

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING OF
SWAFIELD AND BRADFIELD HELD ON TUESDAY 3RD MAY, 2016
AT 7.00 PM IN THE VILLAGE HALL, SWAFIELD

Present:-

Chairman - Cllr. E. Alexander, Vice-Chairman - Cllr. J. Hook,
Cllr. B. Clabon, Cllr. N. Standing and Cllr. M. Starling.
Julie Chance MILCM - Clerk.
Six members of the public also attended the meeting.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor T Bullock
County Councillor W Northam and District Councillor N Coppack

**2. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING
HELD ON TUESDAY 12TH MAY 2015**

The Minutes of the meeting of the Annual Parish Meeting held on
Tuesday 12th May 2015, having been circulated, were taken as read,
AGREED and signed by the Chairman.

3. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Attached

4. FINANCE REPORT

Attached

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None received.

There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting at 7.10 pm.

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Chairman

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Date

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 2016

Good evening ladies and gentlemen

Thanks to all members who have submitted photos and information on themselves for the website.

All but one planning applications were supported, the originally rejected one was passed when reapplied for.

First time sewerage is coming to Swafield and Bradfield in the near future. The Parish Council has had a meeting with Anglian Water. At this meeting we found certain properties were not included in the plan, and we have asked Anglian water to give us reasons why these properties have been omitted, and to see if there is a possibility of them being included.

We have, during the last year, continued to raise money for a defibrillator. The target has been reached- the summer fete, the Christmas tombola and Christmas trees, donations from local businesses, and individuals, has exceeded all expectations. We are now in a position to purchase the defibrillator and site it at Tavern Tasty Butchers, who have kindly given us permission to place it on their property.

It was decided not to install the defibrillator in the phone box as originally agreed due to lack of easy access.

We are holding a village event, with the Village Hall, to raise money once again this year. This will enable the hall to install their new west window, and the Parish Council to pay off some of the loan taken out to pay for the VAS signs.

It is hoped that this event will once again bring out the local people and foster a community spirit in the village.

Parish councilors attended various meetings during the year. The knowledge that they gained gives them a greater ability to fulfil their roles as councilors. For example the Tourist Management Forum meeting dealt with the question of second homes and car parking charges, topics which affect us all.

The speed watch team, which comprise of 3members at the moment, needs more volunteers so that a rota can be produced. The last speed check was on April 22nd.approximately 300 cars came through the village in one hour-one motorist was travelling at 40 m.p.h.

The speed watch is endeavoring to make our village a safer place –there is no foot path alongside a very busy main road-and by cutting speeding we will hopefully make our village a safer place to live and walk in.

Many thanks to all members who have attended meetings on a regular basis and have helped with the activities we have undertaken during the year.

Our thanks also to Julie, our clerk, who has kept us well informed, putting us right when we wander from the straight and narrow.

This concludes my report.

**SWAFIELD AND BRADFIELD PARISH COUNCIL
FINANCE REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2016**

Receipts increased by £5,109 largely as a result of an increase in the Precept of £863 and £4,540 raised through fund-raising events and donations to purchase a defibrillator. This defibrillator had not been purchased in the current year, therefore it will be shown as a payment in the year ending 31st March 2017.

Payments reduced by £365 largely due to a reduction in S137 payments.

The balance at bank increased by £5,501.