

## **SMALLEY PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of Smalley Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2023  
At 7.30pm at the Church Hall, Smalley**

### **116/23 Present**

M Gallimore (Chairman), L Pizzey, S Yeomans, J Saddington  
J Walker MBE, G Rogers, W Judson, M Thomson, J Ainsworth and A Paget

### **117/23 Public Questions**

19 parishioners were present at the meeting to discuss the proposed solar park in Smalley.

A public consultation event will be taking place at The Bell in Smalley on 27<sup>th</sup> November 2023, where a representative from Intelligent Alternatives Limited – planning agent will be able to answer questions regarding this proposal.

The parishioners submitted their concerns to the Council over this proposal and the Council noted the comments.

The Council is concerned that this proposal will be built on Green Belt land and loss of wildlife.

There are concerns over the access to the site and that flooding in the area could become an issue.

Cllr Paget has advertised the meeting at the Bell on Facebook and Spotted Smalley and Denby.

### **118/23 Police Representative**

A police report was given by PSCO Elizabeth Mosler.

A large dog was seen roaming the village on 11<sup>th</sup> November.

Vehicles seen driving on the recreation ground.

Teenagers on scooters have been seen in the village.

There is a large white van which is parked opposite the Bell which obstructs the crossing lights, this is being investigated by the Police and a request has been made to Derbyshire County Council to repaint the white lines in the correct position.

One burglary has taken place in Smalley with cash and jewellery taken.

Speed Watch patrols have taken place recently.

### **119/23 Apologies**

Cllr T Ainsworth

### **120/23 Declaration of Members Interests**

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

### ***121/23 Minutes of Meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> October 2023***

Cllr J Walker proposed the minutes were a correct record and Cllr W Judson seconded the proposal, all members agreed, and the Chairman duly signed the minutes.

### ***122/23 Planning applications***

***AVA/2023/0763 – Replacement of existing agricultural barn with new build dwelling house***

***Woodside Farm, Cloves Hill – Application has been withdrawn.***

***AVA/2023/0068 – outline application for 2 detached dwellings including means of access - 1 Dobholes Lane, Smalley***

Dangerous access onto a busy road at a junction.

Over development of a garden plot.

Impinges on neighbouring properties, one of the proposed properties appears to be on a boundary line with a neighbouring property.

Concerns over damage to a tree with a tpo in the development area.

***AVA/2023/0837 Installation of air source heat pump  
5 Jacobite Close***

No objections, however, the noise should not interfere with neighbours and look aesthetically acceptable if placed at the front of the house.

The Chairman wished to comment on the windows which had been recently installed at the Church Hall. He stated the windows were not the ones on the planning application which were from a heritage company and enhanced the look of the building. He requested the PCC to be mindful and sympathetic to the old building when any other repairs are carried out.

### ***123/23 Report of the Clerk***

Cllr Rogers inspected the playgrounds, and his report is below.

Dobholes Lane – the surfacing has been put down on the entrance to the recreation ground.

The tree at the entrance to the recreation ground and by the kissing gate has been cut back.

Rubber grips have been replaced on the play equipment.

There are studs and caps to go on to the equipment, Clerk to ask Mr Goodwin to carry out this work.

Cllr Rogers and Cllr Judson to tighten up the muga fencing panels.

The football parking A boards have not been used and people are still parking on the verge, Clerk to write to football managers informing them they should be putting the parking A boards out at every match and ensure that there is no parking on the grass verge and that if the cars continue to park on the verge the parish council will seriously consider whether they will be able to continue to play on the football pitch at Stainsby Meadow.

Cctv has been installed on both the recreation grounds.

Members agreed that if ever funding was available then the playground on Stainsby meadow would be replaced.

Cllr Paget to ask Amber Valley if there was any 106-money available.

New swings are to be included in the budget for next year.

Clerk to ask the Tennis Club if a cctv sign can be attached to the Clubhouse.

The Chairman to arrange for the gate to be reinstalled at Stainsby Meadow, however the gate will be marked prior to installation.

### ***124/23 Hanging Baskets***

Members agreed that the Council had decided not to have hanging baskets because of the previous problems encountered with the watering of the plants.

### ***125/23 Budget meeting***

Clerk to arrange a date for the budget meeting.

### ***126/23 Parish Council assets and location***

It was noted that football equipment is in the container on Dobholes Lane and the watering bowser.

### ***127/23 Poppies***

The purchase of 100 poppies to be put in the budget for next year.

### ***128/23 Finance***

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

Members agreed the following payments be made.

***November Payments***

<b><i>Shelter Maintenance</i></b>	<b>£96.62</b>
<b><i>Salaries/expenses/pension/hmrc</i></b>	<b>£1916.99</b>
<b><i>NT Services</i></b>	<b>£404.77</b>
<b><i>BTC mowing of dam</i></b>	<b>£35.50</b>
<b><i>BTC mowing of dam</i></b>	<b>£71.00</b>
<b><i>Shaw electrical – installation of cctv – Dobholes Lane</i></b>	<b>£1074.00</b>
<b><i>Shaw electrical – installation of cctv – Stainsby Meadow</i></b>	<b>£3069.40</b>
<b><i>Greg Long lifting trees – Dobholes Lane</i></b>	<b>£180.00</b>
<b><i>PCC Hire of Hall for Parish Council meetings. March 2023 – November 2023</i></b>	<b>£240.00</b>
<b><i>M Gallimore reimbursement for Christmas Decorations</i></b>	<b>£5.00</b>
<b><i>K Richardson – reimbursement for cctv signs</i></b>	<b>£15.96</b>
<b><i>R H Booth – hedge cutting</i></b>	<b>£144.00</b>

***129/23 Correspondence***

***Sycamore Tree, Dobholes Lane***

Comments noted.

***Derbyshire County Council – Bus Shelters***

Comments noted.

***Grit Bin*** – The grit bin has been damaged on St Johns Road, Chairman to look at the Grit Bin and to assess the damage, Clerk to obtain a quotations for the replacement and order.

Complaint regarding the car parking on Dix Avenue at school times, Cllr Paget reported that PCSO Alfie Smith was visiting the area regularly to control the car parking. Clerk to write to the school asking them to send a message to parents about parking responsibly.

Part of the approved planning application for Smalley Manor Pastures and Smalley Chase included a footpath joining the two estates this does not appear to have been put in place, Clerk to contact planning department at Amber Valley.

The meeting closed at 9.35.