

**DRAFT MINUTES OF ANNUAL SALWARPE PARISH MEETING**

Held 17<sup>th</sup> March 2025, 7:00pm

Salwarpe Village Hall

Present: Parish Council Chairman P. Oakley  
Clerk to the Council Elizabeth Gallagher

In attendance: Parish Councillors (5) District Councillors (1) County Councillor (1)  
Police Representation None.

Apologies: Tree Warden R. Bradley

Minutes Recorder: Cllr B. Meddings

**1.Minutes.**

Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> March 2024. Proposed by Councillor Phillips as an accurate record, Seconded by Councillor Armitage. Unanimously accepted.

**2.Chairmans Address.**

LGA 1972, s11 & s19. Where parishes are grouped under a Common Parish Council. An Annual Parish Meeting shall be separately held and recorded as so held.

i): The Council had contracted to gift two EV Charging units and eight cycle racks to Salwarpe Village Hall Trust at a cost of £6,656, in support of the enlargement and upgrading of the Village Hall Carpark.

ii): The Council throughout the year paid a total of £5,570 on behalf of the Copcut Rise community on a local Memorial Garden, Bench in remembrance of Alfie Steele, the hire of a travelling Music Bus to encourage younger children to experience music related sessions, additional litter bins on the estate.

iii): The Council provided a S137 grant of £6,500 to Chawson First School attended by Salwarpe pupils, in support of an Out of Hours Reading Club.

Chairman's address attached.

**3.Parish Path Warden Report.**

Concern was expressed on the lack of liaison from the County Council's Countryside section in not notifying the resignation of the Salwarpe Parish Path Warden Mr M. Griffiths. The future responsibility for maintenance of Public Rights of Way will be affected by the impending reorganisation into a Unitary Authority.

**Parish Tree Warden Report.**

Warden Rose Bradley provided a written report circulated prior to the meeting (Attached)

**5.PUBLIC OPEN FORUM.**

No parishioners in attendance.

**6.Date of next Annual Martin Salwarpe Parish Meeting 16<sup>th</sup> March 2026.**

Signed (Chairman)

Date