

St Andrews Parish Council

DRAFT Minutes of the Full Council Meeting
Held on Wednesday 18th December 2019 at 7:00pm
at Redhouse Community Centre, Frankel Avenue, Swindon

Councillors Present: Daniel Adams, Mary Friend, Steve Heyes, Paul Morris, Tim Owen, Fran Quarterman, Steven Pipe, Vera Tomlinson and Vince Williams
Officer Present: Emma Sylvester
Public Present: None

110. APOLOGIES

Jean Blake and Paul Morris

111. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

None

112. MINUTES RESOLVED

To accept with a minor addition and sign the minutes of the last meetings held on 13th November 2019 as a true record.

113. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

- (i) The Chairman reported that there were still issues with residents parking in Redhouse Community Centre car park. The Clerk reported that signs were yet to be installed and a letter to residents still needs to be sent. The Clerk agreed to obtain further information regarding clamping.
- (ii) The Chairman reported that she would be holding a meeting regarding next year's election and requested attendance by those wishing to stand again.

114. PUBLIC RECESS

No public present

115. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Members discussed four planning applications:

RESOLVED

1 – S/19/1798 Aldi Foodstore, Latham Road, Abbey Meads, Swindon
Erection of single storey extension and external works

No objections

2 – S/HOU/19/1779 14 Richardson Road SN25 4DS
Erection of a single storey rear extension

No objections

3 – S/19/1676 Green Street, Tadpole Garden Village SN26 8DZ

Erection of a public house with staff accommodation, micro-brewery and associated parking

No objections so long as consideration is given to the provision of electric car charging points.

4 – S/HOU/19/1802 14 Nolan Close, St Andrews Ridge SN25 4GP

Erection of a single storey side/rear extension

No objections

116. REDHOUSE COMMUNITY CENTRE

- (i) Members noted correspondence received from Swindon Borough Council stating that the Redhouse Community Centre lease is due for renewal on 31st August 2020 and any request for permission for new works could be documented/included within any new

agreement. Members discussed whether to renew the lease along with the possibility of purchasing the building from Swindon Borough Council.

RESOLVED

For Cllrs Tomlinson and Williams to meet with Swindon Borough Council to ask if St Andrews Parish Council can purchase Redhouse Community Centre.

- (ii) The Clerk reported that quotes had not been received for electrical works at Redhouse Community Centre.

RESOLVED

To delegate decision to Chairman and Clerk as per Standing Orders and Financial Regulations.

117. PURCHASE OF REDHOUSE LAND

Members discussed correspondence received from Swindon Borough Council regarding further information required for the release of S106 funds for the purchase of land at Redhouse.

Members discussed the purchase of land and funding.

RESOLVED

To send letter to Swindon Borough Council confirming that the Parish Council requests transfer of S106 funds for the purchase of land at Redhouse village centre from Crest Nicholson. The land will be used for open space and the provision of extra car parking spaces.

The cost of the land is £325,000.00 and Swindon Borough Council has provided figures of potential funding as £286,826.17 leaving a remainder of £38,173.83 to be paid from Parish Council General Reserves.

To include in the letter that an agreement in principle has been received from North Swindon Development Consortium and that the Parish Council will manage and maintain the land.

118. COMMUNITY FUN DAY

Members discussed taking over the Community Fun Day held in Brook Park from North Swindon Community Group.

RESOLVED

To not take over the running of this Community Fun Day held in Brook Park.

119. PLAY AREAS

- (i) Cllr Williams reported that he had met with an officer of Swindon Borough Council with Cllr Blake to discuss the repairs needed to Wallis Drive play park. The officer was requesting the Parish Council fund the repairs. Cllr Tomlinson reported that she had been in discussions with SBC to request funds for the repairs however the Leader of SBC had said there is no money for play parks. Cllr Tomlinson has since been in contact with the Cabinet Member for play parks and is hopeful that SBC will provide funds.

RESOLVED

To continue discussions with Swindon Borough Council

- (ii) Members discussed the renewal agreement with Swindon Borough Council for play park inspections.

RESOLVED

To approve the annual cost of £5864.82 + VAT from Swindon Borough Council to carry out weekly play area inspections in ten play parks.

120. ACCOUNTS

- (i) **RESOLVED** to approve payroll, direct payments and invoices for November 2019 totalling £11,081.82
- (ii) **RESOLVED** to change the Councillor checking accounts on a monthly basis to Cllr Fran Quarterman.

121. COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

RESOLVED to approve Cllr Quarterman taking Cllr Tomlinson's place on the Planning Committee.

The meeting closed at 9.00pm.

Chairman _____

Date _____