



Swimbridge Parish Council

**MEETING OF SWIMBRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL
TUESDAY 8th OCTOBER 2019 at 7.30 PM SWIMBRIDGE JUBILEE HALL
MINUTES**

Public Session

Guest Speakers

Cllr Luggar reported that ND Council is reviewing the licensing policy for taxis to safeguard vulnerable passengers by introducing more robust checking procedures.

Cllr Lane reported that he has grant money available – Cllr Wadsworth already has a couple of applications in the pipeline.

Cllr Edgell reported that he attended the Highways meeting at Filleigh Village Hall, and found it quite useful. He also reported news of cost increases in public services.

2019.64 **Apologies and attendance** – apologies received from Cllrs Newnham, Wright and Haworth-Booth. In attendance Cllrs Dodd, Wadsworth, Skinner, Knill and Morrish and District Cllrs Lane and Luggar and County Cllr Edgell.

2019.65 **Declarations of Interest - None**

2019.66 **Minutes of previous meeting – these were agreed and signed.**

2019.67 **Correspondence**

C Muirhead, Swimbridge PCC – joint celebration for 100 year anniversary of war memorial. The clerk was instructed to reply to Mrs Muirhead to say that the Parish Council would be happy to support any initiative the PCC may have, but that we are unable to offer any financial assistance.

Sandra Tibbles, Headteacher at Swimbridge School sent a copy of a letter she has sent to highways re parking at the school. The clerk was instructed to draft a letter of support for this request which can be fine-tuned at the next meeting. Cllr Edgell reported that Landkey Parish Council have already had a reply to their letter to Highways regarding the use of the road through Landkey/Swimbridge when works are being carried out on the A361, and the problems this will cause. They have been informed that it is the intention that the A361 will not be closed during the redevelopment, and that no works were being considered to help the villages during this time. It was decided that our letter to Highway (Mr Simon Hill) would focus on the school safety aspect and not the use of the road as a diversion.

2019.68 **Committee Reports**

1. **Planning** – nothing to discuss at the moment, but there may be a couple of contentious issues coming up.
2. **Finance** – a meeting is to be arranged for budgeting for next year.

3. **Community Engagement/Glebe Field** – Cllr Wadsworth reported that the Glebe Field committee are now choosing play equipment and applying for grants to make the funds up to cover the costs. He also reported that finally a decision should be forthcoming with regard to the planning application and thanked Cllr Lane for his assistance in pressing this forward. He is hoping for a decision by Friday of this week. The Glebe Field committee is anxious to get this permission agreed, as there is a funding application going in to Viridor, which they will not consider unless planning permission is in place. Cllr Wadsworth also reported that the Swimming Twinning Association, which has now disbanded, has a sundial which was gifted to them by their French counterparts, and have asked if it could be erected somewhere on the Glebe Field. It was agreed that Cllr Wadsworth will inform them that there is nowhere suitable at the moment, but it could be offered to the Village Hall, or the school.

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Payments for approval :

Clerks Salary	£160.72
A&M Contractors	£420.00

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Matters for further discussion

Report to enforcement – erection of summer house at 8 Liverton Drive

Report to highways about unsatisfactory resurfacing at Hooda Close – potholes have been left unfilled.

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