

**Linton Parish Council**

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**Minutes of the Linton Parish Council Meeting held on 18 March 2025, commencing at  
7pm at Linton Brick Rooms**

**Present:** Cllr Tilley (In the Chair), Cllr Tizzard, Cllr Browne, Cllr Miles, Cllr Smith, Cllr Troydan-Fraser, Cllr Rai-Aytain and Cllr D Swinburn.

**In Attendance:** 1 Member of the Public and 1 District Council Representative Cllr Tilley.

**AGENDA**

**24/211 - To receive apologies for absence. Local Govt Act 1972 s85 (1)**

***RESOLVED: Apologies were received and accepted as follows:***

- ***Cllr Fraser due to other work commitments.***

**24/212 - Variation of the Order of Business**

There were no Variations to the Order of Business.

**24/213 - Declaration of Members Interests. Local Government Act 1972 s 83 (4)**

There was no Declaration of Members Interests.

**24/214 - Adjournment for Public Speaking. Public Bodies (admission to meetings) Act 1960 s1 extended by the LG Act 1972 s100**

Cllr Swann gave his apologies, there was nothing to report.

Member of the public asked the Parish Council for support, he was informed that once he completed and filed an application, the Parish Council would support this.

Cllr Tilley gave his report at the meeting as follows:

- Cllr Tilley update the Parish Council on the unitary authority progress. Derby City and the 10 District Councils are working towards a North South two authority split. The South including Derby City, South Derbyshire, Erewash and Amber Valley. But Amber Valley might sit in the North Authority, this is still to be decided.
- He reported that SDDC Environmental Health had been informed of a rat infestation in the old Linton Chippy.

**24/215 - To confirm the minutes of the Linton Parish Council Meeting held on 11 February 2025**

***RESOLVED: The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 11 February 2025, having been circulated were accepted as a true record. Proposed by Cllr Mikles and seconded by Cllr Smith agreed unanimously.***

**24/216- Parish Council Committee/Working Group Reports Updates**

**a) Highways, Pavements, & Street Furniture Working Group Report - Cllr Rai-Aytain and Cllr Troyden-Fraser**

1. New Speed Indicator Sign, Linton Heath 2024/2025 & 2025/2026 Project –  
There was nothing further to report.

Virgin were in the village installing fibre cables along the footpaths, residents have asked that this be reported to DCC as they are making a mess of the pavements.

Cllr Troyden-Fraser had reported 27 potholes around the village.

**b) Finance Committee Report – All Councillors and the Clerk**

**1. Year End prep work**

- a) Updated Asset Register 2024/2025 – Year End

***RESOLVED: Deferred till the April 2025 Parish Council Meeting. The Clerk to circulate the asset register.***

- b) Business Risk Assessment 2024/2025 – Year End

***RESOLVED: Approval proposed by Cllr Browne and seconded by Cllr Troyden Fraser.***

- c) Councillor Responsibility 2024/2025 – Year End

***RESOLVED: Approval proposed by Cllr Troyden-Fraser and seconded by Cllr Miles.***

- d) Updated Land and Building Register 2024/2025 – Year End

***RESOLVED: Approval proposed by Cllr Browne and seconded by Cllr Troyden-Fraser.***

- e) Update and reallocation of Reserves for 2025/2026

***RESOLVED: It was approved to accept the reallocation of the reserves proposed by Cllr Smith and seconded by Cllr Miles.***

- f) Update on the Parish Council charge Card – Agreed to go with  
Equals Money

It was reported that the application process had been completed.

- g) Confirmation of the Concurrent Expenses from SDDC £13,609.91  
Form Completed.

The Parish Council noted the Concurrent expenses claim.

- h) Request from the Bus Park Community Hub for S137 Grant Funding

**RESOLVED: It was proposed by Cllr Miles and seconded by Cllr Troyden-Fraser not to give a donation to the above.**

- i) Request from Linton and Rosliston Scout Group for a S137 Grant Funding

Cllr Tilley to obtain further information and reply to the Scout Group as they wanted contact details for other funding sources.

- j) Consider DALC Subscription
  - 1. Annual Subscription only £807.72
  - 2. Optional Enhanced Training Fee £320.00
  - 3. Total cost £1,127.72

**RESOLVED: It was agreed not to go ahead with the subscription for 2025/2026.**

- k) Consider the quote from Watson and Watson for the Risk Assessment 2025/2026 £1,050.00 ex VAT

**RESOLVED: Agreed to go ahead proposed by Cllr Browne and seconded by Cllr Smith.**

- c) **Coton Park Recreation Ground Working Group Report - Cllr Tilley and Cllr Tizzard**
  - 1. Consider obtaining quotes Badger Hollows for:
    - a) Update rubber safety surface quotes – Cllr Troyden-Fraser and Cllr Tilley

It was reported that Bloomin Gardens had repaired both areas and the work was now completed.

- b) Update Climbing Wall Project – Cllr Troyden-Fraser

It was reported that the project will start on 28.04.2025 and Cllr Troyden-Fraser would be the project manager.

- 2. Ratification of the footpath work at Badger Hollows Recreation Ground and further quote for £770.00 ex VAT.

**RESOLVED: To go ahead proposed by Cllr Tilley and seconded by Cllr Smith.**

- 3. Update £2,000.00 reduced to £1,796.00 after the tree chipping work was completed of £204.00 - funding towards the project at Badger Hollows Nature reserve.
  - a) To consider a further quote from Bloomin Gardens to Chip piles of Brash £180.00 ex VAT

**RESOLVED: The above quote was agreed proposed by Cllr Troyden-Fraser and seconded by Cllr Smith.**

**RESOLVED: The Clerk to deduct the above amount for the budget for this project.**

- 4. Consider Willow Planting in the boggy area at Badger's Hollow Recreation Ground.

**RESOLVED: The Clerk to obtain a quote for the planting of trees and fencing off the area. Proposed by Cllr Tilley and seconded by Cllr Smith.**

**d) Facilities Working Group Report - Cllr Fraser and Cllr Troyden-Fraser**

- 1) Consider maintenance of the Onyx sign Rickman's Corner – Money added to the budget for 2025/2026

It was reported that Cllr Tilley was still looking into this.

- 2) Update Village Hall Meeting Report. – Cllr Troyden-Fraser

It was reported that no contact had yet been made.

**RESOLVED: Cllr Troyden-Fraser to open up discussions with the Village Hall Committee on the ways forward and to include Rickman's Corner into the conversations.**

- 3) Update Registration of Linton Recreation Ground with Timms Solicitors

Nothing to report, matter still ongoing.

- 4) Update Memorial Bench in memory of Cllr Kath Lauro. – Application with DCC received, contact made with the family and awaiting further instructions from the family.

**RESOLVED: The Clerk to obtain quotes from Bloomin Gardens to install a bench the same as the allotments and to plant a mature tree.**

- 5) Allotment updated:
  - a. Update on the Allotment Agreement

There was nothing to report.

- 6) Tree Reports to be completed on 03.03.2025 – Tree reports should be received for the April 2025 Parish Council Meeting.

There was nothing to report.

- 7) To consider the Newsletter for publishing.

**RESOLVED: Deferred to the April 2025 Parish Council Meeting.**

**RESOLVED: To add social media to the agenda for April 2025.**

**e) Footpath and Forestry Working Group Report - Cllr Browne and Cllr McCord**

Cllr Browne gave her report as follows:

- Footpaths all clear
- Clerk to report household rubbish in the hedge at Duchess Close to the Environment Department at SDDC.
- Clerk to write to the resident who was having deliveries, using the entrance to Foxley Entrance without our permission.
- The Clerk to write to Environmental Health at SDDC re Footpath 10 sewage and pollution issues

**24/217 - Outside Bodies - Other Meetings attended - Area Forum – Cllr Tizzard and Cllr Rai-Aytain**

There was nothing to report.

**24/218 - To consider the following payments, any payments required after publication of the agenda will be advised at the meeting.**

**a. Payments List**

Online Payments Date	Payee	Description	Amount	Power
10/03/2025	Bloomin Gardens	Maintenance	519.50	Open Space Act 1906 s9,10
10/03/2025	Bloomin Gardens	Maintenance	472.00	Open Space Act 1906 s9,10
10/03/2025	Salaries, Tax NIC and Pension contributions		1,562.21	LGA 1972 s112 – 119
10/03/2025	Parish Allowance	Cllr H Aytain, Cllr Tizzard & Cllr Browne	676.00	LGA 1972 s111
10/03/2025	Rainbow Waste	Waste Collection	23.89	Provision of bins Litter Act, 1983, ss.5, 6
10/03/2025	Vision ICT	Emil	48.00	Open Space Act 1906 s9,10
10/03/2025	Linton Primary School	Bench Donation	250.00	Chairs Allowance

***RESOLVED: The Council approved the above payments.***

**b. Consider Unaudited Accounts to 31.01.2025**

Current Account	49,084.01
Reserve Account	<u>71,810.68</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>120,894.69</b>

***RESOLVED: The Council approved the unaudited accounts and supporting paperwork.***

**24/219 - Planning matters for consideration**

- a. Applications for consideration - Town and Country Planning Act 1990, Sched. 1, para.8 - Right to be notified of planning applications if right has been requested. Any application received after publication of the agenda will be advised at the meeting.
- b. Linton Parish Council Members who are also Members of SDDC's Planning and/or Licensing Committee provide comments as a preliminary view only at this stage, and they may change their view when they hear all the evidence at a meeting of South Derbyshire District Council's Planning and/or Licensing Committee.

Planning Ref	Details	Location	Consultation End Date
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DMPA/2024/1661	Proposed barn conversion to dwellinghouse	Sealwood Barn, Seal Wood Lane, Linton, Swadlincote, DE12 6PA	24.03.2025
DMPN/2025/0229	Prior Notification for the extension of an agricultural barn	Sealwood Cottage Farm, Wood Lane, Linton, Swadlincote, DE12 6PA	17.03.2025

**RESOLVED: There were no objections or comments to the above applications.**

**24/220 - Risk Assessments current updates**

- a) Update Watson and Watson inspection to take place on 16.07.2024

Area/Observations	Priority	Action	Pic N°	Time Scale
<b>Badgers Hollow:</b>				
<b>Village Orchard:</b>				
The fence demarking the border between council & owners property seems to be leaning somewhat	NA	Since my last report Council have put in place a monitoring system but feel the fence is not dangerous as the ivy is holding it up.		<b>Cllrs to continue to monitor this issue</b>
<b>Allotments:</b>				
Road/path at the bottom of the access road presents a slip trip hazard.		Although noted before I will leave this item in for completeness.		<b>Being Monitored by Cllrs</b>

- b) Weekly Risk Assessments – Bloomin Gardens any outstanding issues.  
c) Yearly Risk Assessments – SDDC with the Play Inspection Company which took place on 08.04.2024

There was nothing further to report.

**24/221 - To note Items for information. – Information received by the Clerk via email and forwarded to Cllr between meetings.**

**RESOLVED: The Council noted the following information.**

- a) Community News from Derbyshire County Council – 24 February 2025
- b) Pension Regulator - Automatic enrolment: Re-declaration of compliance submitted
- c) Community News from Derbyshire County Council – 3 March 2025
- d) Public experiences of local pharmacy services wanted
- e) SDDC - Tree Reports confirmation

**24/222 - Date of the Linton Parish Council Meeting to be confirmed as 8 April 2025, at the Brick Rooms Linton, commencing at 7pm**

**RESOLVED: The next meeting was approved as 8 April 2025 at the Brick Rooms Linton, commencing at 7pm.**