

SMALLEY PARISH COUNCIL  
Minutes of Smalley Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2025  
At 7.30pm at the Smalley Institute, Smalley

**58/25 Present**

L Pizzey (Chairman), M Gallimore (Vice Chairman) A Paget, G Rogers, M Bowen, S Yeomans, W Judson, J Ainsworth, and M Thomson

**59/25 *Election of Chair***

All members were in favour and agreed that Cllr L Pizzey will be Chair for the ensuing year.

**60/25 *Election of Vice Chair***

All members were in favour and agreed that Cllr M Gallimore will be Chair for the ensuing year.

**61/25 *Declaration of Office Forms to be signed by Chair and Vice Chair***

Councillors signed the declaration of office forms before the Clerk.

**62/25 *Members Register of Interest***

Members were reminded to update the register of interests if required.

**63/25 *Election of members to Planning Task and Finish Group***

All members agreed that Cllr Gallimore to continue the Planning Task and Finish Group along with Cllr S Yeomans.

**64/25 Election of Members to Finance Task and Finish Group**

All members agreed that Cllr L Pizzey, Cllr Rogers, Cllr Ainsworth and Cllr S Yeomans to be elected to the Finance Task and Finish Group.

**65/25 *Public Questions***

Sarah Alton Smith submitted to the Council a proposed project for the purchase of the Bell Public House.

**66/25 *Apologies***

Councillor J Saddington and A Padget

**67/25 *Variation of Order of Business***

None

*62/25 Declaration of Members Interests*

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

*63/25 Richard Morgan – Derbyshire County Councillor Report*

Cllr Morgan is the newly elected Derbyshire County Councillor and introduced himself to the Council.

Derbyshire County Council propose to dispose of Nottingham Lodge in Shipley Park this will be auctioned on 24<sup>th</sup> July 2025.

*64/25 Police*

There have been several incidents in the village over the past month.

Damage to a caravan  
A rough sleeper  
Severn Trent Water burst pipe.

PCSO J Colledge to confirm if the large dogs belonging to a resident in the village are XL Bullies.

*64/25 Minutes of Meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> April 2025*

Cllr W Judson proposed the minutes were a correct record and Cllr M Gallimore seconded the proposal, all members agreed, and the Chairman duly signed the minutes.

*65/25 Planning*

*AVA/2025/0351 – Kidsley Grange Nursing Home  
Advertisement consent for individual led letters.  
160 Heanor Road, Smalley*

Members are concerned that the brightness of the LED lights will affect residents and traffic.

*66/25 Playground Inspections*

*Dobholes Lane Recreation Ground*

The rubber grips have been installed on the play equipment on Dobholes Lane, and all the equipment is satisfactory.

Clerk to order one rubber grip and six yellow nut caps.

Quote for the new trapeze equipment has been received, Clerk to obtain a quotation for the installation of the new part.

### *Stainsby Meadow Recreation Ground*

The weeds are to be sprayed on Stainsby Meadow play area.

The bark will be ordered in June.

The dog bin by the cricket ground has not been emptied again, Cllr Pizzey to report to Amber Valley.

The football season has now finished there will be the occasional football match during the summer.

All the equipment is in good working condition.

### *67/25 Audit 2024*

Internal audit report noted by Councillors.

The clerk circulated the completed Annual Internal Audit Report to Councillors and completed sections 1 and 2 of the AGAR.

Members agreed that the Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2023/24 section 1 and 2 be approved, all members agreed.

### *68/25 Financial Regulations*

Members agreed the new financial regulations.

### *69/25 The Bell*

Members agreed to investigate the proposals for the Bell Clerk to inform Amber Valley of the interest the Parish Council has and to trigger the 6-month moratorium period.

### *70/25 Update on proposed pylons*

Cllr Morgan informed members that his party opposed the proposed pylons and that alternative ways should be explored.

The formal consultation has been put back to 2026.

### *71/25 Stainsby Meadow Fencing*

Four quotations have been received and members agreed that P Croft be asked to install the fencing. Cllr Rogers to inform resident neighbour of plans.

### *72/25 Toddler Swings*

The suggested location for the toddler swings on Dobholes Lane was found to be unsuitable. Members agreed that the swings should be restored on Stainsby Meadow.

### ***73/25 Finance***

Shelter Maintenance	£92.00
Salaries/expenses/Pension/HMRC	£2022.81
NT Services	£404.77
Insurance Renewal	£3408.32
M Blackwell mowing churchyard	£40.00
Derbyshire County Council – Pension	£93.13
N Tadman	£404.77
Stainsby Cricket Club – grant	£1000.00

Members agreed that the Clerk should inform the lengthsman that his services are not required for a month, as there are a number of residents litter picking over the summer. This to go on the agenda for the next month.

### ***74/25 Correspondence***

Gallagher Insurance – Confirmation of insurance claim for the damaged bus shelter outside the Bell, Clerk to accept and to order new bus shelter with Derbyshire County Council.

Parish Signs – Cllr Judson to research the Smalley Coat of Arms

Eon – Clerk to contact Eon regarding a smart meter for the pavilion.

Clerk to report Littles Coaches were seen driving on the kerb on St Johns Drive Smalley.

Cllr Morgan to chase up the bollards requested for St Johns Road verges.

The meeting closed at 9.07pm