

SWINTON & LADYKIRK COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING

Date / Time of Meeting: 09/09/2019 / 19:00

Venue: The Wheatsheaf Hotel, Swinton

PRESENT

Victor Lucas (VL), Jim Brown (JB), Bill Purvis (BP), Robert Sloan (RS), Fiona Wilson (FW), Michael Lawrence (ML), Kenneth Morton (KM) & Meg Reid (MR)

APOLOGIES

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SBC Councillor Mark Rowley

Minutes Taken By: Fiona Wilson

Next Meeting: 11/11/2019

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ACTION

Minutes of Last Meeting:

Proposed by JB & Seconded by ML.

Matters Arising:

None

Treasurer's Report:

Balance at 13/05/2019	£971.84
Balance at 09/09/2019	£971.84

Police Report:

None received.

SBC Regional Councillor Updates:

None.

Planning Applications:

- 19/01004/FUL (Horndean). No objections
- Wooden structures/caravan in Swinton conservation area.
 - Caravans can be parked within the curtilage of a property, requiring no SBC permissions.
 - Wooden structures require planning permission.
 - Discussion on the problem of bins permanently left outside homes, some impeding access on pavements and also unsightly. Councillor Francis Renton did some work for the CC while in post, but it now seems SBC is reluctant/unable to take this forward .

Swinton Village Green Electricity Distribution:

Application for SBC Berwickshire Community Fund financing approved at the last Berwickshire Area Partnership meeting.

DE to contact both contractors, to agree a date for the works to commence. Aim is to have all works completed in time for this year's Christmas Tree/Lights ceremony.

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Illuminated Speed Signs:

DE to contact Councillor Mark Rowley, requesting SBC Roads Planning Department

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be asked to repeat the speed test carried out in July 2018, but in a more appropriate location (e.g. at the entrance to Carter's Wynd).

BT Phoneboxes:

Ladykirk (Upsettlington) to be retained.

Swinton's phonebox is listed, so cannot be removed.

VL reminded the meeting that the post box on Main Street is historic but unfortunately the post box near the Manse, which was also an older edition, had been stolen. It has now been replaced.

Telephone Exchange (Swinton):

Councillor Rowley has emailed BT Property Manager re the state of the ground around the exchange, but has not yet received a reply.

SBC Community Council Scheme Review:

No update.

JB

SBC Audit & Scrutiny Committee:

In response to a request to all CCs in the region, S&LCC has proposed that the processing of applications for SBC Community Fund financing be the subject of a review by the above committee. No response from SBC to date.

Marquee:

To be erected on Thursday 12 September (afternoon) in preparation for ready for Sunday's Swinton Flower Show.

Swinton Christmas Lights:

BP and VL to test, once all electrical works completed.

Date for switch on Friday 06 December 2019.

Correspondence:

As previously circulated.

SBC Polling Station Review: MR confirmed that Swinton children don't lose a day at school, because of an election, spending the day at Greenlaw Primary School.

A.O.C.B

- JB reminded Community Councillors to use CC email system IONIS, and check it regularly. He will resend the link. **JB**
- FW has contacted Rose Hogg, the new Dog Education Officer. It was agreed that she be asked to provide S&LCC with a briefing on on dog fouling as well as dog welfare, microchipping, environmental protection and livestock worrying. **FW**
- KM talked about the terrific children's play areas in towns like Coldstream and possibility in future of new equipment for the Swinton Green play area.
- Potholes. JB to contact Paul Matthewson. **JB**

Next Scheduled Meeting:

Monday 11/11/2019 at 19:00 in The Wheatsheaf Hotel.