

**MINUTES OF THE SWINFEN AND PACKINGTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT
THE CONFERENCE ROOM 1, CONFERENCE CENTRE, HMP SWINFEN ON
WEDNESDAY 12 SEPTEMBER 2012 COMMENCING AT 7.00 P.M.**

PRESENT

Councillor J Barnes in the Chair
Councillors R Barnes, Mrs Bennett and Stubbs

In attendance:

Ms J Minor, Parish Clerk
Mr R Dyott of Freeford Manor, Lichfield, WS14 9QL

PUBLIC FORUM

See Minute No. 51 – the High Speed Rail Plans.

46. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillors Armstrong and Stowe.

47. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Stubbs declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 14 - application no. 12/00653/ABN - Swinfen Farm Developments, Home Farm, London Road, Lichfield.

48. MINUTES

RESOLVED That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 11 July 2012 (Minute Nos. 29 - 45) as circulated, be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

49. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no chairman's announcements.

50. HOPWAS QUARRY

Members were informed that quad bikes were continuing to be heard on Hopwas Quarry and concern was expressed by Members regarding public safety. It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Bennett, duly seconded and

RESOLVED (1) That a letter be sent to the Police expressing the concerns of the Parish Council and asking that they frequent the area at the weekend.

(2) That an item on Hopwas Quarry continue to be included on the next agenda.

51. THE HIGH SPEED RAIL PLANS

Councillor J Barnes and Mr Dyott gave a verbal update on HS2. It was proposed by Councillor J Barnes, duly seconded and

RESOLVED That an item on the High Speed Rail Plans (HS2) continue to be included on the next agenda.

52. AUDIT COMMISSION

It was proposed by Councillor Stubbs, duly seconded by Councillor Mrs Bennett and

RESOLVED That a cheque be drawn in the sum of £60 (**cheque no. 100202**).

53. CHANGES TO LICHFIELD LOCAL POLICING UNIT

It was proposed by Councillor R Barnes, duly seconded by Councillor Mrs Bennett and

RESOLVED That the email circulated to all Members from Inspector Jed White updating the Parish Council regarding changes within the Lichfield Local Policing Unit be received and noted.

54. THE A38 TRUNK ROAD (A5148/A5206 ROUNDABOUT, LICHFIELD, STAFFORDSHIRE) (DE-RESTRICTION) ORDER 2012

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Bennett, duly seconded by Councillor J Barnes and

RESOLVED That the Order circulated to all Members from the Secretary of State for Transport be received and noted.

55. DISABILITY PARTNERSHIP PANEL - NEWSLETTER

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Bennett, duly seconded and

RESOLVED That the Disability Partnership Panel Newsletter circulated to all Members be received and noted.

56. HS2 NEWS UPDATE

It was proposed by Councillor J Barnes, duly seconded and

RESOLVED That the first HS2 News Update circulated to all Members from Doug Oakervee CBE, Chairman of HS2 Limited be received and noted.

57. POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER LETTER TO PARISH COUNCILS AND LEAFLET

It was proposed by Councillor R Barnes, duly seconded and

RESOLVED That the Police and Crime Commissioner Letter and Leaflet circulated to all Members from County Councillor Matthew Ellis be received and noted.

58. A GUIDE FOR COUNCILLORS – OPENNESS AND TRANSPARENCY ON PERSONAL INTERESTS

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Bennett, duly seconded and

RESOLVED That the 'Guide for Councillors – Openness and Transparency on Personal Interests' circulated to all Members from the Department for Communities and Local Government be received and noted.

59. PLANNING DECISIONS

12/00503/FUL – HM YOUNG OFFENDERS INSTITUTE, THE DRIVE, SWINFEN
12/00653/ABN – SWINFEN FARM DEVELOPMENTS, HOME FARM, SWINFEN

It was proposed by Councillor J Barnes, duly seconded by Councillor Stubbs and

RESOLVED That the planning decisions be received and noted.

60. 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.

61. PARISH CLERK'S SALARY

It was proposed by Councillor J Barnes, duly seconded by Councillor R Barnes and

RESOLVED That cheques be drawn in respect of the Parish Clerk's August 2012 (**cheque no. 100203**) and September 2012 (**cheque no. 100204**) salary and Staffordshire Pension Fund – October 2012 (**cheque no. 100206**), Inland Revenue – October 2012 (**cheque no. 100205**), Staffordshire Pension Fund – November 2012 (**cheque no. 100208**) and Inland Revenue – November 2012 (**cheque no. 100207**).

62. DATE, VENUE AND TIME FOR NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLVED That Wednesday 21 November 2012 in the Conference Room 1, Conference Centre, HMP Swinfen commencing 7.00 p.m. be confirmed as the next Parish Council meeting.

(The Meeting closed at 7.35 p.m.)

Signed

Dated