

Swainswick Parish Council

Function, Powers & Duties (Statutory Provisions)

Access land:	Power to enforce byelaws made by another authority. <i>Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000, s. 17</i>
Allotments:	Duty to provide allotments. Power to improve and adapt land for allotments, and to let grazing rights. <i>Small Holdings & Allotments Act 1908, ss. 23, 26, and 42</i>
Baths and huts washhouses:	Powers relating to provision of public baths, washhouses and bathing. <i>Public Health Act 1936, ss. 221 - 223 and 225 - 227</i>
Burial grounds:	Power to acquire and maintain, Power to provide, Power to agree to maintain monuments and memorials Power to contribute towards expenses of cemeteries. <i>Open Spaces Act 1906, Ss 9 and 10; Local Government Act 1972, s. 214; Parish Councils and Burial Authorities (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1970, s. 1 Local Government Act 1972, s. 214(6)</i>
Bus shelters:	Power to provide and maintain shelters. <i>Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1953, s. 4</i>
Bye-laws:	Power to make bye-laws in regard to pleasure grounds: Cycle parks: Baths and washhouses: Open spaces and burial grounds, Mortuaries and post-mortem rooms: <i>Public Conveniences Public Health Act 1875, s. 164: Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, s.57(7): Public Health Act 1936, s.223: Open Spaces Act 1906, ss.15 and 12: Public Health Act 1936, s.198: Public Health Act 1936, s. 87:</i>
Clocks:	Power to provide public clocks. <i>Parish Councils Act 1957, s.2</i>
Closed churchyards:	Powers as to maintenance. <i>Local Government Act 1972, s.215</i>
Commons:	Power for parish council to contribute to expense relating to scheme for the regulation and management of a common. <i>Commons Act 1899, s.5</i>
Common pastures:	Powers in relation to providing common pasture. <i>Smallholdings and Allotments Act 1908, s.34</i>
Conference facilities:	Power to provide and encourage the use of facilities. <i>Local Government Act 1972, s.144</i>

Community centres: Power to provide and equip buildings for use of clubs having athletic, social or recreational objectives.

Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 s.19

Crime prevention: Powers to install and maintain equipment and establish and maintain a scheme for detection or prevention of crime.

Local Government and Rating Act 1997, s.31

Drainage: Power to deal with ponds and ditches. *Public Health Act 1936, s.260*

Entertainment/Arts: Provision of entertainment and support of the arts.

Local Government Act 1972, s.145

Financial assistance: Duty to require information. *Local Government Act 1972, s.137A*

General powers: Power to incur expenditure for certain purposes.

Local Government Act 1972, s. 137

Gifts: Power to accept. *Local Government Act 1972, s.139*

Highways: Power to maintain footpaths and bridle-ways:

Power to light roads and public places:

Provision of litter bins:

Powers to provide parking places for bicycles and motor-cycles, and other vehicles:

Power to enter into agreement as to dedication and widening:

Power to provide roadside seats and shelters:

Consent of parish council required for ending maintenance of highway at public expense, or for stopping up or diversion of highway:

Power to complain to highway authority as to unlawful stopping up or obstruction of highway or unlawful encroachment on roadside wastes:

Power to provide traffic signs and other objects or devices warning of danger:

Power to plant trees and lay out grass verges etc. and to maintain them.

Highways Act 1980, ss.43,50, Parish Councils Act 1957 s.3; Highways Act 1980, s.301; Litter Act 1983, ss.5,6; Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, ss.57,63; Highways Act 1980, ss.30,72; Parish Councils Act 1957, s.1; Highways Act 1980, ss.47,116; Highways Act 1980, s.130; Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, s.72; Highways Act 1980, s.96

Investments: Power to participate in schemes of collective investment Trustee.

Investments Act 1961, s.11

Land Power: to acquire by agreement, to appropriate, to dispose of. Power to accept gifts of land. *Local Government Act 1972, ss.124, 126, 127; Local Government Act 1972, s.139*

Litter: Provision of receptacles. *Litter Act 1983, ss.5,6*

Lotteries: Powers to promote. *Lotteries and Amusements Act 1976, s.7*

Mortuaries and post mortem rooms:	Powers to provide mortuaries and post mortem rooms. <i>Public mortem Health Act 1936, s.198</i>
Parish documents:	Powers to direct as to their custody. <i>Local Government Act 1972, s.226</i>
Public buildings and village hall:	Power to provide buildings for public meetings and assemblies. <i>Local Government Act 1972, s.133</i>
Public conveniences:	Powers relating to provision of public conveniences. <i>Public Health Act 1936, s.87</i>
Recreation:	Power to acquire land for or to provide public walks, pleasure grounds and open spaces and to manage and control them; Power to provide gymanasiums, playing fields, holiday camps; Provision of boating pools. (see <i>Local Government Act 1972, Sched.14 para.27</i>): <i>Public Health Act 1875, s.164</i> ; <i>Public Health Acts Amendment Act 1890 s.44</i> ; <i>Open Spaces Act 1906, ss.9 and 10</i> <i>Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976, s.19</i> : <i>Public Health Act 1961, s.54</i>
Town and country planning:	Right to be notified of planning applications. <i>Town and Country Planning Act 1990, Sched.1, para.8</i>
Tourism:	Power to encourage visitors and provide conference and other facilities. <i>Local Government Act 1972, s.144</i>
Traffic calming:	Powers to contribute financially to traffic calming schemes. <i>Highways Act 1980, s.274A</i>
Transport:	Powers in relation to car-sharing schemes, taxi fare concessions and information about transport; Powers to make grants for bus services. <i>Local Government and Rating Act 1997, s.26, 28 and 29</i> ; <i>Transport Act 1985, s.106A</i>
War memorials:	Power to maintain, repair, protect and alter war memorials. <i>War Memorials (Local Authorities' Powers) Act 1923, s.1; as extended by Local Government Act 1948, s.133</i>
Water supply:	Power to utilise well, spring or stream and to provide facilities for obtaining water from them. <i>Public Health Act 1936, s.125</i>