

SWETTENHAM PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held at The Swettenham Club on
19th January 2026

Present:	Councillors Shaw, Andow, Kirk, Keen, Millward & Sturrock; Clerk & RFO, Mrs P Sturrock																									
Item	Detail	Action																								
1	Apologies: Cllr French due to work commitments																									
2	Declaration of interest: None																									
3	<p>Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 17 November 2025 The minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held 17th November 2025 were accepted.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Proposed: Cllr Sturrock Seconded: Cllr Millward Carried Unanimously</p>																									
4	Public Forum: There were no questions from members of the public.																									
5	<p>Matters Arising:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. The Clerk and Cllr Sturrock reported on a webinar they had attended with regard to the proposed pipeline through Kermincham by Peak Cluster which will carry CO2 from cement and lime production in the Peak District to the Irish Sea. The final route has not yet been finalised and no details have been released regarding disruption to roads or agriculture nor compensation for loss and damage to property b. Work is going on in the car park of the Swettenham Arms which may be related to United Utilities dealing with the treatment plant 																									
6	<p>Finance:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Finance Report to January 2026 The RFO had produced a financial report for the period to 19 January 2026 showing balances of £363.71 in the current account, after approval of payments on the agenda, and £9483.81 in the reserve account. b. Payments <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;">i. Payment of Clerk's salary – December 2024 January 2025</td> <td style="width: 10%;">BACS</td> <td style="width: 10%;">-</td> <td style="width: 10%;">£747.04</td> <td style="width: 10%;"></td> </tr> <tr> <td>ii. HMRC PAYE</td> <td>BACS</td> <td>-</td> <td>£161.40</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>iii. Harts interim payroll (incl VAT)</td> <td>BACS</td> <td>-</td> <td>£48.00</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td rowspan="2">iv. WaterPlus – cemetery water charges</td> <td>08/12/2025</td> <td>DD</td> <td>-</td> <td>£7.16</td> </tr> <tr> <td>09/01/2025</td> <td>DD</td> <td>-</td> <td>£6.57</td> </tr> </table> <p style="text-align: right;">Proposed: Cllr Shaw Seconded: Cllr Kirk Carried unanimously</p> 	i. Payment of Clerk's salary – December 2024 January 2025	BACS	-	£747.04		ii. HMRC PAYE	BACS	-	£161.40		iii. Harts interim payroll (incl VAT)	BACS	-	£48.00		iv. WaterPlus – cemetery water charges	08/12/2025	DD	-	£7.16	09/01/2025	DD	-	£6.57	<p style="text-align: right;">Clerk</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Clerk</p>
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7	<p>Cemetery and War Memorial</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. The whips in the hedge at the front of the cemetery are not growing well. Cllr Andow will add some mulch to the soil. Discussion about putting in a different variety such as holly. Cllr Shaw will ask his contractors to quote for filling in. b. An application for a headstone in the cemetery had been received in respect of Mr CW Padfield. It was RESOLVED to approve the application <p style="text-align: right;">Proposed; Cllr Sturrock Seconded: Cllr Millward Carried unanimously</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Cllr Andow Cllr Shaw</p>																								

Signed.....J Shaw Chairman

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<p>8</p>	<p>Venue for Council Meetings Discussion about the future venue for Council meetings. It was agreed to keep holding meetings at the Swettenham Club particularly as it is the closest venue to being a village hall.</p>	
<p>9</p>	<p>Highways Maintenance & Footpaths/Bridlepaths Cheshire East have issued a road closure order for Swettenham Lane from the top of Sandy Lane to the junction of Parsons Bank. This is for drainage works and will be carried out from March 9th to 13th. Vehicular access will be maintained for emergency vehicles and residents where possible.</p>	
<p>10</p>	<p>Correspondence. Correspondence, received since the date of the last meeting, appended to these minutes (but not displayed on the Notice Board), was noted by the Council.</p>	
<p>11</p>	<p>Date of next meeting. Resolved: to note the date of the next scheduled council meeting as Monday 16th March 2026 which will commence at 7:30pm.</p>	