

HAYDON WICK PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Haydon Wick Parish Council Full Council meeting held on Tuesday 23rd January 2024 at 8.00pm held at Parish Council Offices, Thames Avenue, Swindon, SN25 1QQ.

ATTENDANCE

MEMBERS: Councillors V Manro (Chairman), S Heyes (Vice Chairman), J Ali, J Fuller, R Hailstone, J Jackson, A Jimmy, A John, O Munagala, B Patrick-Okoh, P Park, R Ross, A Roupelis and R Worman.

OFFICERS: Chief Officer/Clerk & RFO, Georgina Morgan-Denn
Finance Officer/Deputy RFO, Jodie Smart
Meetings Administrator, Julie Coe

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Sean Pocock, Youth & Community Co-Ordinator

FC 166 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received and noted from Councillor E Baker-Walker (Personal Commitments) and Councillor S Fateru (Work Commitments). No apologies were received from Councillors G Choudhury or C Flux.

FC 167 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were none. Members were reminded to declare any interests in the meeting this evening.

FC 168 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were none.

FC 169 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair welcomed the new Youth and Co-Ordinator. Members were informed that the Council's administrator had resigned will leave the Council in February.

FC 170 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Members confirmed as a true record the minutes of meetings held on Tuesday 12th December 2023 and the Chairman signed the minutes as a true record.

Proposed: Councillor A John Seconded: Councillor R Ross

Vote: Agreed with one (1) Abstention.

RESOLVED: Members confirmed as a true record the minutes of meetings held on 12th December 2023 and they were signed by the Chairman.

FC 171 SWINDON BOROUGH WARD COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

**Ward Councillor Stanka Adamcova –
Swindon Borough Ward Councillor Written Report – Haydon Wick**

Household waste and recycling collections – While the roll out of the new recycling regime started well, the service got disrupted over the Christmas period. For context, the normal daily collection rate is 20,000 (200,000 collections over a two week cycle). The loss of Christmas Day and Boxing Day immediately placed an expected 40,000 backlog on the system. The cabinet member responsible informed us that extra resources were pre-planned to deal with the expected Christmas backlog, however, the capacity issues with the new recycling vehicles pushed this plan out. It was recognised very early on that the Christmas backlog was not reducing as expected. The team moved quickly to stabilise the position, bringing in extra resources, including rental of split back wagons, utilising other vehicles within the fleet, and engaging extra drivers and loaders.

I have been supporting residents with sharing information, reporting missed collections, and even distributing blue bags for some residents. If you know any residents who still need an extra blue bag please ask them to get in touch with me.

The Swindon Plan – yesterday I attended the engagement event which was held in the Better Haydon Centre and Gym. The event was called ‘Let’s Talk’ and the key aim of this event was to get residents’ views on the current draft version of the council corporate plan. The plan is available online, please, make sure that you feed in your comments. I have included the link where you can find out more information.

https://www.swindon.gov.uk/info/20029/people_and_communities/1436/lets_talk_swindon

Application S/23/0696 - Change of use of 5-bedroom dwelling with a self-contained 2-bedroom Flat into a 9-bed HMO – I have been informed that the application is going to be revised which means that it will be again out for consultation. The Parish Council may wish to call in the revised application if they are not satisfied with the application changes. I do not have any information on the timescale. I continue receiving emails from residents about the work on the building. I can confirm that a Planning Enforcement investigation EN/23/0228 has been created. The planning application of concern was received by the Enforcement Team and is pending consideration.

Ward Councillor J Jackson – Advised that there has been a rise with waste problems in the Parish, rubbish being left uncollected for example, measures to rectify this are with SBC (Swindon Borough Council).

Ward Councillor J Ali – Nothing to report for which would be relevant to Haydon Wick Parish.

FC 172

COUNCILLORS’ REPORTS

Councillor A John – Nothing to report.

Councillor R Ross – Nothing to report.

Councillor R Hailstone – Advised on rubbish left in Parish uncollected.

Councillor J Fuller – Still has concerns over enforcement issues, 1 High Street is still pending and with no meeting scheduled at SBC (Swindon Borough Council) until February there are concerns to many residents on this planning. Councillor J Fuller noted that the underpass at Clary Road is becoming a ‘dumping’ issue, HWPC (Haydon Wick Parish Council) and SBC (Swindon Borough Council) are aware of this and pick up when made aware of rubbish/furniture being left there.

Councillor P Park – Nothing to report.

Councillor A Roupelis – Nothing to report.

Councillor B Patrick-Okoh – Nothing to report.

Councillor J Ali – Nothing to report.

Councillor A Jimmy – Nothing to report.

Councillor O Munagala – Nothing to report.

Councillor R Worman – Asked that all Councillors take note and be aware of the flood areas in the Parish. Any areas should be sent to the Chairman who will pass to the Deputy Clerk.

Councillor J Jackson – Nothing to report.

Councillor S Heyes – Advised he has witnessed and had reports that SBC (Swindon Borough Council) had been out in the Parish dipping drains.

Councillor V Manro – There have been reports of noise at night at Chicory Close, this is Thames Water who are working until 22.00hrs daily drilling the water pipes through to West Swindon.

FC 173

CHIEF OFFICER'S REPORT

Nothing to report.

FC 174

PLANNING APPLICATIONS & HIGHWAYS MATTERS

FC 174.1

S/23/1444

Unit B4b, Unit B4 North
Swindon District Centre,
Abbeymeads, Swindon

External alterations to the
front elevations

HWPC COMMENTS: No objection

FC 174.2

S/ADV/23/1445

Unit B4b, Unit B4 North
Swindon District Centre,
Abbeymeads, Swindon

Display of a fascia
signage

HWPC COMMENTS: No objection

FC 174.3

S/HOU/23/1452

13 Foxglove Road,
Haydon Wick, Swindon,
SN25 1SG

Erection of a two storey
side extension and front
porch

RETROSPECTIVE

HWPC Comments: No objection

FC 174.4

S/HOU/23/1494

7 Laughton Way,
Abbeymeads, Swindon,
SN25 1SG

Erection of a single storey
rear extension

HWPC Comments: No objection

FC 175

GRANTS, REFUSALS, WITHDRAWALS, LAWFUL DEVELOPMENTS AND PRIOR APPROVALS.

FC 175.1

**S/LDP/23/1206/
NICL**

4 Orchid
Close,
Pinehurst,
Swindon,
SN25 3ST

Erection of a single
storey rear extension

**HWPC: Not in
receipt of
original planning
SBC: Granted**

FC 175.2

S/23/1231/NICL

Rusland
Cottage, 4
Pond Street,
Haydon Wick,
Swindon,
SN25 3JE

Erection of a detached
Annex.

**HWPC: No
objection but
concerns if there
is sufficient
footprint for the
proposed
application
SBC: Refused**

FC 175.3

**S/LDP/23/1306/
RACH**

22 Henchard
Crescent, Taw
Hill, Swindon,
SN25 1BD

Proposed use of the
application site as a
Care Home (Class C3
(b)) for children with
care provided by
resident staff.

**HWPC: Not
required to
comment
SBC: Do hereby
grant a certificate
of lawful use or
development**

FC 175.4	S/HOU/23/1323/ NICL	94 Chatsworth Road, Abbeymeads, Swinson, SN25 4UJ	Erection of a single storey extension.	HWPC: No objection SBC: Granted
FC 175.5	S/LDP/23/1373/ RACH	Unit B4a, Unnit B4 North Swindon District Centre	Continued use of the unit as Class E	HWPC: Not required to comment SBC: Do hereby grant a certificate of lawful use or development
FC 175.6	S/PHOU/23/143 1	50 Caraway Drive, Woodhall Park, Swindon, SN2 2RG	Prior approval notification for the erection of a single storey rear extension measuring 5.00m (from original wall), 3.80m (maximum height) and 2.15m (height to eaves)	HWPC: Not required to comment SBC: Prior approval is not required

FC 176**FINANCE & POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS**

The budget and precept report were received from the Finance & Policy Committee. The Chief Officer gave thanks to the Budget Setting Working Party and the Finance Officer/Deputy RFO for the work on this year's budget setting. Members were asked to give feedback as to what this budget means to them for the coming year and how it delivers what the residents want and need. It was acknowledged by many that this is a growing and progressive Council achieving a budget that is balanced and delivering on many of the aspirations for the coming financial year. After discussion Members agreed precept of £1,157,103.00 for financial year 2024/25. The resulting increase on a Band D household is an annual increase of £20.21.

Proposed: Councillor A Roupelis

Seconded: Councillor R Worman

Vote: Agreed Unanimously.

RESOLVED: It was resolved to agree the budget and precept proposals from Finance & Policy Committee. Members agreed precept of £1,157,103.00 for financial year 2024/25. The resulting increase on a Band D household is an annual increase of £20.21.

FC177

POLICY UPDATES as recommended by Finance & Policy Committee in October 2023.

A) Complaints Policy

Proposed: Councillor P Park

Seconded: Councillor R Hailstone

Vote: Agreed Unanimously.

RESOLVED: It was resolved to adopt the revised Complaints Policy.

B) Mobile Phone Policy

Proposed: Councillor S Heyes

Seconded: Councillor A Roupelis

Vote: Agreed Unanimously.

RESOLVED: To adopt the policy in the interim to implement for staff. Review some clauses (1&7) and bring back to next Finance & Policy Committee.

FC 178**FORTHCOMING COUNCIL MEETINGS**

Members noted the future Council Meetings.

FC 179 ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

To be sent to the Chief Office in advance of the next meeting on 20th February 2024.

FC 180 EXCLUSION OF PRESS & PUBLIC

There were none.

FC 181 GROUNDS MAINTENANCE FACILITY

An update from Affleck was received late today, 23rd January 2024 once the project manager has gone through this in detail an update will follow, initial findings are that the costs have increased slightly. An extraordinary meeting will be held in due course for the final sign off, notification of date and time of this will be communicated when the update has been analysed.

FC182 SWINDON BOROUGH COUNCIL TRANSFER OF SERVICES & PROTOCOL

Members reviewed the informal document produced by Swindon Borough Council (SBC. This is an informal discussion document only. It was agreed to form a Working Party to progress the matter.

Proposed: Councillor R Worman

Seconded: Councillor A John

Vote: Agreed Unanimously.

RESOLVED: To set up a Working party after further details have been received from Swindon Borough Council.

FC183 FREEDOM OF INFORMATION

Reference: JWOOD08012024. A Freedom of Information request was received and dealt with. No further correspondence has been received.

The Meeting closed at: 21.50

Chairman Signed:_____