



SAWSTON PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES of the FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 22 OCTOBER 2024
Held at Mill Lane Pavilion - Meeting commenced at 7.15 pm**

PRESENT:

Assistant Clerk: Clare Speed

Councillors

Kieran Cooper (Chaired Meeting)	Patrick Thouroude
Neil Reid	Paul Smith
Paul Allen	David Bard
Anand Pillai	Deborah Alderwick

+ 3 members of public

192 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Brian Milnes (Personal)
Kevin Cuffley (Personal)
Colin Groves (Personal)
David Ellis (Personal)
Ian Reeves (Personal)

193 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION TIME (15 Minutes allowed) *

None

194 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FOR THIS MEETING

None

195 TO CONFIRM AND SIGN THE MINUTES OF THE FULL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 08 October 2024

There were two amendments:

Item 182 – Councillor Deborah Alderwick abstained from the vote

Item 189 – Councillor Patrick Thouroude requested the clerk to circulate the plans for the Mill Lane Pavilion building work.

The minutes of the Full Parish Council meeting held on 08 October 2024 were read, confirmed, and signed with the above amends.

It was **proposed** by Councillor Neil Reid and **seconded** by Councillor Anand Pillai to accept the minutes.

VOTE: 8 FOR : 0 AGAINST UNANIMOUS

196 REPORT ON MASTERPLAN MEETING HELD ON 15 OCTOBER 2024

Noted

197 MATTERS ARISING – NEW INFORMATION ONLY

None

198 MOLE ARCHITECTS ATTENDING TO DISCUSS CAMBRIDGE BUILDING SOCIETY SITE

Councillor Kieran Cooper welcomed Susie Newman from Mole Architects and Lucy Crumplin from Cambridge Building Society. They explained their plans for the site at the Sawston branch. Please find the full presentation on our website.
Councillor Kieran cooper thanked them both for attending the meeting.

Susie Newman and Lucy Crumplin left the meeting at 7.45pm

199 PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND ASSOCIATED MATTERS

24/03666/FUL	Change of use and conversion of hair salon to residential unit at 94 High Street. <i>Proposed</i> by Councillor David Bard and <i>Seconded</i> by Councillor Deborah Alderwick to <i>support</i> to this application.	Support/ No Objection Vote: 8 For Unanimous
TREE		
24/1034/TTCA	Apple tree - Remove. Immature apple tree – Remove at Sawston Nursery Tannery Road. <i>Proposed</i> by Councillor David Bard and <i>Seconded</i> by Councillor Paul Smith to <i>support</i> to this application.	Support/ No Objection Vote: 7 For 1 Abs
24/1099/TTCA	T1 - Ash , 5 day notice - Tree has significant rot in the base of the main stem, approximately 80% of the heart wood has completely rotted, 40% of the crown also has distal die back. Plan to remove tree immediately due to the dangers it poses to children at the nursery playing around it at 149 High Street.	Noted as the 5 days has already passed. To suggest a suitable replacement.
24/1147/TTCA	T1 - Ash - Fell Tree is in decline and has recently lost a major limb into neighbouring property at 152 High Street. <i>Proposed</i> by Councillor David Bard and <i>Seconded</i> by Councillor Neil Reid to <i>support</i> to this application.	Support/ No Objection Vote: 8 For Unanimous Comment: To replace with a suitable replacement.

Planning decisions - Noted

200 TO DISCUSS SPORTS CLUBS MATTERS

None

201 TO DISCUSS PLAY EQUIPMENT QUOTES FOR ORCHARD PARK

The Facilities Administrator has obtained quotes for different pieces of equipment at Orchard Park where the cone climber used to be. This area has been empty for nearly 3 years.

- **Rope Net Pyramid - £11,341.00 + vat**
- **Cone Climber - £12,992.79 + vat**
- **Cone Climber - £17,421.88**
- **Wipe Out Surfboard - £8,795.67**
- **Stand Up See Saw - £9,613.62**

This was discussed at length. The councillors preferred the idea of replacing with another cone climber. It was asked to defer to another meeting after the clerks can find out more information. The councillors asked if the clerks can ask what warranty comes with the cone climber from all three companies and if they have their cone climbers anywhere near us so the councillors can go and look at the equipment. It was suggested to also find out where the previous play equipment was all purchased from.

202 TO DISCUSS CRICKET FEES

This item has been deferred to the next meeting.

203 TO DISCUSS USING MILL LANE PAVILION

Councillor Kieran Cooper explained the pavilion is still under investigation following the structural engineer report. The Assistant Clerk explained other groups using the pavilion have been moved to Spicers Pavilion and wanted to know the councillor's thoughts on football and our meetings being held at Mill Lane Pavilion. Councillor Kieran Cooper suggested it needs to be checked with our insurance. Otherwise councillors were happy to continue to have their meetings at Mill Lane.

204 TO DISCUSS CEMETERY EXTENSION

The Assistant Clerk explained that the size of land in which the Parish Council requested to purchase from County Council has been declined due to the size being double of what was originally suggested, the request had been for 1 hectare.

The Assistant Clerk shared the original, recommended size which is 1 third of a hectare (3779 sq metres) the same size as Huckeridge View and the Parish Council agreed for the Assistant Clerk to request this size for the extension to County Council.

It was **proposed** by Councillor Deborah Alderwick and **seconded** by Councillor Anand Pillai to go back to County with the map of 1 third of a hectare for the cemetery extension.

VOTE: 8 FOR : 0 AGAINST UNANIMOUS

205 TO DISCUSS POPPIES FOR LAMPOST IN THE VILLAGE

The Parish Council has been asked again this year if they would like to donate towards the Poppies on lampposts for the village, last year we donated for two poppies. Each poppy is £30.

It was **proposed** by Councillor David Bard and **seconded** by Councillor Paul Smith to donate £60 for two poppies for the village lampposts as long as 95% of the donation goes to the Royal British Legion.

VOTE: 7 FOR : 1 ABS

206 TO DISCUSS PATHWAY AT ORCHARD PARK

The Assistant Clerk explained that a resident has contacted the Parish Council about resurfacing the path at Orchard Park as it is not possible to push a wheelchair on the current surfacing. It was suggested for the clerks to get a quote for the resurfacing for both tarmac and self-binding on the path from the play area to the main circle and up to the path by the doctors surgery and to bring back to another meeting.

207 TO DISCUSS LETTER FROM SAWTON FUN RUN

The Sawston Fun Run Committee have sent a letter to the Parish Council requesting to use Spicers Sports field for the beginning and the end of the event as Sawston Village College might have their renovation work started. The Clerk has spoken to the Head Grounds Keeper, and he said it would be fine and cricket have said it is fine with them.

It was **proposed** by Councillor David Bard and **seconded** by Councillor Deborah Alderwick to let the Sawston Fun Run event run from Spicers Sports Field if they can't use Sawston Village College due to the renovations, without any charge from the Parish Council.

VOTE: 8 FOR : 0 AGAINST UNANIMOUS

208 TO DISCUSS ALLOTMENT HOLDER PLANTING TREE ON THE ALLOTMENTS

A resident has requested they would like to plant a small cherry or apple tree on their allotment plot. The Assistant Clerk explained other plots do have trees and there is nothing in the allotment agreement.

It was **proposed** by Councillor Deborah Alderwick and **seconded** by Councillor David Bard to let the resident plant a dwarf or semi dwarf tree and add to the allotment rules that trees can be planted but only dwarf or semi dwarf.

VOTE: 7 FOR : 1 ABS

209 TO DISCUSS LARGE TREE ON AN ALLOTMENT PLOT

A resident has contacted the Assistant clerk regarding a large walnut tree on their allotment plot which is overshadowing and is leaking sap on their plot. The Assistant Clerk spoke to a tree surgeon who came out to look at the tree and he advised the tree can be cut back but the tree is health and shouldn't be removed. The tree surgeon quoted £450 to pollard the tree. It was suggested to defer this item so the councillors can look at the tree and for the Assistant Clerk to ask other surrounding plot holders their opinion on this tree.

210 TO DISCUSS S106 CONTRIBUTION FOR LYNTON WAY

The Parish Council agreed to spend £1,500 on the additional legal costs for transferring the S106 money at the full parish meeting on Tuesday 22 October. The quote for the legal fees to allow the Parish Council to use the money for the proposed rebuild of Lynton Way Pavilion instead of a pavilion at Cambridge City is now £2,600.

It was **proposed** by Councillor Kieran Cooper and **seconded** by Councillor David Bard to agree to spend up to £3,000 on the legal fees to spend the S106 money on the Lynton Way project.

VOTE: 8 FOR : 0 AGAINST UNANIMOUS

211 TO DISCUSS PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE

Councillor Kieran Cooper explained the new website was designed in 2019, and it still needs contents putting on to it. Councillor Kieran Cooper asked if the councillors would like to continue to work on this website or is it not fit for purpose and is it an idea for go back to tender for a new website better suited for now. This was discussed at length and was decided to put a deadline on the current website to get it live by the end of the year.

Councillor Deborah Alderwick, Councillor Paul Allen, Councillor Anand Pillai and Councillor Kieran Cooper will all have a meeting to divide up the outstanding contents to work on getting the website live along with the Clerks.

212 CORRESPONDENCE

Thank you from Magpas for recent donation noted.

213 COUNCILLORS ISSUES AND AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING

Councillor Paul Smith explained he has become a trustee of Strategy for Stop Youth Knife Crime and suggested the Parish Council purchases a knife amnesty bin for the village maybe outside the Spar or outside the Marven Centre. Councillor Kieran Cooper suggested

Councillor Paul Smith gets quotes for the bins, contacts County regarding the areas and find out who empties the bins and bring back to another meeting.

Councillor Deborah Alderwick attended the bus consultation event and will send her notes round to all council members.

Meeting Closed. 8:53pm