



Final Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 25th March 2025 at 7.30pm at Siddington Village Hall

Part 1: Public and press present

Present:

- Cllr. D. Billington
- Cllr. B. Carbutt
- Cllr. S. Forster
- Cllr. D. Furness
- Cllr. A. Meadowcroft
- Cllr. B. Smart
- Cllr. Paul Wain
- Cllr. Peter Wain
- Elizabeth Worrall – Clerk

Public Forum

There was one member of the public present.

It was noted that some items of litter had been left in a layby within the Parish. The Parish Council will seek to get quotations for small signs asking individuals to take their litter home. Cllr. Meadowcroft will find a quotation for the signs. These will be installed in lay-bys later this year. The Clerk will submit an online report to the Police reporting one specific van which seems to cause several of the issues.

The second item that was noted was a pothole which is dangerously deep and may cause damage to vehicles. Cllr. Peter Wain will report this on FixMyStreet.

1579 To receive and approve apologies for absence

Ward Cllr. Lesley Smetham had sent her apologies in advance of the meeting.

1580 To receive any declarations of interest There were no declarations of interest.

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Signed

Dated



1581 To receive and resolve to approve the [minutes for the meeting of 28th January 2025](#)

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes.

1582 To receive a report from Cheshire East Ward Councillor if present. Cllr.

Smetham was not present. The traffic queuing through the village (sometimes extending as far as 2 miles) was reported by Cllr. Wain through FixMyStreet – this was reported as being completed. The Parish Council have not noticed any sustained improvement in the traffic and will monitor this to provide an updated report to Cllr. Smetham at the next meeting.

1583 To receive updates on village maintenance projects (Redesmere Lake, boundary signs, footpaths etc.)

The Council noted that the siding out (as applied for via the Ward Budget) is now in progress. The Council have cleared from Siddington Crossroads up to Nursery Lane and it is understood the Council will clear from Mill Lane to the Parish boundary at Bagbrook. The Parish Council will ask for an indicative cost of how much it would be to complete some additional siding out between Nursery Lane and Mill Lane.

The footpath over Conneygreave is likely to become overgrown during the spring and summer. It was **RESOLVED** to authorise Pete Davies to complete the spraying and to remove the brambles and nettles from the footpath when he thinks it is suitable to do so, later this spring.

There was no update on Redesmere Lake. The railings will next be reviewed in 2027 (three years after the painting was completed).

Pete Davies will install the boundary signs later this spring, as and when he gets chance to complete the work.

Cllr. Furness will speak to the Smithy to arrange for the sign at the Crossroads and the milestone on the A34 close to the Sailing Club to be refreshed. A quotation will be provided for discussion once the price has been received.

There was no update on the bench, but Cllr. Furness will continue to try and source a quotation.

It was **RESOLVED** that Councillor Meadowcroft would get a quotation for a small plaque in memory of “for everyone for whom Redesmere was a special place”. The Clerk will draft a memorials policy for approval at the May meeting. Cllr. Wain will try and assess who owns the land adjacent to the picnic area on Redesmere Lane, to see if the Parish Council can allow for the planting of memorial trees.

1584 To discuss the Council’s recently completed litter pick and any matters of issues arising

The litter pick was a great success – thanks were extended to all volunteers who attended! The Parish Council noted that not all volunteers bought a suitable Hi-Viz, and they will make sure that more are available for the litter pick next year. Thanks were also extended to ANSA for picking up the collected litter so promptly.

1585 To consider the following planning applications and any others since the publication of the agenda:

Egerton Timber Yard – planning refusal

The appeal remains with the Planning Inspectorate awaiting their decision.

1586 To ratify the comments submitted for the following applications which required comments before this meeting.

[25/0194/LBC](#) - Listed Building Consent

The Parish Council has no objections to this application.

It was **RESOLVED** to ratify the above comments.

1587 To receive and resolve to approve the accounts for payment:

BALANCE as of 28th February 2025 - £9,264.65

PAYMENTS MADE

£95.40	Clerk Salary – end January
£26.00	Clerk Homeworking Allowance – end January
£95.40	Clerk Salary – end February
£26.00	Clerk Homeworking Allowance – end February
£61.92	TCS Management
£25.00	Village Hall Hire – Parish Council meeting

PAYMENTS TO BE APPROVED

£95.40	Clerk Salary – end March
£26.00	Clerk Homeworking Allowance – end March
£95.40	Clerk Salary – end April
£26.00	Clerk Homeworking Allowance – end April
£25.00	Village Hall Hire – Parish Council Meeting
£189.60	HMRC

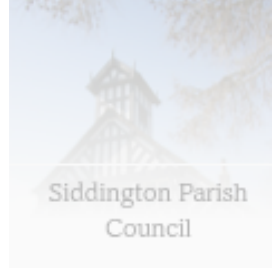
RECEIPTS

£30.32	Interest
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It was **RESOLVED** to approve the above payments and sign the [Bank Reconciliation](#).

1588 Any other correspondence

The Clerk noted her annual leave from the 10th April to 22nd April. The Clerk will submit the draft AGAR to the Chair and Vice Chair, for their review, in advance of her annual leave.



1589 To note the date of the next parish council meeting to be held on 12th May (Annual Parish Council Meeting)

Action Points

- Cllr. Peter Wain to report pothole (mentioned by member of the public) via FixMyStreet.
- Clerk to submit an online report to the police regarding the presence of a vehicle in lay-bys, and the noted litter.
- Cllr. Meadowcroft to speak to Highways regarding additional siding out work. If needed, Cllr. Billington to speak to the contractor.
- Cllr. Carbutt to arrange Pete Davies to complete the spraying work along the footpath.
- Cllr. Furness to arrange for a quotation for the repair of the milestone.
- Cllr. Furness to arrange a quotation for the bench repairs.
- Cllr. Meadowcroft to arrange a quotation for a suitably plaque to be installed on the repaired bench.
- Cllr. Peter Wain to ascertain the ownership of the picnic area near to Redesmere.
- Clerk to submit the draft AGAR, for approval by Cllr. Peter Wain and Cllr. Meadowcroft, in advance of submission to the internal auditor.