

SMALLEY PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of Smalley Parish Council Annual Meeting held on Monday 20th May 2024
At 7.30pm at the Church Hall, Smalley

47/24 Present

M Gallimore (Chair), L Pizzey, J Walker MBE, G Rogers, W Judson, A Paget
J Ainsworth M Thomson J Saddington and S Yeomans

38/24 Election of Chair

All members were in favour and agreed that Cllr M Gallimore will be Chair for the ensuing year.

39/24 Election of Vice-Chairman

All members were in favour and agreed that Cllr L Pizzey will be Vice-Chairman for the ensuing year.

40/24 Declaration of Office Forms to be signed by all Councillors.

All councillors signed the declaration of office forms before the Clerk.

42/24 Election of Members to Planning Working Party

All members agreed that Cllr Gallimore to continue on the working party along with Cllr S Yeomans.

43/24 Election of Members to Finance Working Party

All members agreed that Cllr L Pizzey, Cllr Rogers, Cllr Gallimore and Cllr S Yeomans to be elected to the Finance Working Party.

44/24 *Public Questions*

None

45/24 *County Councillors Report*

Cllr Paget reported that there will be a meeting with the representatives of the National Grid and County Councillors regarding the proposed upgrading of the Grid this week. It was noted that if residents would like further information, there is to be a public information event at Kilburn Village Hall on Monday 3rd June from 2pm until 7pm.

Cllr Paget has contacted Amber Valley about the areas of the village which require mowing, however it was reported that the mower was broken but Amber Valley would trim the areas where possible.

The car which has been left in the ditch on Wood Lane after an accident has finally been removed.

Cllr Paget has asked Derbyshire County Council to look into the road signage in this area.

Clerk to arrange for Mr N Tadman to cut the grass verge on the corner of Wilmot Drive as this is a safety concern.

The Clerk and Cllr Paget to contact Derbyshire County Council about the areas in the village which require strimming.

46/24 Apologies

Cllr T Ainsworth

47/24 Declaration of Members Interests

RESOLVED: Members agreed to take any Declarations of Members Interests as they occur in the meeting.

47/24 Minutes of Meeting held on April 2024

Item 44/24 vi) Cllr Paget declared an interest in this matter.

Cllr J Walker proposed the minutes were a correct record and Cllr W Judson seconded the proposal, all members agreed, and the Chair duly signed the minutes.

43/24 Planning

Cllr Paget reported that a planning application for the Solar Farm will not be submitted until 2025/2026.

AVA/2024/0245 Two storey extension
134A Heanor Road – No objections

AVA/2024/0255 Loft conversion to include front and rear dormer.
9 Dobholes Lane – No objections

44/24 Report of the Clerk

a) Playground Inspection

Cllr Rogers has inspected the playgrounds and found them to be in good order.

Additional bark to be put down on Stainsby Meadow playground in the near future.

Groundsman to install a replacement ring on to the play equipment on Dobholes Lane.

The football season has finished, and the adults will be using the pitch if the ground is suitable for use.

The Groundsman will be strimming around the play equipment on Dobholes Lane Recreation Ground.

The ditch at the bottom of Dobholes Lane Recreation Ground has been cleared.

The rope slide bottom step on Stainsby Meadow requires repairs, Clerk to ask Mr Goodwin to replace.

The weeds have been sprayed, Clerk to ask the lengthsman to trim.

Clerk to ask Mr Goodwin if he could install the new part on the conical swing.

b) *Litter Bins*

Amber Valley replied to email regarding litter bins in the village, this was noted.

c) *Audit 2023/2024*

The clerk circulated the completed Annual Internal Audit Report to Councillors and completed sections 1 and 2 of the AGAR.

Cllr J Walker proposed, and Cllr G Rogers seconded that the Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2023/24 section 1 and 2 be approved, all members agreed.

d) *Updating of Financial Regulations*

Members agreed that the Clerk and Cllr S Yeomans look at the new financial regulations for the next meeting.

e) *Land Registry*

The solicitors explained that the land registry application could not be dealt with any quicker. Cllr Yeomans to contact the land registry.

45/24 Finance

Monthly Financial report has been previously circulated.

Cllr W Judson proposed, and Cllr L Pizzey seconded that the following payments be made.

Payments

Shelter Maintenance	£92.00
Salaries/expenses/Pension/HMRC	£1997.10
Insurance Renewal	£3331.11
Smalley Pre School grant	£160.00
Derbyshire County Council	

Licence for welcome sign Church Lane	£105.00
Glasdon Bench Seat	£441.06
Derbyshire County Council – Pension	£93.13
N Tadman	£404.00
S Manners – website support	£360.00

Clerk to arrange for the burial ground to be cut once by Mr Rose.

Cllr J Ainsworth to look at putting tpo on the trees in the Tavern Plantation.

46/24 Correspondence

Derbyshire County Council – Notification of withdrawal of enforcement notice issued – Barden Farm – Noted

The meeting closed at 8.34 pm.