

SWEPSTONE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes

Held at: Swebstone Church Hall

Date: Wednesday 20th February 2019 at 8.00pm

Present *Councillors: A Milner, J Millward, N Makin, B Sumner*
Chairman: C Robinson
Parish Clerk: Annie Callingham
No. of Parishioners Present: x 9

199/2019 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
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200/2019 LOCAL POLICING REPORT

There have been 2 road traffic collisions in the parish in the last 30 and one reported theft of a mobile phone. It was suggested that the mobile phone theft occurred in London, however, was reported as Newton Burgoland as this is where the victim lives, and so therefore may be inaccurate.

A good initial response to the community safety scheme "tool box" for parishioners, and we have the motorbike warning signs to be put up on the village tidy up day.

RESOLVED: Clerk to publicise the continuation of the safety scheme via the parish website and newsletter, and to ask PCSO for appropriate clips/brackets to mount the motorbike signage. Clerk to follow up on the accuracy of the reporting of the London mobile phone theft.

201/2019 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The following issues were raised by parishioners:

- The concern of large agricultural vehicles speeding through the village pulling tankers
- The entrance gate on Main Street were raised as being too far away from the village and a suggestion of another reminder of speed needed to be place in between the gates and the village.
- An update on The Belper from the petanque and darts teams as their league starts in April; also, the conifer that belongs to the Belper is dangerously overgrown for car users trying to pull out.
- "Boy racer" activity in Swebstone using false/SORN number plates

RESOLVED: Clerk to update the petanque and darts team directly when an update is received and will pass the overgrown conifer problem to Heineken. Clerk to pass the false number plate vehicles to our PCSO in their absence from the meeting, and Councillor Milner offered to contact agricultural

companies/farmers regarding the speeding traffic if he is passed the details or registration numbers at the next meeting from parishioners. The Chairman explained that when the parish purchase the next SID (Speed Indication Device) it will be for Newton Burgoland, and can be used for examples like this, where a speed reminder is needed.

202/2019 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillors were reminded of their duty to declare any personal or prejudicial interests – none were declared.

203/2019 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held in January were agreed as a true and correct record of the meeting and no further matters or new decisions have arisen since.

204/2019 GROUNDS MAINTENANCE

The Council heard from G. Cantwell regarding the experience he has around ground maintenance and therefore potentially for the parish. Areas such as grass cutting, footpaths, style repairs etc were mentioned.

RESOLVED: Councillors to draw up a list of areas of the parish that need regular attention across the year to enable a quote to be generated. The current supplier needs to know if Swepstone parish council still need his service as they start in April.

205/2019 MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT

This was reviewed and update accordingly. Key points to note are that:

- Aylesbury Garden's application for permission to apply for a planning statutory review has been refused, and therefore confirmed by a single judge examining the papers as being correct in law. However, there is still a possibility this decision could also be questioned at an oral hearing. The time limit for this is very short and if this doesn't happen, the case will be sent to NWLDC's Enforcement Team to start eviction proceedings.
- The faulty Speed Indication Device have been replaced. After this has proved to be effective, the Council will purchase a second one for the parish.
- The Council are looking to take ownership of the damaged speed warning sign in Swepstone at the top of Mount Pleasant and are understanding the costs involved with LCC.
- The new red phone box licence is due to close its 28-consultation period at the end of February. When complete and no objections received, will the installation happen, and the "Swap Stop" library will be available.
- The parish are taking steps to take ownership of the area around the post box and notice board on Main Street Newton Burgoland to be able to cultivate and landscape the area to be a more attractive focal point.
- Put in Newsletter, FB and Next Door Neighbour sites an invitation for informal declarations of interest to stand for Councillors in the forthcoming elections to come to the clerk so there is an understanding of who may be interested.

- Clerk still waiting for specific costs for Victorian/Heritage Street Lights from LCC.

RESOLVED: Clerk to update progress report and circulate to Councillors, and cascade relevant information on the newsletter

206/2019 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

The Councillors agreed to pay the following invoices:

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| 1. Clerk Course | 3. LittleJohn Auditors |
| 2. Newsletter Printing | 4. Key Cutting |

RESOLVED: Clerk to pay these on-line and update finances.

207/2019 CONTINUATION OF CURRENT ACTION PLAN

Councillors agreed that the best way to ensure continuity for the long-term future, and continued improvements to the villages and how they look under a newly formed council would be to have an extra meeting in May time. It was agreed to make this a public meeting where an open understanding of the spend commitments and current status of projects is transparent and clear to all.

RESOLVED: Clerk to update diary dates with an extra meeting date.

208/2019 OWNERSHIP OF STARS

A separate meeting will be held between Councillor Sumner and the Church committee regarding the storage, insurance, and who's responsibility it is to put the stars up and down and the best way forward.

209/2019 PLANNING MATTERS

None were received. It was agreed that Swepstone parish council no longer need the engagement of the planning consultant following the appeal news update.

210/2019 THE BELPER ARMS – COMMUNITY ASSET

The Councillors agreed to make the application to NWLDC to register The Belper Arms as a community asset. Although there are no signs from Heineken that the pub is intended to be sold, however if anything changed, this would give the parish council 6 months extra time to find a solution.

RESOLVED: Clerk to make the application to NWLDC.

211/2019 CORRESPONDENCE

The parish council received one correspondence from the school PFA to publicise an event in the next newsletter. The Councillors were happy to do this.

RESOLVED: Clerk to put Mother's Day coffee morning in the newsletter.

212/2019 ELECTION PLANNING

Posters, social media and newsletter content for the elections will be given to the Clerk in February. Councillors were happy to wait for the support material and heavily focus on this in the next newsletter.

In the meantime, there is an opportunity for anyone who is interested in standing for election, to ask any questions to the clerk on an informal basis.

RESOLVED: Clerk to ask for declarations of interest via the newsletter, FB and NextDoor Neighbour App.

213/2019 STREET NAME SIGNS REFURBISHMENTS

A parishioner kindly offered to repair the street name sign opposite Swepstone Church Hall, however the Councillors agreed that there may be others in the parish that need attention.

RESOLVED: Clerk to understand the options for this and report back in March meeting

214/2019 REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS

None

ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

None

FUTURE DIARY DATES FOR 2019: -

16th January	Newton Burgoland	17 th July	Newton Burgoland
20th February	Swepstone	11 th September	Swepstone
20 th March	Newton Burgoland	16 th October	Newton Burgoland
10 th April	Swepstone	20 th November	Swepstone
15 th May	Newton Burgoland	18 th December	Newton Burgoland
19 th June	Swepstone		