

St Andrews Parish Council

**DRAFT Minutes of the Extraordinary Council Meeting
Held on Wednesday 18th April 2018 at 8:00pm
at Redhouse Community Centre, Frankel Avenue, Swindon**

Councillors Present: Jean Blake, Sue Cole, Deborah Donohoe, Mary Friend, Tim Owen, Vera Tomlinson (Chairman), Melanie Woods, Kevin Woods and Vince Williams*

*arrived 20:55

Officer Present: Emma Sylvester

Public Present: None

195 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllr Ricketts and Cllr Williams

196 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

None

**197 MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 14 MARCH 2018
RESOLVED**

That the Minutes be approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

198 CHAIRMANS ANNOUCEMENTS

None

199 PUBLIC RECESS

There no members of the public present.

200 COUNCILLOR VACANCY

With no one wishing to stand as Councillor the Clerk reported that she would advertise the vacancy again.

201 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Members considered 3 planning applications.

RESOLVED

S/HOU/18/0493

Re: Erection of a two storey rear extension and front porch.

At: 2 Ascott Close, Redhouse Swindon SN25 2EP

No objections

S/ADV/18/0318

Re: Display of various non-illuminated signage.

At: Land At Lady Lane, Lady Lane Swindon

No objections

S/RES/18/0500

Re: Erection of 161no. dwellings and associated landscape and infrastructure.

Reserved Matters from previous permission S/17/0239

At: Parcel 4.5 and 4.6 Tadpole Garden Village Swindon

No objections

202 DAMAGED VERGES

(i) It was noted that Swindon Borough Council would not grant permission for matting to be installed on the verges at the entrance to the shopping car park at Highdown Way.

- (ii) Members discussed correspondence received from Swindon Borough Council regarding possible solutions.

RESOLVED

To plant trees on the verge at the entrance to the shopping car park at Highdown Way, if allowed, at a cost of no more than £100. Cllr K Woods and Cllr S Cole to ask Jovial Monk to choose the type of trees.

203

PLAY AREAS

- (i) It was noted that the Chairman, Vice Chairman and Clerk had met with Swindon Borough Council's Property Assets Manager on Wednesday 18th April 2018 to discuss Play Areas. The Chairman reported that the Parish Council maintains play areas at Warrener Close, Standen Way, Highdown Way, Wallis Drive, Corbett Close, Buscott Close, Bridlewood, Brook Park, Butleigh Road and Eastbury Way. The Chairman added that Bergman Close had been taken away and at the time of signing the maintenance agreement play areas at Addinsell and Delius were still with the developers.

RESOLVED

To arrange a meeting with Swindon Borough Council's Asset Strategy Manager to clarify the situation with Addinsell and Delius before agreeing to a 99 year lease.

- (ii) It was agreed to defer discussion of the Play Area Inspection Reports until the next meeting.

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INSURANCE

Members discussed additional insurance covers.

RESOLVED

- (i) To accept the following:
Legal Expenses - £90.65 based on standard cover and £100K Limit Indemnity
Persona Accident - £63.84 based on cover for 1 x Clerical Employee and 1 x Manual Employee
- (ii) To ask the Clerk to obtain further information regarding insurance of Play Equipment as follows:
Excess amount
What is covered
Are play surfaces included

205

SECTION 106 MONEY

The Chairman explained to Councillors the difference between Section 106 Money and CIL payments as well as the amounts expected to be given to the Parish. After some discussions it was **RESOLVED** to invest any large sums of money in land for the benefit of the community if allowed.

206

PARISH LOGO

Members discussed draft logos received and rejected all.

RESOLVED

Clerk to go back to designed to come back with further designs.

207

NORTH SWINDON LIBRARY

The Clerk reported that the Parish Council is unable to revisit the decision made in December 2017 to not fund additional library hours at North Swindon Library in 2018/19 for 6 months. She also informed members that the Parish Council does not have the power to spend money on libraries run by a local authority.

RESOLVED

For Clerk to contact Swindon Borough Council to discuss invoices.

208

NORTH SWINDON COMMUNITY FUN DAY

RESOLVED

To give permission for North Swindon Community Group to hold a Fun Day at Brook Park on Saturday 1st September 2018.

209 MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTS REPORT

The management reports up to 28th February 2018 were noted

**210 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT
RESOLVED**

To approve payroll, direct payments and invoices to 31st March 2018 amounting to £52,183.60

211 Members resolved to exclude members of the public as the business to be transacted contained personal information pertaining to staff members and confidential business.

212 CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS