

SMALLEY PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of Smalley Council Parish Meeting held on Monday 20th March 2023
At 7.30pm at the Church Hall, Smalley

25/23 Present

M Gallimore (Vice-Chairman), L Pizzey, M Thomson, A Padget
J Walker MBE, G Rogers, J Ainsworth and W Judson

Members agreed that Cllr Gallimore should be Chairman for this meeting.

26/23 *Public Questions*

None

27/23 *Police*

The police would like to know if there are any public events and street closures on the Coronation weekend.

Cllr Padget reported that there are two abandoned cars on Stafford Close, one has been removed, awaiting the removal of the second.

Fourteen incidents have been reported to the police in the past month in Smalley.

The police van visits the village throughout the year and residents can call in and discuss any problems/issues they have.

28/23 Cllr T Ainsworth

Cllr Ainsworth reported that after the site visit with Derbyshire Council Highways all drains have been cleared on the A608 from Smalley towards the Rose & Crown.

Derbyshire County Council have written a letter to the residents who owns the field, adjacent to the A608 requesting the drain along the side of the field is cleared.

Derbyshire County Council will be asked to cut back the vegetation on the pavement towards the Rose and Crown.

29/22 *Apologies*

Apologies from Cllr J Saddington and Cllr Illiffe were received and noted.

30/22 *Declaration of Members Interests*

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

31/22 Minutes of Meeting held on 20th February 2023

Cllr M Thomson proposed and Cllr L Pizzey seconded the minutes were a correct record, all members agreed, and the Chairman duly signed the minutes.

30/23 Planning Applications

AVA/2023/1103 Rear and front extensions, patio to rear of family room including screening, Woodside. Morley.

Substantial development in greenbelt is inappropriate and the building already has disproportionate additions over and above the size of the original building

31/23 Report of the Clerk

i) Playground Inspections

Cllr Rogers has inspected the playground and found everything in order, however we are still waiting for the replacement climbing frame to be delivered.

It was noted that problems of parking on the grass verge outside Dobholes Lane Recreation Ground were happening whilst the football matches were being played.

Clerk to ask Groundsman if he still has the Parking A Boards and cones and if not order 2 new A boards.

Clerk to write to football teams reminding them of parking should be in the car park on Stainsby Meadow.

ii) Quotations for repairs for Stainsby Meadow play equipment

Two quotations were received for the repair of the play equipment on Stainsby Meadow;

RESOLVED: Cllr L Pizzey proposed and Cllr Walker MBD seconded that P Goodwin be asked to carry out the work as his quotation was the lowest plus to ask for all the posts be replaced provided the cost does not exceed £100 extra.

iii) Container on Dobholes Lane Recreation Ground

Quotations have been received and it was agreed that M Bostock be asked to carry out the work on the container.

iv) Tavern Plantation

Cllr Ainsworth reported that the Council should be looking at a replanting programme for the trees in the Tavern Plantation.

Cllr Ainsworth to put an article in the Parish Magazine asking for donations for trees to be planted in the Tavern Plantation in recognition of the Coronation of King Charles.

Cllr Walker MBE proposed and Cllr Judson seconded that Cllr Ainsworth to purchase Grow More fertilizer to encourage the growth of the hedge.

v) Cemetery

RESOLVED: Members agreed to ask Mount Pleasant Landscape to carry out the work in the cemetery as per the original quotation.

vi) Christmas Lights

Cllr Judson proposed and Cllr Thomson seconded and all members agreed that the old Christmas lights be sold to Civic Pride.

vii) Parish Magazine Funding

Cllr Pizzey and Cllr Walker MBE declared an interest in the following item

RESOLVED: Members agreed that £150 be donated to the Parish Magazine to help towards production costs.

viii) Trough

RESOLVED: Members agreed that £100 be put into next years budget for the regular cleaning of the Trough. Cllr Thomson to inspect the trough on a regular basis.

ix) Welcome Signs

It was noted that if a Welcome sign was put on the back of the Heanor sign it would be obscured by the trees when out in leaf, the sign to be placed in the original agreed position.

32/23 Finance

The monthly financial and budget reports were previously circulated.

Councillor Pizzey proposed and Cllr Judson seconded, all members agreed that the following invoices be paid;

Shelter Maintenance	£92.00
Clerk/Groundsman/Expenses/Pension	£1580.91
NT Services	£404.77
Cllr J Walker MBE – reimbursement for Trough being cleared	£100.00
Ne-blades – service of mower	£83.82
Waterplus	£42.89
Excel	£43.27

RESOLVED: Members agreed to donate £30 towards the funding of Easter Eggs for Smalley PFA.

Members agreed that the Mothers Union should be allowed to plant a Cherry Tree on Stainsby Meadow.

Clerk to ask Lengthsman to clear the pavement by Morley Manor where the vegetation has made the pavement narrow.

The meeting closed at 9.08 pm