

**MEETING OF SWIMBRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MONDAY 14<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2022 at 7.30 PM SWIMBRIDGE JUBILEE HALL**

## MINUTES

### Public Session

Several members of the public attended the meeting to discuss the parking situation in Church Lane. This is a common problem in narrow lanes where householders have more than one car to park. Cllr Wadsworth stated that although the Parish Council doesn't have much power to solve these issues, we are very happy to provide a platform for discussion. Rumours had been circulating that there were plans to install double yellow lines - Cllr Henderson confirmed that this was definitely not the case. The householders present discussed issues around parking, wheelie bins and recycling, Hopefully the situation will be eased through these discussions.

### Guest Speakers

Cllr Henderson reported on the difficult position Devon County Council's budget is in. Children's Services and Adult Social Care is way over budget and facing a huge shortfall with no relief anticipated from Government. Spending cuts will have to be made, including cuts to the planned improvements on the link road.

The clerk had emailed Cllr Henderson to ask about reduction of speed limits through the village, Cllr Henderson reported that the Speed Monitoring van was now based in South Molton and could be asked to attend to monitor speeds through Swimbridge. If we are intending to go ahead with an application to reduce the speed limit we should start consultation as soon as possible. It would also be a good time to consider the speed limit between Swimbridge and Landkey. The clerk will check the Jubilee Hall bookings for available dates in January for a consultation day.

**ACTION LW**

Cllr Lane reported that he has had sight of an email from Griffiths which seemed to suggest that they are only going to supply the planings for the path in the park, and not carry out any of the work. The clerk will ask Julie Whitton to follow up on this.

**ACTION LW**

- 2022.56**      **Apologies and attendance** – no apologies received all in attendance
- 2022.57**      **Declarations of Interest** – Cllr Wadsworth declared a pecuniary interest in Item 2022.61(2) Clerks salary  
Clerk LW also declared an interest in this item as it will discuss her salary.
- 2022.58**      **Minutes of previous meeting** – these were agreed and signed
- 2022.59**      **Brought forward from previous meetings:**  
Play equipment checks. Cllr Knill has received an email from Andrew Moulton who will check to see if he would be allowed to carry out the routine checks in the park, and if he is not he will recommend a local company. Cllr Dennis will pass the folder back to Cllr Wadsworth. Cllrs Wadsworth and Knill have carried out visual checks and will note this in the file. He reported that the Zipwire seat will need adjusting for smaller children, as it was designed for the

