

SWINTON & LADYKIRK COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Minutes of Meeting held on Wednesday, 2nd November 2022
Following E.G.M. In the Wheatsheaf Hotel, Swinton

PRESENT

Iain Woolley (Chair) (IW) Bill Purvis (BP)
Kenneth Morton (KM), Michael Lawrence (ML)
Tim Morris(TM) and Councillor Donald Moffat (DM)
Two members of the public.

APOLOGIES

Fiona Wilson, John Cochrane, Councillor J Greenwell and Councillor M Rowley

Minutes taken by: Bill Purvis **Next meeting:** 4th January 2023 at 7.00pm

Welcome:

IW welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Minutes:

The Minutes of the meeting held on 5th October had been circulated to all members were now approved. Prop. ML Sec. KM.

Matters arising:

There were no matters arising.

Treasurer's Report:

ML, Treasurer had now received everything from previous Treasurer and will arrange to have bank signatories etc amended.

Police Report:

No recent Police Report to hand.

Planning:

No applications requiring our consideration at this time.

Updates from Regional Councillors:

Councillor Moffat advised that: -

- a) Problem with trees at west end of village will be taken care of;
- b) SBC – Agreement has now been reached to have opposition members on Executive and joint budget talks;
- c) Money is available for play equipment.
- d) He (DM) has been put forward for a Lifetime Achievement Award.

Councillor Greenwood advised (by email): -

- a) In his new role as Executive Member for roads the maintenance of the Council's fleet of vehicles comes under his portfolio. As an interim measure Council is using a number of vehicles from Cooks Van Hire while they move to leasing newer, greener vehicles reducing their carbon footprint and maintenance cost. They are currently looking to replace around 13e0 vehicles including refuse collection vehicles, gritters and a range of other vehicles and vans.
- b) After a very disappointing inspection report Berwickshire High School is now moving in the right direction. The rector has brought in some very good empowerment measures for staff and rules for pupils around respect mobile phones.

Correspondence:

Secretary had received an email re inconsiderate parking on pavement at Carters Wynd. This is really a Police matter and will be passed to the relative authorities,

A resident had expressed concern that the tree stump at the south west corner of the Green is beginning to sprout branches. It is understood that this will be removed in due course and replaced with hopefully a more suitable shrub.

Christmas Lights:

The Christmas lights will be put up on Thursday, 24th November at 10.00am, weather permitting, with the switch-on scheduled for 2nd December at 6.30pm. As Finlay Mitchell has now retired, we will require to find another source for a Christmas tree. We will also need to ask Santa to visit

A.C.O.B.:

Public footpath – An Ash tree branch is overhanging south footpath near the western end of village. Enquiry will be made to see who owns land.

Members would like to know what funding is available by means of Grants to carry out community projects. D.M. will provide contact.

Date of next meeting:

Our next meeting is scheduled for 4th January 2023 at 7.00pm.

Close:

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 8.30pm. watermark