

## **TINGEWICK PARISH COUNCIL**

### DRAFT MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 3rd DECEMBER 2015 AT 8.00PM

PRESENT: Cllr Smith  
Cllr Fenemore  
Cllr Swinburne  
Cllr Roy  
Cllr Lightfoot  
Cllr Hornsey  
Dawn Rogers (Parish Clerk)

IN ATTENDANCE: 11 members of the public

#### **149 Apologies**

Cllr Fealey (District Councillor)  
Cllr Stuchbury (County Councillor)  
Cllr Churchfield

#### **150 Declarations of Interest**

Cllr Fenemore declared an interest in Item 155- 15/03642/APP-TINGEWICK- The Bungalow, Church Lane.

#### **151 To approve minutes of the meeting held on 5th November 2015**

It was proposed that the minutes be approved as a true and accurate record.

Proposed by Cllr Swinburne                      Seconded: Cllr Fenemore                      Approved

#### **152 Matters arising for information and reports only**

Item 88 - School Playground Surface - The school has been advised that Wickstead consider the playground surface to be safe.

Item 101 - Cllr Smith and Cllr Roy attended a Village Hall Committee Meeting to discuss the use of s106 funding. It was agreed that the Village Hall Committee will confirm a proposal.

Item 145 - The Christmas tree has been purchased and decorated. Thanks extended to Mr Maxwell for his assistance with the tree lights.

#### **153 County Councillor's Report**

Apologies received.

#### **154 District Councillor's Report**

Apologies received.

#### *Open Forum*

*Concern raised regarding the proposed development adjoining Field Close. There were concerns that the drainage was inadequate and there are traffic/ access issues that may result in a cap in the number of houses in the area following the development of Field Close. The Parish Council has similar concerns regarding traffic, safety and access.*

*Concern was also raised that the current infrastructure was insufficient, particularly telecommunications/broadband. It was noted that it was unlikely that this is an enforceable*

*requirement on a developer as it is the responsibility of the broadband provider however this can be raised in the consultation to the Vale Plan.*

*It was asked whether there could be safety barrier at the end of the Gorrell Lane footpath should the development proceed. This can be considered should the application move forward.*

*The Tree Preservation Orders on the various trees in the area of the proposed development will be respected by developers should the application proceed.*

*A view was put forward by a resident that the capacity of the culvert is considered to be inadequate. This has been raised with Anglian Water who advise they are limited by statute as to the size of culvert. Investigations could be made into upstream influx as a contributory factor to the excessive flow of water downstream.*

*It was confirmed that the Parish Council does not own any potential development land. It was suggested that the recent correspondence from Bathurst Partners refers to the Recreation field. Cllr Roy has tried to follow this up but Bathurst Partners provided an incorrect telephone number. The correct number will be provided to Cllr Roy. **Action: Cllr Roy***

*NB – the PC is in the process of purchasing the Recreation field for further development as a major community leisure resource.*

*A resident is having difficulty obtaining insurance due to flooding. Advice was provided to contact BCC's Flood Officer to obtain a map confirming that the area is not shown to be a flood risk from rivers. Recent flooding has been due to blocked gullies and culverts which have been cleared and are monitored.*

## **155 Planning**

**15/03642/APP-TINGEWICK-** The Bungalow, Church Lane (Demolition of a side garage to children's nursery and erection of a single story extension). Cllr Fenemore took no part in the discussion - No objections.

**15/03672/APP-TINGEWICK-** Land off Gorrell Lane (Outline application with access to be considered and all other matters reserved for 9 dwellings with associated access, marking and landscaping) The Parish Council Objects. on grounds of increased traffic flow on the surrounding road network, access for emergency vehicles, and strain on existing village infrastructure generally

**15/03560/APP-TINGEWICK-** West Well Farm, Barton Road (Demolition of existing single storey side extension; two storey front extension and single storey rear extension with lantern roof light. Addition of solar panels to roof and installation of two air source heat pumps; change of use or land from agricultural use to form extended residential curtilage) - No objections

## **156 Accounts**

See Appendix for details of transactions and budget report.

It was proposed that the Transaction Report be accepted.

Proposed: Cllr Roy                      Seconded: Cllr Fenemore                      Agreed

It was proposed that the Budget Report be accepted.

Proposed: Cllr Lightfoot                      Seconded: Cllr Hornsey                      Agreed

## **157 Budget**

The draft budget was presented by the Clerk.

It was proposed that the budget be approved as drafted and attached to these minutes.

Proposed: Chairman                      Seconded: Cllr Fenemore                      Agreed

### **158 Precept Request**

It was proposed that a precept request be made to AVDC in the sum of £27,000.

Proposed: Chairman

Seconded: Cllr Roy

Agreed

### **159 Councillors Reports and Items for Future Agenda**

#### **Street Lighting**

The light to the entrance to the village by the traffic calming measure has been repaired. Stowe View - further work has been carried out to a faulty light and the voltage to a further light has been upgraded to provide a brighter light.

Resident at Stockley's Lane is dissatisfied with the Parish Council's decision not to install a further street light.

An article will be placed in the Tingewick News to explaining how to report faulty street lights and providing general information.

A general inspection of the lights will be undertaken and a priority list be drawn up so that the Parish Council can plan accordingly for maintenance and replacement over the coming financial periods.

Bovis Site lighting - The Parish Council has confirmed its adoption of the lighting at the development. The Parish Council will ask for a committed sum in respect of future maintenance. Advice as to the relevant figure will be obtained by the clerk. **Action: Clerk**

#### **Footpaths and Pond**

Nothing to report

#### **Cemetery, Grass Cutting and Special Projects**

Nothing to report regarding grass cutting and special projects.

It was confirmed that ashes can be scattered or interred but if they are interred the interment must be carried out by an undertaker.

#### **Playgrounds, Roads and Street Furniture**

Playgrounds are all in order

The gully sucker has recently been active in the village.

#### **Recreation Ground**

Nothing to report

#### **Planning**

There have been no planning decisions regarding the village made since the last meeting. There is a concern that the draft Housing and Planning Bill would impact upon the future availability of affordable housing if the provision to allow a 'Right to Buy' is approved. The Parish Council is supportive of affordable housing and would be concerned if it were to be diminished. The Parish Council is accordingly supportive of the Housing Association in their lobbying against the changing of the definition of affordable housing.

### **160 Vale of Aylesbury Plan**

Cllr Roy presented a comprehensive overview of the Vale of Aylesbury Local Plan Issues and Options Consultation Document.

Housing Allocations.

It was agreed that the response to the consultation questions would be as follows;

1 Option A - Sustainable settlements with an extension to Milton Keynes and Bletchley is the preferred option.

2 Other options would require further studies which would delay adoption of the plan and therefore prolong uncertainty for residents, and those involving intensification would impact upon the character of the villages.

3 The Parish Council does not support the other stated options.

5, 6 and 7 No comment on the Housing and Economic Development Needs Assessment.

8 There are no reasons to disagree with the conclusions of the Housing and Employment Land Availability Assessment.

9 There are no reason to disagree with status of Tingewick as a larger village in terms of the criteria adopted by AVDC.

**Development and Management Policies**

The Parish Council has previously commented on the issues raised regarding the elderly and travellers pitches and will restate its comments.

The Parish Council would wish to retain the existing landscape designation and protection for land to the north of the village.

The Parish Council would wish to see a strategic policy regarding flooding and infrastructure generally to address issues on drainage, broadband and telecommunications.

Cllr Roy will draft response and forward to clerk for submission.

**Action: Clerk**

### **161 Street Lighting at Stow View**

The faulty light has been repaired.

A site visit took place to consider the adequacy of lighting in the area. It was noted that it is not feasible to add an additional lamp column. However the wattage of a light in the area has been improved which has alleviated the problem.

### **162 Salt Bin at Gorrell Close**

It was agreed that the damage to the current bin be considered along with its relocation so as to best serve the area.

### **163 Correspondence**

Buckingham and Winslow Citizens Advice Bureau - Request for a donation - It was proposed that a donation of £50.00 be made on the basis that it is reasonable use of s137 given the CAB service provides a valuable service which is available to be used by the village residents

Proposed: Cllr Swinburne.      Seconded: Cllr Hornsey      Agreed

Clean for the Queen' - The Parish Council will express a willingness to engage

Traffic speed in Barton Road - Representations have been received from residents that traffic is driving without due care and consideration for the residents and that speeds are at times inappropriate. A letter will be sent to the landlord of the businesses in the area asking for their assistance with this matter.

**Action: Clerk**

### **164 Recreation Ground Report/Development**

The Parish Council is still awaiting the receipt of the first tranche of S106 monies before it can proceed with the purchase of the recreation field and the development of the area.

### **165 Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting is to take place on 7th January at 8.00pm in the Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 10.25pm.