

Swinstead Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council
held at 7.00pm, 5th January 2017
in Swinstead Village Hall

Present: Councillor Bryan Lynch (Chairman), Councillor George Brown (Vice Chair), Councillor Clive Lunn, Councillor Tony Moss, Councillor Angie Percival, Wendy Benson (Clerk)

1. Apologies:

None recieved

2. Declarations of Interest:

None declared

3. Minutes of previous meeting held 3rd November 2016

The minutes were agreed as a correct record of the previous meeting/
Approved: George Brown Seconded: Clive Lunn

4. New Councillor:

Bryan Lynch introduced Angie Percival as a proposed new Co-Opted Councillor for Swinstead. All Councillors were unanimous in acceptance. The Clerk passed over the relevant forms to be completed including:

Acceptance of Office

Declaration of Interests

2017 Code of Conduct (all Councillors signed)

5. Policing:

Bryan Lynch stated that there had been two burglaries in Swinstead in the past month. Residents are advised to keep windows and doors locked and leave lights on if leaving the property. The Clerk agreed to put a notice on the noticed board with above information to alert residents

6. Correspondence:

None received

7. Financial Report:

No cheques have been written since last meeting. The clerk raised the possibility of purchasing a laptop to carry out the council business and to get a small plaque to state it belonged to the Parish Council. It was agreed and the clerk will get some quotes for the chairman to look over. The clerk was also paid for her services to the Parish Council up to the end of the financial year (1st April 2017)

8. Change of details, addresses, emails, banking, insurance etc

The changing of address for the bank is still ongoing

9. Precept:

It was Proposed to keep the Parish Council Precept at the same level as the last two years. The clerk explained that the council will lose the current grant next year and that it is important to recognise this for the future precept next year. The clerk will complete the precept forms and show the Chairman before sending it to the council. **Proposed: Tony Moss Seconded: George Brown**

10. Parish Councillor Vacancy:

A notice was put onto the notice board to advertise the Councillor vacancy and we have successfully Co-Opted a new Councillor. We now have no current vacancies.

11. Planning:

The Clerk explained that the Planning Application for X had been cancelled and no other plans had been received.

12. Highways:

Bryan Lynch stated that correspondence had been received from Dave Andrews (Owner of 8 Creeton Road) and that Martin Hill (leader of LCC) visited the site of the churned road, and stated that at this present time there was currently no funds available to install a kerb or such to alleviate the problem. When become available LCC Leader Martin Hill is hopeful the work will be done.

Bryan Lynch stated that The Green in Swinstead had been run over by a heavy vehicle resulting in churned up mud. Also at the crossroads of A151 and Irnham Road had a very large pot holes. The Clerk agreed to report both to SKDC after taking photos.

13. Councillors' Reports:

Clive Lunn reported that the fencing along side Croake Hill on the High Road was in a dangerous state with broken fencing causing a hazard to pedestrians and children playing. Clerk to report to SKDC

14. Any Other Business:

George Brown requested that the Parish Meetings starting time to be moved from 7pm to 7:15pm which was agreed by all present.

15. Date and time of next meeting:

Next meeting to be held on 2nd March 2017 at 7:15pm

Meeting closed at: 8:15pm