

SWETTENHAM PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held at The Swettenham Club on
17th March 2025

8	<p>Cemetery & War Memorial</p> <p>a. The Clerk reported that the Consecration of the remainder of the cemetery had taken place on Sunday 23rd February. The Consecration had been carried out by the Bishop of Stockport Rt Rev Sam Corley and the Solicitor/Registrar was also in attendance to complete the legal formalities. Although it was a very windy day the ceremony was well attended by Parish Councillors and local residents. The Chairman had discussed the provision of hardwood gates with the contractor (Silktown Group) who had provided the initial quotation. He had said the hardwood would be considerably more than soft wood and it was agreed to continue with pre-treated softwood gates and posts. Cllr Andow reminded the Council that a telephone wire runs underneath the gate posts and care must be taken not to cut through it. It was agreed to proceed as soon as possible with the gate replacements as the existing gates are rotten and posing a risk of injury.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Proposed: Cllr French Seconded: Cllr Sturrock Carried unanimously</p> <p>b. There had been no new applications for memorials. The application for a memorial for Mr A Riddell had been approved by email at the end of January.</p>	Cllr Shaw
9	<p>Highways Maintenance & Footpaths/Bridlepaths</p> <p>a. The potholes are getting worse. Whilst some of them have white lines around them indicating that CEC Highways would be patching them, many do not. Everyone is asked to keep reporting them. The motorcycles seem to be coming back to the Swettenham Arms on a Thursday evening despite being encouraged to go to the Waggon & Horses in Eaton. There is still no contact phone number or email which had been promised by Robinsons at the meeting last year.</p> <p>b. The Clerk had received a thread of emails from Geoff Leech regarding the current situation between United Utilities and the Swettenham Arms. The Clerk was asked to forward these to Cllr Shaw. The tractor and tanker continue to make daily visits to the waste water plant.</p>	Clerk
10	<p>Review of dates for meetings 2025/26</p> <p>The clerk had, pre-meeting, submitted suggested dates for meetings in 2025/2026. Following a discussion, the following dates were agreed as most suitable:</p> <p>Monday 19th May 2025 Monday 28th July 2025 Monday 29th September 2025 Monday 17th November 2025 Monday 19th January 2026 Monday 16th March 2026 Monday 18th May 2026</p>	
11	<p>Correspondence</p> <p>Correspondence, received since the date of the last meeting, appended to these minutes (but not displayed on notice board), was noted by the Council.</p>	
	<p>Date of next meeting. Resolved: to note the date of the next scheduled Council meeting (Annual Meeting) as Monday 19th May 2025 following the Annual Parish Meeting which will commence at 7:30pm</p>	