement:
- 6.21 To Resolve the Approval of the Annual Governance Statement, for publication
This document has been seconded by the external auditor.
- 6.21 To Resolve the Approval of the Accounting Statements 2022/23, for publication
This was approved by Cllr Holden and seconded by Cllr Peat
- 6.3 To resolve payment for the Internal Auditor - It was proposed by Cllr Cusdin and seconded by Cllr Small to pay the auditor £60
- 6.4 To resolve payment to BHIB for Annual Insurance – It was proposed by Cllr Geeson that the invoice be paid immediately upon receipt. This was seconded by Cllr Holden
- 6.5 Cheques for signing: Clerk wages £211.14

7.0 Dates of future meetings

7.1 Wednesday 17th July, Wednesday 18th September and Wednesday 20th November.

8.0 Planning applications and approvals

8.1 S24/0719 Demolition of existing detached dwelling and garage and construction of replacement dwelling and detached garage with new additional drive access point – 13 Corby Road Swayfield. There were no objections to this application.

8.2 S24/0625 Removal of Condition 5 of PP S22/1067.12 Overgate Road Swayfield. No comment was made on this application.

9.0 Correspondence- High Speed internet. Subject of eligibility for a 'grant' for improved internet.

9.1 Cllr Peat volunteered to conduct more research into this issue. It will be added to the following agenda.

9.2 A note was received via the suggestion box about footpaths being overgrown in and around the village. Cllr Cusdin offered to report this to the County Council.

9.0 Items of urgency for discussion

Closed discussion