MINUTES OF THE SWYNNERTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 17 SEPTEMBER 2020 IN SWYNNERTON VILLAGE HALL

 Present:
 Cllr D Butler (Chairman)

 Cllr (Mrs) N Adams

 Cllr F Cheadle

 Cllr (Mrs) J Malkin

 Cllr E Mateu

 In attendance
 Mrs Liz Harrington-Jones (Parish Clerk)

 Apologies:
 Cllr (Mrs) K Ong (Chairman)

 Cllr P Bickerstaffe
 Cllr N Leeson

 Cllr B Price
 Cllr J Pert, SCC

 Cllr R James, Stafford Borough Council (SBC)
 Cllr J Nixon, SBC

20/68 Welcome and Public Participation Time

As Cllr Ong was unwell Cllr Butler welcomed everyone to the meeting and took the chair.

20/69 Reports of County Councillors and Borough Councillors

Cllr Pert SCC had earlier informed the Clerk that the public consultation on yellow lines (Tittensor) and build outs (Swynnerton) had taken place earlier in the year in May or June. No Swynnerton Ward Councillor had received any correspondence and it was agreed that the Clerk should contact Cllr Pert to ask for details of the consultation.

Action: Clerk

20/70 Apologies for absence had been received from Cllrs Ong, Bickerstaffe, Leeson and Price, and these were accepted. Cllrs Pert (SCC), Nixon and James (SBC) had sent their apologies,

20/71 Declarations of Interest and to consider written requests from Councillors to grant a dispensation (S33 of the Localism Act 2011)

No Declarations of interest had been received.

20/72 To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 27 August 2020

RESOLVED That the minutes of the Swynnerton Parish Council meeting held on 27 August 2020 should be approved and signed by the Chairman.

20/73 Clerk's Report, Items not on the agenda

The Clerk reported that the issues raised by Titttensor residents at the previous meeting had been forwarded to Unity Care, who in their response had offered to meet residents. The response had been posted to the residents' representative, but no reply had yet been received from them.

The Clerk would obtain a spare set of keys to enable |Mr Challinor to inspect the notice boards.

20/74 Financial matters

2074.i September accounts for payment

The following accounts were considered –Clerk's salary and expenses449.04HMRC, PAYE/NI303.40E Challinor, moving sign35.00fJ Green, grass cutting288.00Total payments for September 2020£1,075.44

RESOLVED - That the accounts for September 2020 should be approved for payment.

20/75 Traffic issues in the Parish

20/75.i Update on installation of solar powered speed signs

The flashing speed signs are not expected to be delivered until well into October. The Clerk will contact SCC to confirm the installation of posts. Action: Clerk

The flashing speed sign would be moved to a different site on the following Monday.

20/76 Ward matters Swynnerton, Tittensor, Trentham

A resident of Frobisher Drive, Swynnerton, had asked to plant bulbs at the entrance to the Drive, and this was agreed. Cllr Malkin reported that Gilders lorries were again travelling through Tittensor.

Date

Cll K Ong, Chairman

20/77 To confirm and adopt the Accessibility Statement for Swynnerton PC

REOLVED That the Accessibility Statement for Swynnerton PC should be confirmed and adopted.

20/78 Neighbourhood Plan, progress on submission of Plan

After discussion Councillors agreed that the Clerk should contact Urban Vision to obtain an estimate for completing and submitting the Neighbourhood Plan. The Clerk reported that approximately £7,000 funding should be available, with opportunities to apply for further funding if appropriate.

20/79 HS2, update on project

Councillors were reminded of a briefing by HS2 the following day via Zoom on the archaeological discoveries that had been made since work started on the project.

20/80 Recruitment process for new Clerk

SPCA has provided an information pack, not all of it relevant, which the Clerk would edit and circulate to Councillors. The Clerk would prepare a draft advertisement and job description and circulate them to Councillors.

20/81 Correspondence and circulars received by the Clerk

Bank statements had been received by post. All relevant email correspondence had been forwarded to Councillors. Councillors were reminded that the SBC Parish Forum would be held the following Thursday by Zoom.

20/82 Date of next meeting

The next meeting would be held in Tittensor Village Hall on Thursday 29 October 2020 at 7.15 pm. There being no other business the Chairman thanked everyone for attending, and declared the meeting closed.