

**MINUTES OF THE SWINFEN AND PACKINGTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT THE  
CONFERENCE CENTRE, HMP SWINFEN ON WEDNESDAY 07 JULY 2021  
COMMENCING AT 7.00 PM**

**PRESENT**

Councillor Barnes in the Chair  
Councillors Dyott, Loescher, Mrs Phillips and Mrs Pope

**In attendance:**

Ms J Minor, Parish Clerk

**PARISH FORUM**

No members of the public were present.

**17. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

None submitted.

**18. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None declared.

**19. MINUTES**

**RESOLVED** That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 05 May 2021 [Minute Nos. 1-16] as circulated, be approved as a correct record.

**20. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Staffordshire County Council consultation to Hints and Canwell & Swinfen and Packington Parish Councils in connection with planning application L.19/04/805-808 MW – Hints Quarry, Watling Street, Hints**

The Chairman referred to the above planning application [which had been circulated to Members]. Members raised concerns and asked what was the justification for the increase in traffic in Jerry's Lane and also the additional noise which would be generated.

**Resolved** That the Parish Clerk emails the Parish Council's concerns to [planning@staffordshire.gov.uk](mailto:planning@staffordshire.gov.uk)

**Packington Hall**

Councillor Barnes informed Members that the redevelopment was progressing well, and it was rumoured that it should be habitable from September 2021 however currently there was no windows in the Hall. At the moment, they are putting up fencing and tarmacking the drive. Councillor Barnes informed

Members that he was having a site meeting [08 July 2021] and would be having an intensive look at the redevelopment.

## **21. MRS MELANIE PHILLIPS**

It was proposed by Councillor Barnes, seconded by Councillor Mrs Pope and

**RESOLVED** That Mrs Melanie Ann Phillips be co-opted onto the Parish Council with effect from 07 July 2021. Mrs Phillips signed her Declaration of Acceptance of Office and completed her Register of Members Interests Form, the latter of which would be forwarded to Lichfield District Council.

## **22. THE HIGH-SPEED RAIL PLANS**

Councillor Barnes informed Members that he and other Members had done the "Farm Walk" [17 HS2 representatives and 9 members of the public] and it was clear that lots of mistakes had been made. Following emails sent to HS2, Councillor Barnes felt that the replies that the Parish Council had received were not satisfactory.

**RESOLVED** That Councillor Barnes would draft an email to HS2 to be sent by the Parish Clerk.

## **23. CIL MONIES**

Councillor Barnes suggested that some of the CIL monies could be used on tree planting [two bunds of land along Jerry's Lane]. Councillor Loescher pointed out that HS2 have no obligation to plant trees.

**RESOLVED** That the Parish Clerk would make enquiries of Lichfield District Council to ask whether or not CIL monies could be used for this purpose.

Councillor Dyott informed Members that he thought that Whittington and Fisherwick Environmental Group were using CIL monies to install electric charger points in the church car park.

Councillor Barnes informed Members that he had been approached by the Young Farmers and he thought that they had been given some CIL monies via Whittington Parish Council to purchase some equipment.

Councillor Barnes informed Members that he had seen members of the public waiting for a bus opposite the Horse and Jockey on Tamworth Road, Freeford and outside Whittington Barracks [opposite the Parish Council's already newly installed [replacement] bus shelter]. Councillor Barnes suggested a simple walk-through type bus shelter.

**RESOLVED** That the Parish Clerk obtains a quotation for two new bus shelters at locations where there is previously none and makes enquiries of Staffordshire County Council if it is possible to locate bus shelters at these locations.

**24. POLICE, FIRE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR STAFFORDSHIRE**

**RESOLVED** That Ben Adams, the Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner for Staffordshire [with effect from 06 May 2021] be noted.

**25. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

**RESOLVED** That under the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 (Section 2) (and as expended by Section 100 of the Local Government Act 1972), the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information.

**26. PARISH CLERK'S SALARY**

**RESOLVED** That cheques be drawn in respect of the Parish Clerk's June 2021 [**cheque number 100602**] and July 2021 [**cheque number 100605**] salary, HMRC - June 2021 [**cheque number 100601**], Staffordshire Pension Fund - June 2021 [**cheque number 100600**], HMRC - July 2021 [**cheque number 100604**] and Staffordshire Pension Fund - July 2021 [**cheque number 100603**].

**27. DATE AND TIME FOR NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

**RESOLVED** That:  
Wednesday 15 September 2021  
Wednesday 10 November 2021  
Wednesday 19 January 2022  
Wednesday 23 March 2022  
Wednesday 18 May 2022

All meetings will commence at 7.00 pm.

[The Meeting closed at 7.30 pm]

Signed .....

Dated .....