

SWANNINGTON WITH ALDERFORD AND LITTLE WITCHINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Parish Council held at St Margaret's Church, Swannington on Wednesday 19th
July 2017 at 7:40pm**

Present:

Tim Prail (chairman)	Hazel Nelson (minutes)
Trevor Nelson (from item 5)	Greg Peck (County councillor)
Steve Williams	Patricia Kirby (new clerk)
Steve Griggs	

1. **Apologies** HM, family visiting; MR, on holiday; TN late, family matters

2. **Declarations of Interest.** None

3. **Approval of the minutes of the meeting held on 3rd May 2017**

It was resolved to approve the minutes as a true and accurate record

4. **Matters Arising.**

- Bus Shelter – ongoing Action SG
- Village Sign – ongoing (SG), SW to ask his son to photograph elements of the sign Action SG/SW
- Bus shelter improvement will happen after removal of old phone box; NCC in contact with BT. Action TP
- Reepham Road/Upgate junction – new engineer in place, Chris Mayes, who will need to consider the drainage problem, never properly resolved, in addition to the considerable wear and tear caused by constant use by heavy lorries Action TP
- Station Road Housing – the original scheme remains in place. Fly tipping and vandalism are a concern, so councillors must be vigilant.
- Cheque delivered for *Pilgrim*
- The Alder hedge has been cut back, but another section of hedge, belonging to “Highways” now requires attention. Action TP
- “Hastings Parker Fund” trustees to deal with growth on well roof.

5. **Finance** – Accounts attached

1. **It was resolved to agree the following payments:-**

	£
• TCV - HLS - (retrospective)	20.28
• Council Insurance, Came & Company - (retrospective)	597.52
• Repair to strimmer – (retrospective)	30.00
• Treating tree stumps and Japanese knotweed –HLS-(retrospective)	125.00
• NCC PPS hard standing bus stop area 50%	1,250.00
• Transfer of play area land, balance of solicitor fees	1,384.00
• 2 bottles wine as thank you token internal auditor	14.00
2. Payment received from Play Area re: pest control	90.00
3. Donations toward play area legal fees	3,105.00
4. Received from rpa	1,037.75
5. Transparency grant for laptop & printer	536.00

6. **Commons** – Report attached

- The boardwalk, damaged by the horse, will be repaired. People do not wish to see a plethora of signs but maybe an extra one at each end to highlight the dangers.
- Footpaths on Alderford Common are a problem with very tall bracken. Ian has tried but it requires continuous effort.

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7. **Highways**

- TP keeping abreast of NDR developments.

8. **Play Area**

- Now under the ownership of the council.

9. **Planning**

- Hornsea 3 cabling cuts through Hall Road
- Concern raised as agricultural land has been used to extend the curtilage of Green Barn, Alderford. BDC states that this will not set a precedent for agricultural land becoming residential as each case is considered upon its merits.

10. **Correspondence**

- Council nameplates – does the council have a view on adding extra information to a road nameplate?
Yes – it is a waste of money. **Action HN**

11. **AOB**

- Hornsea meeting on August 10th TP to attend **Action HN**
 - Next meeting Wednesday September 20th 2017
- Meeting closed 8:20pm

