

SMALLEY PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of Smalley Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 15th December 2025
At 7.30pm at the Smalley Institute, Smalley

186/25 Present

L Pizzey (Chairman), G Rogers, M Bowen, W Judson, M Thomson,
S Yeomans

187/25 Public Questions

None

188/25 Co-option of Councillor

Cllr T Pride gave a short presentation on why he would like to join the parish council.

Cllr G Rogers proposed that Mr T Pride be co-opted on to Council and this was seconded by Cllr W Judson all members agreed.

Cllr T Pride signed the declaration of office form.

189/25 Borough Councillor Report

Cllr Pizzey reported that Amber Valley Council will begin to introduce weekly food waste collection across the Borough next year.

190/25 Police

PC L Mosler gave a police officer report.

- A deer was knocked down by a car on Wood Lane
- A toilet building was damaged on Fletcher Close
- The Cricket Bonfire was set alight before Bonfire night – there are ongoing issues with the spate of fires in the area.
- The Fire Service are going to go into the local schools to give a talk on the dangers of fire.
- A report of suspicious person collecting for charity on 21st November.
- E-bike and E-scooter seen riding in the middle of the road around Heanor Road and Adale Road

191/25 Apologies

Cllr A Paget

192/25 Variation of Order of Business

Members agreed to move item 8 to item 1.

193/25 Declaration of Members Interests

RESOLVED: Members agreed to take any Declarations of Members Interests as they occur in the meeting.

194/25 To confirm the non-confidential Minutes of the Meeting held on 24th November 2025

Cllr Rogers proposed, and Cllr Judson seconded the minutes were a correct record and duly signed by the Chair.

195/25 Planning applications

AVA/2025/0805 demolition of existing single storey rear extension and erection of two storey rear extension.

No objections

Cllr Pride agreed to look at planning applications along with Cllr S Yeomans.

Cllr Ainsworth to send details of a building on Bell Lane which has not had planning permission to the Clerk to report to Amber Valley.

196/25 Playground Inspections

Cllr Rogers inspected Dobholes Lane and all in good order, the football pitch is not being used at the moment because of the weather.

Stainsby Meadow equipment is all in good condition.

197/25 CCTV

A quotation has been received for the updating of the cctv on Dobholes Lane, members agreed that at the present time the costs are too high, this to be looked at again in the future.

The lengthsman to be asked to clean the camera lens on the cctv at the tennis club.

198/25 Tavern Plantation

A quotation for the whole of the work in the Tavern Plantation has been obtained; however, two more quotations are now required.

Clerk to obtain quotes for the removal of three trees along the roadside at the Tavern Plantation.

Cllr Ainsworth reported that she has met with Ryan from the Hedgerow Heroes Project who have agreed a grant to renovate the hedgerow along the roadside on Dobholes Lane. They have also suggested that a hedge to be planted around the

plantation and a hedge along the fence line, Cllr Ainsworth will contact the landowners to see if they would agree to this.
Volunteers will help plant the hedges in March, an article to be published in the parish magazine when the dates of the event are confirmed.

199/25 National Grid – update

We are waiting for the dates for the statutory consultation to begin.

200/25 Website/emails.gov.uk

The website address is now smalleyparishcouncil.gov.uk, the email address for councillors is still being looked at.

201/25 Finance

The financial and budget report for December has been circulated previously.

Members agreed that the following payments be made.

Shelter Maintenance	£101.28
Salaries/expenses/pension/hmrc	£2084.71
M Blackwell – mowing of cemetery	£40.00
Art Group - Rent for Smalley Institute for two meetings	£30.00
Lengthsman	£300.00
ICO subscription	£52.00
M Blackwell mowing the burial ground	£40.00
Income	
November 2025	
Interest	£32.68
Funeral Fees	£410.00

202/25 Information for the Internet

Clerk to put the photos of the planter on the internet.

Members agreed that a high viz jacket with a Smalley Parish Council logo on the back be provided for the lengthsman.

Cllr Pizzey to confirm that Bell Lane is a private road and if people can park here, as people are being told not to park here and threatened with being clamped.

Photos are to be sent to Clerk of pavements and areas which require cutting back by Derbyshire County Council.

Clerk to confirm with Cadent that restoration work will be undertaken on the verges after all the work has been completed in the St Johns Road area.

The meeting closed at 21.10

