

# SEWARDS END PARISH COUNCIL

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## **Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of Swards End Parish Council**

**held on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2024 at 7.30 pm**

**in St. James Church Hall, Swards End**

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**In the Chair:** Cllr. Howlett

**Present:** Cllrs, Powell, Ridler, Stokley and Briggs

**Also present:**

**Clerk:** Tracy Coston

**Public:** 2

**40/24 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** Martin Foley, John Moran, Adrian Knowles and Mike Dean.

**41/24 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME (15 minutes):**

Photographs of all the drains and potholes on Pounce Hill have been taken by Bob Barnes and the Clerk has marked them all with reference numbers from reporting on the ECC Highways reporting website. A lot of the drains are all blocked. There will be another accident as the road is in a critical condition.

Bob Barnes said he will write a letter to the Kemi Badenoch MP with all the photos and a copy will be sent to John Moran, local media, press and Head of Highways at ECC.

Bob Barnes will make a FOA request for details of surveys.

Redgates Lane: The barn is for sale in Redgates Lane but there hasn't been any planning applications.

**42/24 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

To receive any pecuniary interests relating to items on the agenda: None

**43/24 PLANNING**

**a) Applications for discussion:** None

**b) Decisions:** None

**44/24 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

To approve as a correct record the Parish Council meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> March, 2024. The previously circulated minutes were approved and signed by the Chair.

**45/24 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:** None.

**46/24 HIGHWAYS ISSUES**

**a) Update about highway issues:** All discussed and reported.

**b) Footpath down Pounce Hill:** No further information has been received.

**c) Accident down Pounce Hill and report to Highways:** Discussed

**47/24 WEBSITE**

**a) Update:** The Clerk will speak to Judith Bonser about the rolling gallery of photographs.

**48/24 VILLAGE GREEN**

**a) Tractor and trailer delivery date:** The work is due to start on 22nd April, weather permitting

**b) Picnic tables for play area:** The PC approved the purchase of two octagonal picnic tables for the play area at a cost of £ 710.00 each.

**c) Playground inspection:** The report has been received and circulated.

**d) Entrance to the Village Green:** Clerk to speak to Tim Wells about putting wood chippings at the gate entrance.

**49/24 CORRESPONDENCE:** All circulated.

**50/24 EX-AGENDA**

➤ **District Councillors Report:** Report sent

➤ **County Councillors Report:** Report sent

**51/24 FINANCE**

**PAYMENTS**

D/P	Tracy Coston (April wages)	£	282.57
D/P	Rialtas (Account software)	£	57.60
D/D	EALC (Affiliation fee)	£	186.50
D/D	Fasthosts (Website)	£	66.00
D/D	The Play Inspection Company (Playground Inspection)	£	102.00
	<b><u>Total</u></b>	<b>£</b>	<b>694.67</b>

**52/24 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

**The date of the Annual Parish meeting is 7<sup>th</sup> May, 2024 at 7.30pm followed by the Annual Parish Council meeting at 8pm.**

The meeting finished at 9.30 pm.

**Signed (Chair)**

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**Date**

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