

SWAINSWICK PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Swainswick Parish Council held in Swainswick School Upper Swainswick on Monday 10th September 2018 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs Mr J Miles (Chairman): Mr G Davies (Vice Chairman): Mr R Shackell: Mr I Roberts: Mr T Stuckes and Mr R Clist (Clerk)

1. Apologies: E Charrington: Cllr M Veale.

2. Minutes of previous meeting held 11th June 2018.

The meeting approved the minutes and they were signed as a true record by the Chairman.

3. Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

4. Planning

New

Ref: 18/03829/FUL Four Winds Farm Gloucester Road Swainswick - 'retention' of Agricultural Building. This application was discussed at length and a number of key points were agreed. These will form the basis of a detailed objection from this council. J Miles has agreed to prepare this.

Previous Applications

Ref: 18/00397/CLEU Treetops Gloucester Road Swainswick Bath – Area use as ancillary residential garden (Certificate of Lawfulness for an Existing Use) Swainswick PC Observations submitted. B&NES Decision – Refused.

J Miles stated that this is the correct decision but would not be surprised if an appeal was made in the future.

Ref: 17/00156/UNAUTH Pitland Farm Swainswick. Use of agricultural barn for vehicle storage related to a vehicle recovery business. There appears to be little activity at present, but the situation continues to be monitored.

Other Planning Matters

It had been noticed that there had been some trench work in the yard of the Tythe Barn. Its purpose is unclear, but it is desirable to maintain observation on the activity.

5. B&NES relate topics

Footpath to Woolley – Bridge problem

I Roberts reported that some work had been done on the bridge on the footpath between Swainswick and Woolley. The problem had not been rectified but measures taken seem there to prevent further subsidence. This needs to be followed up with a full repair or replacement.

Tadwick Lane – Road Surface

T Stuckes and I Roberts noted that some repairs had been carried out along the lane but it was certain further works will be needed in the near future.

6. Data Protection – Revised Act

The clerk reported that the Government has revised the bill to drop the requirement for the formalised post of DPO and the council has now been registered with the Information Commissioners Office (ICO) and the fee paid.

7. Finance

An up to date financial report was issued by the clerk.

8. School Governors

R Shackell reported that good progress was being made with the demolition and foundation work needed for the new school buildings. Some difficulties with skip usage were being experienced and he said that some increase in site related traffic might occur. Regarding students it was noted that the school intake was now full.

9. Correspondence

All relevant material previously circulated.

10. Any Other Business

Future Projects

As the financial status of the council is reasonably healthy discussions were held about suitable future projects. Improving the location of the bench on Tadwick Lane and the possible installation of a defibrillator. No conclusions were made.

11. Date of Next Meeting

Monday 12th November – J Miles home – The Close

The dates for the following meetings are:

11th February 2019: 8th April 2019: 10th June 2019

Meeting closed at 8.45pm