

SWEPSTONE PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting Minutes 15th June 2022

Held at: Church Hall, Swebstone

Present

Chairman: A. Milner
Councillors: J. Coleman, P. Cook,
N. Makin & B. Sumner
Clerk: K. Stirk
County Cllr. D. Harrison
Members of the Public
First Responder

058/2022 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None.

059/2022 LOCAL POLICING REPORT

No incidents reported.

060/2022 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A resident reported a shotgun being discharged in Swebstone on 29th May which was reported to the police. The police would like to hear from any witnesses.

A complaint about speeding motor bikes through Swebstone every Tuesday between 6-9pm was also reported.

Resolution: Clerk to contact the police requesting why the shotgun incident was not in the police report and to inform police about the speeding motor bikes.

A resident informed the meeting that a Swebstone resident was investigating the possibility of joining Community Speedwatch UK.

A resident requested an update about the field trespassing in Swebstone. The Chairman reported that the farmer was to obstruct the entrance to the field and a reminder of the 'Countryside Code' was to be included in the next newsletter.

It was reported that the Swebstone speed camera was not working.

Resolution: Chairman to charge the battery.

A resident informed the meeting that a quotation was being obtained for repairs to the Congregational Church clock. Also, the leaking roof was to be repaired.

The Chairman congratulated the winner of the Jubilee best dressed house.

The lack of road sweeping in the villages by L.C.C. was reported.

The Chairman thanked the villages' gardener for his hard work making the villages neat and tidy for the Jubilee celebrations. The contractor agreed to quote for the extra mowing and maintenance jobs required by the Parish Council.

061/2022 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllrs. Makin and Sumner declared an interest in the agenda item Sweystone to Newton Burgoland Pathway.

062/2022 MINUTES

The council confirmed the minutes of the last Parish Council Meeting in May 2022 were an accurate representation of the meeting.

063/2022 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There were no matters arising from the minutes that needed to be readdressed or placed as a formal agenda item from the May meeting.

064/2022 MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT

- It was reported on an average working day the following number of vehicles travelled along Main Street, Sweystone 5439 over a 24-hour period.
Resolution: Clerk to request the number of vehicles after 6 months, to compare difference when large local developments are completed.

- LCC confirmed the overgrown opening by Aylesbury Gardens, Newton Road is an adopted highway.
Resolution: Clerk to contact LCC Highways to maintain the Old Newton Road as it is now impassable and would be an asset to walkers taking them off the busy road.

- The Parish Council has requested better street lighting in Church Street, Sweystone with LCC refusing the request.
Resolution: Clerk to attempt to seek funding from other sources.

- Mobile speed cameras have recently been used by police in nearby villages. Main Street, Sweystone is due to be a location for the above soon.

- Clerk reported that the solicitors are close to completion on the Nethercote land adoption.
Resolution: Clerk to pass all paperwork to Cllr. Makin prior to completing.

- The large ash tree on the corner of Snarestone Road/Main Street Newton Burgoland has been inspected by LCC Forestry and an ariel inspection has been planned.
Resolution: Clerk to report progress in the June newsletter.

065/2022 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

Schedule of Payments were agreed for on-line payment.

- Newsletter
- Clerk's Expenses
- ROSPA Annual Inspection of Play Equipment
- Newton Burgoland plants for hanging baskets & planter

Councillors heard the current balance and agreed payment of invoices.

Monthly bank reconciliation agreed and signed.

066/2022 PLANNING MATTERS

None.

067/2022 CORRESPONDENCE

None.

068/2022 QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE EVENT

Cllr. Coleman thanked the amazing volunteers and village groups who made the Jubilee celebrations weekend a wonderful success. It was agreed to put together a commemoration pamphlet to be distributed to all the residents as a keep sake.

Resolution: Lamp post banners to be taken down at the end of the summer.

Clerk to thank the musical groups that performed.

Chairman Milner thanked Cllr. Coleman for her hard work organising the event.

069/2022 FUTURE EVENTS

The councillors discussed possible future events i.e., outdoor cinema, proms night, church Christmas tree decorating and an houses/ church/ chapel advent calendar.

Resolution: Clerk to keep future events as an agenda item.

070/2022 PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE REVIEW

No further progress to report.

071/2022 VILLAGES' MAINTENANCE

The villages' gardener is to quote for the extra mowing around the villages, feeding & watering hanging baskets, clearing vegetation from roadside gutters and repairing the Newton planter.

Chairman Milner thanked the wonderful volunteers who maintain the village planters.

Resolution: Clerk to contact Swepstone volunteer to fill the hanging baskets.

Clerk to obtain quotations for further planters.

072/2022 SWEPSTONE TO NEWTON BURGOLAND PATHWAY

The proposal was discussed with County Cllr. Harrison who requested further details.

Resolution: Clerk to email further details to County Cllr. Harrison and to put the request to Director of Highways, LCC.

073/2022 CO OPTING COUNCILLORS

The councillors discussed the above in readiness for when further councillors would be needed to fill any vacancies.

Resolution: Clerk to put item on the November agenda.

074/2022 REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS

Cllr. Makin asked the First Responder what the Parish Councillors could do to help with training villagers in CPR and the use of the defibrillators.

The First Responder agreed that training village groups and individuals was the best use of time, with possible training sessions in October.

Resolution: Clerk to put the item on the August agenda. Clerk to put the item in the June newsletter.

075/2022 ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

None.

Chairman Milner thanked everyone for their contributions and closed the meeting.