

## TINGEWICK PARISH COUNCIL

### DRAFT MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 2<sup>nd</sup> FEBRUARY 2012

PRESENT:	Cllr Smith	Chairman
	Cllr Fenemore	Councillor
	Cllr Swinburne	Councillor
	Cllr Thurlby	Councillor
	Cllr Roy	Councillor
	Cllr Hornsey	Councillor
	Cllr Maxwell	Councilor
	Cllr Fealey	District Councillor
	Cllr Cadd	County Councillor
	Dawn Rogers	Clerk

IN ATTENDANCE: 1 member of the public

**19 Apologies**

None

**20 Declarations of Interest**

None

**21 To approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> January 2012**

Item 10 – It was noted that Cllr Swinburne proposed the precept request.  
Proposed: Cllr Swinburne Seconded: Cllr Roy - Approved.

**22 Matters Arising for information and reports only**

Item 184 – A quotation has been received from ‘Women with Waders’. The pond liner is in an acceptable condition. In due course maintenance will be required as the banks are being slightly eroded. It was agreed that the work suggested is not necessary at this stage.

Open Forum 05.01.12 – AVDC have agreed to visit West Well Lane/Close to see if additional signage is required.

Open Forum 05.01.12 – A notice was placed in Tingewick News by Neighbourhood Watch to advise of the correct position of parking and junction awareness. This will also be brought to the attention of the police.

BCC will be asked whether they can assist in respect of priorities being ignored on Main Street.

**Action: Chairman**

Open Forum 05.01.12 – No information has been received yet as to whether residents from outside of the Parish are being given priority for the affordable housing.

**23 County Councillor’s Report**

The speed limit review has been completed.

Cllrs Cadd is a member of Health Scrutiny Committee. It hoped that information will soon be available as to the structure of health provision in Bucks. The information will be passed to the Parish Council once available.

The ‘Place Service’ is being created out of the merger of the Planning, Environment & Development, Transport and Property Departments.

## **24 District Councillor's Report**

AVDC have agreed to accept the government grant this year to ensure that there is no increase in council tax and will look to savings for the forthcoming years.

A New Homes Bonus is available on new properties for up to six years. To date this has funded various projects and some has been placed in the revenue budget.

AVDC is carrying out a consultation as to how parishes would like to see the New Homes Bonus being sent. The New Homes Bonus does not affect s106 money which is ring fenced for leisure.

The Capital budget has facilitated development in Aylesbury. Some development in Buckingham is impeded by legal issues surrounding the land behind the old 'Woolworths'. The Parish Council noted that there was a perception among residents that a great deal of development occurs in Aylesbury as opposed to Buckingham citing Buckingham's poor parking provisions as an example. It is hoped that the consultation regarding the allocation of the New Homes Bonus will address this.

It was confirmed that there are no current proposals to increase parking in Buckingham however it was felt that the recent reduction in costs and more designation of short term spaces would assist.

Buckingham Garden Centre has reached an agreement for a new entrance.

The problem of a lack of adequate bus services in the village was raised. A transport review is currently being undertaken, however the viability of some of the rural bus routes is a problem

*Open Forum:*

*It was noted that the problems caused by inconsiderate drivers is in part due to the lengthy line of parked cars forcing drivers onto the other side of the road.*

## **25 Planning**

10/02470/APP-TINGEWICK-Tingewick Mill Farm, Mill Lane, Tingewick – No Objections

10/02472/ALB-TINGEWICK-Tingewick Mill Farm, Mill Lane, Tingewick – No Objections

10/02481/APP-TINGEWICK-Tingewick Mill Farm, Mill Lane, Tingewick – No Objections

10/02482/ALB-TINGEWICK-Tingewick Mill Farm, Mill Lane, Tingewick – No Objections

## **26 Accounts**

See Appendix for details of transactions and budget report.

Transaction Report: Proposed: Cllr Fenemore Seconded: Cllr Hornsey- Agreed

Transactions approved.

Budget Report: Proposed: Cllr Thurlby Seconded: Cllr Roy - Agreed

Budget Report approved.

## **27 Councillors' Reports and Items for Future Agenda**

### **Street Lighting**

All damaged lights have been reported.

### **Footpaths**

There will be a footpath walk on the 21<sup>st</sup> April 2012. Refreshments to be provided as usual,

details to be advised.

### **Cemetery and Grass cutting**

Cllr Hornsey and Mr Styles to meet to ascertain condition of the perimeter hedge.

**Action: Cllr Hornsey**

### **Recreation Ground**

The fence was re-erected but is now down again. The weather is party to blame and extra posts would help but there has also been some vandalism with posts being stolen. The fence will be re-erected and there will be a field inspection at the end of January to see if it is necessary to retain the fence.

**Action: Chairman and Cllr Fenemore**

The grass cutting of the field will be put out to tender. **Action: Chairman and Cllr Fenemore**

### **Playgrounds and Pond**

It was confirmed that the school has actioned the subsidence in the playground with BCC.

### **Special Projects**

Play Around Parishes will take place this year but is no longer free. It was noted that the scheme was well used by the children last year. It was therefore proposed that the Parish Council arrange for Play Around the Parishes to visit Tingewick during the school summer holiday with five staff and equipment at a cost of £60.00.

Proposed: Cllr Swinburne    Seconded: Cllr Fenemore    Agreed

### **Roads, Footways and Street Furniture**

It was proposed that a new litter bin at a cost of £48.83 be purchased to replace the missing one by the bus shelter.

Proposed: Cllr Thurlby    Seconded: Cllr Swinburne    Agreed

**Action: Clerk**

Cllr Maxwell provided a review of the road problems reported along with a comprehensive asset schedule.

One of the street lights is obscured by a fir tree.

**Action: Cllr Maxwell**

It will be reported to AVDC that the bin by the Post Office is not returned to its correct location after emptying.

**Action: Cllr Maxwell**

The salt bins are in order and ready for the predicted adverse weather.

AVDC have reported that the village litter bins contain an unacceptable amount of bagged dog waste and have suggested purchasing two dog waste bins. It was noted that the cost of two dog waste bins and the weekly emptying fee is substantial. It was agreed that the situation will be monitored.

### **Planning**

Cllr Roy will review TfB's public consultation of the Travel Bucks strategy and report to the next meeting.

**Action: Cllr Roy**

## **28 Correspondence**

2012/02/01-Resident-Unoccupied property – Information to be sought from the Housing Trust as to why a number of properties are being left vacant in light of current housing shortage.

**Action: Clerk**

2012/02/02-TfB-Speed tube data –The data has been received and it was confirmed that the average speed is in excess of 37 mph thus the site is eligible for a VAS. An application

for funding for a VAS has been made the BLAF.

2012/02/03-Resident- Development at Barton Road – DDA. Highways will be requested to inspect the site given that representations have been received that the footway is neither accessible nor safe. **Action: Clerk**

2012/02/04-John Bercow-Sustainable Communities Act – Response received that the matter is being taken forward.

2012/02/05-Heritage-Application for a Memorial Permit – Refused as the cemetery rules require the memorial tablet to be flat.

## **29 Diamond Jubilee Planning**

Preparations are well underway. Events planned include a fancy dress procession to an extended fete. Fundraising activities are being undertaken. The Jubilee Committee suggested that a commemorative mug be provided to each child.

It was proposed that the Parish Council fund a commemorative mug for each child aged 11 and under in the Parish. A supply would also be available for sale for older children and adults. Proposed: Chairman Seconded: Cllr Swinburne Agreed **Action: Chairman**

A Fete group has been established to set up fete. The fete account has very little cash in hand due to a poor previous year. It was proposed that the Parish Council transfer £1,000 in the Events account to assist with initial setting up costs. The amount to be transferred back after the fete.

Proposed: Cllr Hornsey Seconded: Cllr Roy Agreed.

## **30 Cemetery Chapel**

Four requests for tender have been issued, two have received and two are outstanding.

## **31 Tingewick Community Consultation Working Group**

The Working Groups response was issued to AVDC after their meeting with the Parish Council on 19<sup>th</sup> January 2012 as a provisional response.

The results of the survey were published in the Tingewick News and a copy has been posted onto the website.

It was proposed that the report of the Tingewick Community Consultation Working Group be accepted.

Proposed: Cllr Roy Seconded: Cllr Swinburne Agreed

It was also proposed that the Parish Council would respond to the parallel housing and employment consultation as follows;

‘In view of the lack of detail on how housing might be distributed in the large area of Northern Aylesbury Vale, Tingewick Parish Council has no comments at this stage on overall housing or employment totals for the district. However, it wishes to point out that responses to our own village survey showed that there is a desire to see more employment opportunities in Buckingham, which is also seen by some as a suitable location for sheltered housing.’

Proposed: Cllr Roy Seconded: Cllr Swinburne Agreed

The Parish Council extended its thanks to the Working Group for the enormous amount of work carried out.

## **32 Recreation Ground Development**

The Parish Council would wish to progress to the next phase of development of the Recreation Field. The Parish Council will meet on the 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2012 at 7.30 pm to discuss the parameters of the development, cost, structure and establishing a working

group.

Cllr Roy will attend Bucks Community Action Funding Fair.

**Action: Cllr Roy**

**33 Affordable Housing**

The contractors will be asked to make good any damage to roads and grass verges before the conclusion of their contract.

**Action: Chairman**

**34 Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting will take place on the 1<sup>st</sup> March 2012 8.00pm at the Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 10.10pm