

MINUTES

Ordinary Full Parish Council Meeting held at 10.00am on 14th May 2024 in the Village Hall, The Street, Swafield

Those present: Boris Konoshenko (Chairman), Timothy Payne, Mick Starling, John Amies, and Josh Marshall

Members of the Public: 4

1. Election of Chairman

Council agreed to elect Cllr Konoshenko as Chairman of Swafield and Bradfield Parish Council

2. Election of Vice Chairman

Council agreed to defer the election of Vice Chairman to allow more members of the council to be present in order to elect a Vice Chairman

3. To receive Apologies for Absence

3.1 To consider apologies for absence

Cllr McLean and Cllr Short sent their apologies due to work commitments

4. Declarations of Interest and requests for dispensations

4.1 To consider declarations of interest and requests for dispensations None

5. Minutes of previous meetings

5.1 To consider and agree the minutes of the meeting held on the 9th April 2024 Council agreed the minutes of the meeting held on the 9th April 2024 and they were signed at the meeting

6. Chairman's Report

The Chairman of Swafield and Bradfield Parish Council reported on the priorities for the year, namely, Road Safety and St Nicholas Church.

There had been no movement on Road Safety issues previously, even though steps had been made by the Parish Council to implement changes. After the tragic death of Alfie Brown, things have moved forward. The council has been keeping a record of all accidents in the parish. Speed measuring devices have been used, reflective posts have been installed by the bridge, areas around existing signs have been cleared so that they are visible, new signs have been installed and changes to the speed limits coming into the parish will be reduced before the end of the year.

Alfie's tree and a commemorative plaque will be put into the church yard at St Nicholas Church A lot of fundraising and work is being carried out for and at St Nicholas Church, last year's village fete raised over £5000 which was split between the village hall and the church. The next village fete will be held on the 7th July 2024. Other events being arranged are the National Theatre live evenings and the Cinema

nights.

The Defib is being checked fortnightly and the SAM 2 is being moved regularly. The

council are investigating purchasing a second SAM 2.

7. Public Participation Time

The meeting will be adjourned for a period of 15 minutes) to allow Members of the Public to speak, to receive District and County Councillors reports and any Councillors with prejudicial interests to speak. Note that only items on this Agenda are to be discussed – for any other item/subject please contact the Clerk in writing for submission at a future meeting.

450 People attended the National Garden Scheme, held at Swafield Hall, £2176 was raised for McMillan and £1963 was raised, selling refreshments, which was donated to the Church. The next event will run over three days, 22nd, 23rd and 24th June 2024.

This year's Fete will be open 1 hour earlier this year.

A Parishioner asked why the Defibrillator data was no being updated more regularly on to the reporting system. Cllr Konoshenko said that although the defib was being checked that he did not always complete the information on the reporting system, but would try to complete this more often.

Norfolk Police reported that they were targeting antisocial behaviour in Norfolk, speeding and Noisy Cars, in the area including Swafield and Bradfield there have been 141 investigations this year compared to 161 last year.

Investigations into the death of Alfie are ongoing.

The Speed Safety Team have made 8 visits to the area and 86 offences of speeding have been logged.

Thefts from gardens have been reported in the area, 1 from Trunch and another from Swafield, please report all crimes to the police. The latest target for New Crimes appear to be targeting used cooking oil.

Thanks were made to Jinx for cutting the Church Yard.

8. Matters arising from previous meetings

To report on progress on items from previous meetings. No decisions may be Taken

- 8.1 Second SAM 2 Investigations still ongoing
- 8.2 Water ingress on the road near to the Old Rectory Fixed
- 8.3 Replacement SAM 2 Pole Trunch Road
- 8.4 Overgrown Hedge Bradfield Road/The Street Junction

9. Planning

None

10. Finance

10.1 To consider and agree the bank reconciliation of accounts

Council agreed the bank reconciliation of accounts

10.2 To receive the budget update

The budget update was received

10.3 To receive the internal auditors report

The internal auditors report was received

10.4 To consider, agree and sign the agar

Council agreed the AGAR and this was signed at the meeting

10.5 To consider and agree the dates for the Public Right to Inspect

The dates for the Public Right to inspect were agreed

10.6 To consider and agree the Payments and Receipts

Council agreed the Payments and Receipts

Payments

16.04.2024	Norfolk Parish Training	Training	£48.00
22.04.2022	HMRC	Tax and National Insurance	£52.55
25.04.2022	HMRC	Tax and National Insurance	£52.55

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Salary and Expenses

£254.57

22.05.2024	R Canwell	Internal Audit	£25.00			
22.05.2024	Stuart Hutchinson	Domain Fees	£35.00			
Receipts						
15.04.2024	HMRC	VAT Reclaim	£73.89			
30.04.2024	NNDC	Precept	£2,750.00			

11. Policies, Documents, Communications and Training

None

12. Events

None

13. To report any other business

Note that this is to report matters for inclusion in a future agenda or matters which require no decision to be made by the Council

Council asked for it to be considered that some type of acknowledgement be made for Mr Richard Hayward for his contribution in the Village

Council wished to consider using Bradfield Cricket Club for some of the Council meetings

14. Correspondence

To consider any correspondence and agree responses thereto None

15. Date of Next Meeting

To confirm that the date of the next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on **9th July 2024**, **7pm**, **Swafield Village Hall**

Meeting Closed: 8pm