SMALLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Smalley Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 20th October 2025 At 7.30pm at the Smalley Institute, Smalley

145/25 Present

L Pizzey (Chairman), G Rogers, M Bowen, W Judson, and J Saddington

146/25 Election of Vice-Chair

Cllr W Judson nominated Cllr J Saddington to be elected Vice-chair for the ensuing year, this was seconded by Cllr G Rogers, all members agreed.

147/25 Borough Councillor Report

Cllr L Pizzey reported next year the introduction of weekly food waste collections will be introduced, this service may not come online on time. Amber Valley will be Informing residents how this will operate.

There will be a meeting in 2 weeks to discuss the local government re-organisation.

148/25 Public Questions

None

149/25 Apologies

Cllr S Yeomans and Cllr J Ainsworth

150/25 Variation of Order of Business

None

149/25 Declaration of Members Interests

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

150/25 To confirm the non-confidential Minutes of the Meeting held on 15th September 2025

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

151/25 Police

PC L Mosler and PSCO J Brown attended the meeting, and the following report was given.

- Anti-social behaviour on Kerry Drive
- Several fires have been reported in the village, in the woods behind the Church and the Tavern Plantation of which the fire brigade attended.

• An extremely fast motorbike has been reported going through the village over the summer months, the Police are aware of this.

The Chairman asked if the police would attend the Friendship Café at the Baptist Church on Thursdays between 10-12 for the community catch up. PC Mosler to contact the Friendship Group.

152/25 Planning

AVA/2025/0600 – 12 Heanor Road Double storey side extension and loft conversion No objections

Planning working group to be put on the agenda for the next meeting, however Cllr Pizzey will continue to look at the planning applications this month.

153/25 Change of Internal Auditor

Members agreed to use the East Midlands Audit Services this year.

154/25 IT Policy

Cllr L Pizzey proposed, and Cllr Judson seconded that The IT Policy accepted, all members agreed, this to be reviewed in a year's time.

155/25 Lengthsman's duties

The lengthsman has been seen in the village on many occasions and residents have commented on this.

The poppies on the lamp posts are to be put up next week.

156/25 Playground Inspections

The toddler swings have been installed and fully compliant with BS rules and regulations.

The play equipment is fine on both the recreation grounds.

The wooden fence around the children's play area will require attention soon as some of the posts are rotting.

The spare part for the cradle swing has arrived and will be installed by the next meeting.

The football pitch is in good condition and there are four teams playing on it regularly.

The two memorial trees from the Mothers Union have died, Clerk to contact the Mothers Union Group to ask if they would like to replace these.

The tree survey highlighted no immediate action required, however pruning will have to take place soon.

A branch had to be removed from in a tree on Stainsby Meadow this month as the wind had damaged the tree.

The grant for restoring the hedgerow on the Tavern Plantation to be put on the agenda for next month.

Clerk to obtain a quotation for a new litter bin for Stainsby Meadow.

Clerk to obtain a quotation for removing the concrete area at the entrance to Dobholes Lane Car Park.

157/25 National Grid

The formal consultation will take place next year.

158/25 Parish Signs

All the STATS have been received, now waiting for quotations from contractors to install the signs.

159/25 CCTV

Clerk has received a quotation for the upgrade of a camera on Dobholes Lane, Clerk to obtain two more quotations.

Clerk to ask dale on regulations on cety cameras.

160/25 Snow Warden Scheme

Cllr L Pizzey to contact Derbyshire County Council to ask if they are continuing this scheme.

161/25 Budget Meeting

24th November 2025 at 7pm location to be confirmed.

162/25 November Parish Council Meeting

Tuesday 11th November 2025 location to be confirmed.

163/25 Website

The new website address and email addresses.gov.uk for all Councillors will be up and running at the beginning of November.

164/25 Finance

The financial and budget report for October has been circulated previously.

Members agreed that the following payments be made.

Shelter Maintenance	£111.41
	£1351.20
Shelter Maintenance – repair of shelters	
Salaries/expenses/pension/hmrc	£2024.16
M Blackwell – mowing of cemetery	£40.00
Outdoor Play Devon Ltd remaining payment for toddler	
Swings	£1665.00
Rent for Smalley Institute for meeting	£15.00
Sutcliffe – parts for play equipment	£442.02
Poppies and poppy wreath	£214.99
Lengthsman	£312.20
MacTree Services	£500.00
Booth- Hedge cutting	£162.00

A poppy wreath to be purchased which will be taken out of the Chairmans Allowance. This to be taken by the Chairman to the Remembrance Day Service at Church.

Cllr Judson to arrange for a Christmas tree to be decorated in the Church on behalf of the Parish Council.

165/25 Correspondence

Amber Valley Local Government Reorganisation – noted.

Request for Litter Bin – Kerry Drive – Clerk to confirm location and ask Amber Valley if they would provide a bin here.

Briefing from Save Kilburn & Horsley's Green Belt Committee – noted Cllr Pizzey to acknowledge the briefing and inform the committee that the Councillors present at Smalley Parish Council meeting supports their objections to this development.

The meeting closed at 21.19