

SWALLOWCLIFFE PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the meeting
held at Swallowcliffe Village Hall
on **Thursday 27th September 2018** at 7.00pm



Present: Cllr. S Banas (Chairman)
Cllr. L Boothman
Cllr. G Blundell
Cllr. N Cooke

In Attendance: Cllr J. Green (Wiltshire Councillor)
Simon Pritchard (Parish Clerk)

Members of the Public: 0

Before the meeting started Cllr Blundell emptied and counted the Village Hall electricity coin box meter. The total was £57, witnessed by the Clerk.

Public participation: (No public present)

ITEM	
32	<p><u>Apologies for Absence:</u> Apologies had been received Mr Fitzpatrick (Flood Warden)</p>
33	<p><u>Declaration of Pecuniary Interests & Dispensations:</u> None</p>
34	<p><u>Adoption of Minutes:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 21st June 2018 – Council Meeting <p>The minutes of the Council meeting on the 21st June 2018 were confirmed as accurate and proposed for adoption by the Chairman this was seconded by Cllr Blundell and resolved unanimously. The Chairman duly signed the minutes.</p>
35	<p><u>Wiltshire Councillor Jose Green's report:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The 'YMCA' badge on the chalk downs has been restored. • Salisbury will have free parking after 3pm from next Monday. • The review of Wiltshire council division boundaries shows that the Fovant and Chalke Valley district (that Swallowcliffe is in) needs to lose some electorate, but as Swallowcliffe sits in the middle of the ward it is unlikely to affect Swallowcliffe. The number of councillors is set to stay at 98 over the whole of Wiltshire, the process now is to adjust the wards to make them even in electorate numbers. • Lucy's law soon to be introduced, most people will now need to be licenced to keep animals in any sort of commercial way. • Community Land Trust now set up in Tisbury, called 'Nadder'. It's looking for small parcels of land around Tisbury to build homes on.
36	<p><u>Parish Councillors' report:</u></p> <p>A Chairman's report & notices: Cllr. S Banas</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The phone box has been fixed. Still some talk about turning it into a poetry library, this is not being pursued for now. Note: At the last Annual Parish Meeting, the majority were content for it to stay a working phone box. • The defibrillator pads have had to be replaced as the current ones are about to expire. • Seven litter pickers have been bought at a cost of £20.00, will be looking to reclaim this cost from the council at the next meeting.

- B The Village Hall committee:** Cllr. G Blundell
 The village hall account has now been audited the bank balance has increased by over £1,400 in the year (the audited accounts are attached to these minutes). The Clerk will register the return with the charity commission.
Action – The Clerk
 The village halls insurance company has asked that the contents of the hall is listed, this work has been started.
- C SW Wiltshire Council area board:** Cllr. S Banas
Members had been circulated the minutes
- Many forms from Wiltshire council to households for the electoral register have not been returned, households face a £12 fine.
 - Community speed watch and poaching a priority for the police.
 - Many events are planned for Salisbury and Ambury as part of the recovery program. A lot of money coming from central government.
- D Footpaths, rights of way & transport:**
 The Chairman has become involved with trying to ensure that the permissive access (several footpaths and bridle paths) around Swallowcliffe Downs is kept. Members agreed for the Chairman to write to the landowner to offer support to keep the access open.
Action – Cllr Banas
- E Highways (Inc Parish Steward):** Cllr. S Banas
- The new SID is currently in Ansty as the first village to get to use it. The risk assessment has been fully completed (copy attached to minutes)
 - The feasibility study for the 20MPH speed limit will soon be underway, this will involve the fitting of 12 sets of strips across the road at different points throughout the Village. Several changes in original locations have been suggested to Wiltshire Council by the Chairman.
 - Community speed watch has not been progressed at this time, 13 people said they are willing to help, needs someone with the time to take it on and progress.
- F Local planning & development:** Cllr. G Blundell
- It was reported at the last meeting by a member of the public, that the Manor solar panels may not be being built in accordance with the planning permission. Cllr Blundell has taken a look and it seems that 20 of the 42 panels have been installed so far, no screening has been planted as yet. The inspector determined that it was a condition for the screening to be planted in the first session, if nothing has been planted by January action will be taken.
 - No further deterioration of the uninhabited Springhead (house).
 - Wiltshire Council are consulting on the new local plan, Cllr Blundell is willing to attend, need to check the correct date/ place.
- Action – Cllr Blundell**
- G Council finance:** Cllr. G Blundell
 An election could cost the Parish Council £1,800 if one was called, the Council will need to set-aside money in future to pay for such an eventuality.
- H South-west Wiltshire Community Safety Group:** Cllr. N Cooke
Members had been circulated the minutes
- Speeding still the number one issue. During the summer, Hindon residents put up scarecrows around the village to slow traffic down.
 - Statistics say that by having a neighbourhood watch scheme you can bring down crime by 11% - does Swallowcliffe need a neighbourhood watch coordinator. In the past it has been felt that this was not necessary - Members suggested looking into buying some neighbourhood watch stickers to handout.
- Action – The Clerk**

<p>I</p> <p>J</p> <p>K</p>	<p>Flood warden / civic contingencies: Mr. B Fitzpatrick (No report received) The Chairman suggested that I & J are merged Action – The Clerk</p> <p>Emergency planning: Cllr. L Boothman Still in the process of preparing a new plan, got up to 54 pages and realised it was unworkable, have been working on cutting it down. Will send draft out to members in the next few weeks. Action – Cllr Boothman</p> <p>Council Website: The Clerk & Cllr. S Banas Webmaster training to take place in October. The Council will buy a .org website address. Also looking at having an online chatroom.</p>
<p>37</p> <p>A</p> <p>B</p>	<p><u>FINANCE:</u></p> <p><u>To approve payments:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Storage boxes – S.Pritchard - £13.95 2. Defibrillator Pads – S.Pritchard - £41.88 3. Local Councils Book – W.A.L.C. - £14.99 4. Toner & Stationery – Beckington PC - £46.30 5. PC Keyboard – S.Pritchard - £14.99 <p>The Clerk confirmed that the payment to Beckington PC was for ½ the cost of a toner cartridge and some items of stationery. Copy of the receipts was sent with the invoice. Cllr Blundell proposed that all the payments were made, this was seconded by Cllr Banas and resolved unanimously.</p> <p><u>Bank reconciliation and spend against budget to date:</u> This had been circulated to members ahead of the meeting. Cllr Blundell requested further improvement to the bank reconciliation to bring all the information into one place. Action – The Clerk</p>
<p>38</p>	<p><u>Planning and Tree Applications:</u> <i>None received by the time of the meeting.</i></p>
<p>39</p>	<p><u>Co-option of new Council Member:</u> Deferred to the next meeting.</p>
<p>40</p>	<p><u>Cranborne Chase AONB – Bid for Dark Sky Reserve Status:</u> Member agreed to ask for an article to put in the village newsletter / on Facebook page and to send a letter of support. Action – The Clerk</p>
<p>41</p>	<p><u>New Council Division Boundaries for Wiltshire:</u> Members agreed to respond the consultation stating that they like the current setup. Action – Cllr Banas</p>
<p>42</p>	<p><u>Fingerpost Renovation:</u> It was prosed by the Chairman that; The council spend £475 to replace the rotten post of the fingerpost on the green near the Old Post Office, with the money coming from the noticeboard budget line and that the Council apply for a grant from the area board for £400 towards the cost, this was seconded by Cllr Blundell and resolved unanimously.</p>

Meeting Closed at 9:10 pm

Signed Chairman: _____ Date: _____

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(New website / address coming soon!)

Next Parish Council Meeting: **Thursday 10th January 2019**