



# ST ANDREWS PARISH COUNCIL

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**DRAFT Minutes of the Full Council Meeting**  
**Held on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2019 at 7:00pm**  
**at Redhouse Community Centre, Frankel Avenue, Swindon**

**Councillors Present:** Daniel Adams, Sue Cole, Mary Friend, Tim Owen, Vera Tomlinson, Melanie Woods, Kevin Woods and Vince Williams  
**Officer Present:** Emma Sylvester  
**Public:** Michelle Cole and Angus McPherson

**183 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**  
Jean Blake and Derek Ricketts

**184 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS**  
None

**185 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES  
RESOLVED**

That the minutes of the meetings held on 13<sup>th</sup> February 2019 be approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

**186 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Chairman made the following announcements:

- (i) She had attended the unveiling of the defibrillator at the Jovial Monk with other Councillors and several members of the public had shown an interest in becoming a Parish Councillor.
- (ii) The Chairman announced that the Parish Council has no intention to close Wallis Drive Play Area and the Play Area and Open Spaces committee has resolved to take this over from Swindon Borough Council. It is hoped that improvements will be made to the play area but this depends on the generosity of Swindon Borough Council.
- (iii) The Table Top Sale which was held on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> February took £78.00 however if the event was to be held again improvements in marketing would be required. The centre was full with stallholders however footfall was low.
- (iv) The Chairman reported that she had visited hirers of the hall who had fallen behind with payments and had managed to secure payments and agreement moving.

Cllr Tim Owen expressed his thanks to the Chairman for her work on issues such as Wallis Drive Play Area and retrieval of money owed for Redhouse Community Centre bookings.

**187 PUBLIC RECESS**  
No public present

**188 WILTSHIRE POLICE AND CRIMES COMMISSIONER**

The Chairman welcomed Angus McPherson, who reported that Wiltshire was a safe county due to effective policing. He explained the numbers of policing staff including the statistics of gender, uniformed and civilian, special constables and from April there would be a return of Armed Police and Traffic officers. He reported that he was pleased to see the Parish Council

working with the police i.e. anti-social behaviour at Lady Lane and the Community Safety Group.

Members asked questions on knife crime, punishment and sentencing and discussions continued on these issues along with crime prevention work.

**189 POLLINATOR PATHWAYS**

The Chairman welcomed Michelle Cole who presented a proposal on Pollinator Pathways. After some questions and discussion, it was agreed to refer this item to the Play Areas and Open Spaces committee.

**190 COUNCILLOR ALLOWANCES**

**RESOLVED**

To set Councillor Allowances for 2019/20 as follows:

Annual Allowance for Councillors - £1,069

Annual Allowance for Vice Chairman - £2,138

Annual Allowance for Chairman - £3,207

To approve policy on Councillor Allowances as attached to these minutes in the minute book Clerk to circulate appropriate forms

**191 WASTE COLLECTION**

Members discussed quotation received for waste collections.

**RESOLVED**

To accept quotation received from Swindon Borough Council at a cost of:

£16.50 per collection for 1 x 1100L Commercial Waste

£9.50 per collection for 1 x 1100L Recycling

£50 annually for 1 x 240L Green Waste

**192 GRIT BINS**

Members discussed additional grit bins in the parish and agreed to request in the following areas:

Tortworth/Twineham/Stanford

Fitwell/Gaveller/Birkdale

Kindgom/Isambard

Dunley/Barcote/Ironstone

Elgar/Addinsell/Dowland/Britten

Purcell/Truscott

Tadpole Garden Village

Abbey Farm

Lyall Close at Top

The Caravan Park

Wallis/Thornhill/Northbourne

**193 NEWSLETTER**

Members discussed quotation received from Swindon Link to distribute newsletter or include within the magazine. It was agreed to defer this to the next meeting when further quotations had been received.

**194 COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUPS**

Members noted the minutes of the following meetings:

Events Working Group – 11<sup>th</sup> February 2019

Redhouse Community Centre Committee – 13<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> February 2019

Play Areas and Open Spaces – 26<sup>th</sup> February 2019

**195 PURCHASE OF LAND AT REDHOUSE**

The Chairman reported that Swindon Borough Council have approve the use of S106 money to purchase land at Redhouse and confirmation is waited for the release of CIL funds. The

total amount available is £285,872.74 with a shortfall of £49,127.26 which has been previously approved by the Parish Council to come from General Reserves.

**196 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT  
RESOLVED**

To approve payroll, direct payments and invoices for February 2019 totalling £12,777.24 (attached) which have been checked by Cllr Sue Cole.

The meeting closed at 9:22pm.

**Chairman** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date** \_\_\_\_\_