

SMALLEY PARISH COUNCIL  
Minutes of Smalley Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2025  
At 7.30pm at the Smalley Institute, Smalley

**121/25 Present**

L Pizzey (Chairman), M Gallimore (Vice Chairman), G Rogers, M Bowen,  
W Judson, J Ainsworth, J Saddington and M Thomson

***122/25 Public Questions***

None

***123/25 Police Report***

A report from the police was read out.

Members agreed that we should ask the Police to arrange a catch up meeting in the village.

***124/25 Apologies***

Cllr A Paget

***125/25 Variation of Order of Business***

None

***126/25 Declaration of Members Interests***

***RESOLVED:*** Members agreed to take any Declarations of Members Interests as they occur in the meeting.

***127/25 To confirm the Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> July 2025***

Cllr M Gallimore proposed, and Cllr Thomson seconded the minutes were a correct record and duly signed by the Chair.

***128/25 To confirm the non-confidential Minutes of the Meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2025***

Cllr W Judson proposed, and Cllr Saddington seconded the minutes were a correct record and duly signed by the Chair.

***129/25 Matters arising***

Members agreed that the village is looking much better and comments have been received from members of the village on how tidy the parish is looking.

Lengthsman to be put on the agenda next month.

### *130/25 Planning*

AVA/2025/0554 121 Main Road, Smalley  
Proposed rear extension to existing storey and single storey replace outhouses  
No objections

AVA/2025/0577 113/115 Main Road, Smalley  
Proposed rear extension  
No objections

AVA/2025/0572 demolition of dwelling and outbuildings erection of no 1 self build dwelling and ancillary operations  
Moorecroft, 10 Woodside, Morley

The Parish Council Object to this application:

Policy H3

As defined in policy SS3

Replacement dwellings will be permitted provided that:

- The form and bulk of the new dwelling does not substantially exceed that of the existing dwelling.
- The new dwelling would be no more visually obtrusive in the landscape than the existing dwelling and would be compatible with its rural location, in terms of architectural and visual amenity, landscape setting and any existing surrounding development.

The proposed development will impact the visual coherence of the area, including its architectural style and overall character. The proposed project does not align with its existing surroundings and threatens the heritage value of the area and is substantially larger than the building it would replace

AVA/2025/0600  
Double storey side extension and loft conversion  
12 Heanor Road Smalley Ilkeston Derbyshire DE7 6EP  
Cllr Pizzey to look at this application and send comments to members and clerk.

Cllr Gallimore has resigned from the Parish Council due to moving out of the area, a new planning committee will be formed, this to be put on the agenda for next month's meeting.

### *131/25 Playground Inspections*

#### *Dobholes Lane*

The pavilion was inspected and found to be clean and tidy after the matches at the weekend and all cars were parked in the car parks and not on the road.

The football league games have commenced.

Members agreed that a fixture list should go in the pavilion and on the website.

Chains for the cradle swing have arrived, Cllr Judson and Cllr Rogers will replace the chain.

The paper towel dispensers have been put in the pavilion

The football pitch is in a good condition.

The hedge on Dobholes Lane has been cut.

The spare parts from Sutcliffe which have been delivered are the wrong so need to be returned and re-ordered.

The toddler swings on the Sitwell Recreation Ground are to be installed at the beginning of October a site meeting on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September has been arranged before the installation.

#### *132/25 National Grid*

It was noted that surveys are now being carried out in the Little Eaton and Horsley areas. This to be kept on the agenda

#### *133/25 Parish Signs*

Clerk reported the sign on Heanor Road has now received the STATS from the utility companies, we are now waiting for the STATS on Dobholes Lane and Main Road, Smalley. This to be left on the agenda.

#### *134/25 Audit*

The audit is complete, comments noted.

The AGAR completed forms with the comments from the internal audit are now on the website.

#### *135/25 CCTV*

Clerk to contact Shaws Electrical regarding the CCTV cameras on the recreation grounds. This to be put on the agenda.

#### *136/25 Domain name for website and email addresses for councillors*

Members agreed that this should be put in place as recommended by the auditor.

*137/25 Garden Dobholes Lane*

Clerk to contact Derbyshire County Council regarding the brambles and overgrown garden on the Dobholes Lane which is causing difficulty for pedestrians using the pavement outside the house.

It was noted that Amber Valley Environmental Health has visited the property and have found no evidence of rats, however if evidence can be provided the property will be visited again.

*138/25 Christmas Lights*

Clerk to ask Harlite to install the Christmas lights this year and to obtain a quotation to improve the lights for next year.

*139/25 Remembrance Poppies*

Members agreed to purchase 40 more poppies, Cllr Pizzey to locate the stored poppies.

This to be put on the agenda.

*140/25 Asset Register*

RESOLVED: Members approved the updated asset register.

Clerk to send the lengthsman a list of all the benches owned by the Parish Council.

*141/25 Tree Survey*

Members to look at the tree survey and discuss at the next meeting, this to go on the agenda.

*142/25 IT Policy*

Members to look at the IT Policy and discuss at the next meeting.

*143/25 Finance*

The financial report for September has been circulated previously.

Members agreed that the following payments be made;

August Payments

Shelter Maintenance	£50.64
Salaries/expenses/pension/hmrc	£2017.48
M Blackwell – mowing of cemetery	£40.00

Derbyshire County Council – fees for sign	£105.00
PKF Littlejohn audit fees	£378.00
Eon	£26.90

#### September Payments

Shelter Maintenance	£101.28
Salaries/expenses/pension/hmrc	£2231.53
M Blackwell – mowing of cemetery	£40.00
Art Group – Rent of hall	£15.00
Keoghs Solicitors vat invoice	£211.73
Npower electricity for Christmas lights	£30.36
Mac Tree Services Tree survey	£500.00
Eon	£21.09
Bus Shelter – Outside the Bell	£6143.52
T Ainsworth – Lengthsman duties	£312.50

#### *144/25 Correspondence*

The Post Office will be closed until the end of September.

Cllr Ainsworth to send information regarding the CPRE hedgerow heroes project to CPRE.

#### Community Governance Review

Members agreed that the Parish Council oppose the proposed parish arrangements and should be left as they stand at the present time.

The Chairman expressed his thanks to Councillor Gallimore's for all his hard work whilst being on the Parish Council on behalf of all the members.

A Vice Chair is to be elected at the next meeting.

The meeting closed at 09.15

