SWANNINGTON with ALDERFORD & LITTLE WITCHINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON January 15th. 2025

Present: Mrs.Sue Darling (Chair) Mr.Steve Williams Mrs.H.Mutimer (Vice-Chair) Mr.T.Nelson Mr.C.Drayson

In attendance: Mr.J.Graves - Clerk Public – None

a) **Public Participation** None
b) **Police Report** There was one incident reported in November
c) **Norfolk County Council Report** n/a
d) **Broadland District Council Report** n/a
e) **Full Council Meeting**

1. **Apologies** Mr.Peter Bulman (BDC) Mr.Greg Peck (NCC) Mr.J.Powles Mr.D.Harvey
2. **Declarations of Interest** None
3. **Minutes** The minutes of the meeting on November 20th. were confirmed and signed.
4. **Reports** The Clerk reported that repairs to the Upgate information board were progressing. He had been in direct contact with the Highways engineer regarding damaged and missing signs at the Station Road/Reepham Road junction.
5. **Planning** 2025/0012 2 Rose Cottages School Road – Removal of timber store and erect extension to annexe. The Council had no objection
6. **Commons** Mr.Willams gave his report detailing work done by volunteers since the last meeting and reported that he had engaged the services of a new volunteer group who had carried out work on a pond at Upgate common. The Clerk had asked Nurture landscapes for their charging rates for 2025 and would liaise with Mr.Williams if engaging the volunteer group for the Alderford footpaths would be advantageous.
7. **Parish Precept** After consideration of projections submitted by the Clerk it was agreed to set the precept for 2025/2026 at £6,200.
8. **Correspondence** Following a report from Norfolk ALC it was agreed to support the move to establish the organisation as a Company limited by guarantee.
9. **Finance** The Clerk had provided an update of the Council's financial balances.

   Cheque signed between meetings:
   J.Graves – Salary & Expenses 3rd.Qtr. (inc. PAYE) £925.96
   Cheque signed at the meeting:
   Norfolk Conservation Corps – work at Commons £55.50

10. **Clerk's and Councillors' Reports** None
11. **Next Meeting** Swannington Church – Wed. March 19th. at 7.30 p.m.