

SMALLEY PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of Smalley Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 18th March 2024
At 7.30pm at the Church Hall, Smalley

26/24 Present

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

27/24 Public Questions

A member of the public asked if a Speed Indicator Device could be installed on the Main Road from the Nursing Home towards Allsops farm. The Chairman suggested that the SID which is currently located on Dobholes Lane be moved later on in the year to this location. Cllr Paget reported that additional funding may be made available from the Crime Commissioner for SID, the Council will look to apply for this when it is available.

A car has been in the hedge at the bottom of Cloves Hill for a couple of weeks, however it was reported that there was a low loader there today retrieving the vehicle.

Cllr Paget reported that Derbyshire County Council are looking at the signage in the area to try to prevent the frequency of accidents in the area.

Clerk to report the broken style and footpath sign to Derbyshire County Council.

Clerk to ask if planning permission is required for a metal structure which has been built at the bottom of Cloves Hill.

28/24 Borough Councillor Report

Cllr L Pizzey reported that the Local Plan consultation has been extended.

There is to be a litter pick in the village, starting from the Bell on 23rd March at 10 am.

The proposed solar farm development is to be featured on Countryfile and Spring Watch.

29/24 Apologies

Cllr J Saddington and Cllr T Ainsworth

30/24 Declaration of Members Interests

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

31/24 Minutes of Meeting held on 19th February 2024

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

32/24 Matters Arising

Cllr Ainsworth to keep the Council informed of the letters sent from Derbyshire County Council to the resident of the property on the corner of Dobholes Lane and Wilmot Drive with regard to keeping the vegetation from the garden encroaching on to the pavement.

The cctv post has been relocated to outside the tennis court boundary.

33/24 Planning

None

34/24 Report of the Clerk

i) Playground Inspection

Spare parts have been ordered for the play equipment on Dobholes Lane

The conical swing requires the bearings lubricating Cllr Judson and Cllr Rogers to repair.

Clerk to order the bark for the Stainsby Meadow play area.

The litter bin is to be concreted in place.

All the equipment and fences on both recreation grounds are satisfactory.

ii) Email address for Councillors for Parish Council business only.

Councillors to provide an email address which is to be used for Parish Council business only.

iii) Pavilion – electrical quotations.

Three quotations have been obtained for the electrical work in the pavilion Cllr Walker proposed and Cllr Paget seconded that the work be carried out by Shaw Electrical. Clerk to arrange for the work to be carried out.

iv) Bench

Clerk waiting for the quotation to install the bench on Heanor Road, once this has been received Clerk to circulate the quotation. Clerk to order the bench and the installation once the members have approved the quotation.

v) Mowing of Dam

Clerk to obtain quotations for the mowing of the Dam twice a month. Cllr Paget to forward an email address of a local contractor.

vi) Derbyshire Crime Commissioner feedback for SID

Councillors agreed that the vehicles travelling towards the SID do slow down, Clerk to obtain manual from installers so information can be obtained off the SID and how to resite the SID to another location in the village.

35/24 Finance

The monthly financial report and budget report have been circulated previously.

RESOLVED: Cllr Walker MBE proposed, and Cllr Paget seconded that the following invoices be paid all members agreed.

<i>Shelter Maintenance</i>	<i>£96.62</i>
<i>Salaries/expenses/pension/hmrc</i>	<i>£1815.45</i>
<i>NT Services</i>	<i>£404.77</i>
<i>Npower – Christmas Lights</i>	<i>£30.88</i>
<i>BT</i>	<i>£142.14</i>
<i>Excel</i>	<i>£87.96</i>
<i>Shaw Electrical – re location of cctv post</i>	<i>£250.00</i>

Waterplus have credited the Parish Council Waterplus account with the past 6 months payments of £456.67. They have reissued an invoice for £291.73 for this 6 months and taken this from the credit. Therefore, this leaves a balance of £164.94 on the account.

36/24 Correspondence

Derbyshire Police and Crime Commissioner – automatic number plate recognition – pilot scheme. Members agreed to join the scheme if no costs were incurred.

Email regarding Cloves Hill – discussed previously in the meeting.

Clerk to send copy of Mr Tadman’s job description.

Clerk to contact the solicitor to ask if the Land Registry can be contacted to ascertain how long it will be before the Parish Council receive an answer regarding the land at Stainsby Meadow.

The meeting closed at 8.38 pm.