

## TINGEWICK PARISH COUNCIL

### DRAFT MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 7<sup>th</sup> JULY 2011

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

IN ATTENDANCE: 1 member of the public

**120 Apologies**

None

**121 Declarations of Interest**

None

**122 To approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> June 2011**

Proposed: Cllr Swinburne Seconded: Cllr Collins - Approved.

It was noted that Cllr Fealey was present at the meeting of the 16<sup>th</sup> June 2011 and will be added to the minutes.

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

Open Forum 03.03.11 - A response has still not been received from BCC regarding the possibility of a warning sign. This will be followed up. Cllr Fealy will assist. **Action: Clerk**

Item 56 – Parish Council Logo Competition – Further attempts to contact the other shortlisted candidate have been unsuccessful. It was agreed that as no suitable entries were received it will not be possible to award the prize.

Item 72 - A response has still not been received from BCC regarding speeding at Buckingham Street. This will be escalated to complaint level. **Action: Clerk**

Item 94 – Footpaths – Signs are being obtained to advise against cycling. **Action: Clerk**

Item 97 – It is not possible to place a weight in the bin by the village shop to prevent its movement as it is locked. A replacement key will be obtained. **Action: Clerk**

Item 112 – A meeting is being arranged with the Village Hall Committee. Mr Whitton will liaise with the Clerk.

**124 County Councillor's Report**

Report received from Cllr Cadd.

There has been a restructuring in the Cabinet.

A further £3 million has been reserved for the Highways budget making a total of approximately 25 million which is badly needed and improvements should be seen.

Cllr Cadd has been asked to nominate five areas most in need of improvement. The road between Tingewick and Water Stratford will be put forward, along with others in the

Buckingham area. .

The speed limit review is coming to fruition.

Cllr Cadd will arrange for details of the new cabinet to be sent to the Clerk.

Cllr Cadd is a member of the Health Committee of the County Council.

It was questioned whether the Speed Limit Review had been deferred to 2012. Cllr Cadd will provide an update at the September meeting.

## **125 District Councillor's Report**

Report received from Cllr Fealey.

The Waste Transformation project has been considered by the Scrutiny Committee. A four day collection regime is being canvassed. Food waste will continue to be collected once a week. The aim is to increase recycling. This is still under consultation.

The Swan Pool car park is not a public car park and is being misused, hence a proposal to implement a parking regime is being considered.

Cllr Fealey attended the Buckingham Local Area Forum. Issues considered were Clerks PAYE, Special Schools, Highway Funding, the Fire Service Consultation, HS2 campaign, Aylesbury Vale Plan, Thames Valley Police. The Local Area Priorities have been set and applications to the BLAF delegated budget were discussed.

Concerns were raised at the possible raising of speed limits in certain areas.

It was queried how limiting refuse collections to four days would improve efficiency. It was explained that this was due to the collectors contracted hours and revised schedules.

### *Open Forum:*

*A resident asked if any action could be taken regarding the increasingly dilapidated appearance of The Old White Hart. It was stated that under certain circumstances the District Council may be able to intervene. In response to further questions: the Parish Council would not form a view upon possible development of the plot without specific proposals but would comment should any proposals be received (to date no proposals have been received); as far as the Parish Council is aware there are no planning issues which impede its sale; it was noted The Parish Council has not in the past objected to infill development in other areas in the village that has been appropriate to the specific site.*

*Power Line Clearance Approval - The Parish Council has been approached to confirm whether they own various trees in order that they can be cut back as part of their annual maintenance. It was confirmed that the Parish Council do not own the trees in question.*

## **126 Planning**

11/01339/APP-12 Gorrell Close, Tingewick-No Objections

11/01337/APP-1 Stockleys Lane, Tingewick-No Objections but the Parish Council would like the removal of the tree to be considered.

## **127 Accounts**

See Appendix for details of transactions and budget report.

Transaction Report: Proposed: Cllr Collins    Seconded: Cllr Swinburne

Transactions approved.

Budget Report: Proposed: Cllr Fenemore    Seconded: Cllr Collins

Budget Report approved.

## 128 Councillors' Reports and Items for Future Agenda

### Street Lighting and Street Furniture

The street lighting proposals for the Barton Road development will be confirmed in writing.

**Action: Clerk**

### Footpaths

Nothing to report.

### Cemetery and Grass cutting

A request has been received to place a blue granite headstone at the cemetery – No objections

A quote has been obtained to repaint the Chapel doors and fascia using the existing colour scheme. The quote was accepted.

**Action: Cllr Collins**

There are concerns as to the structural condition of the Chapel. It was proposed that the previous surveyor who assessed the Chapel a few years ago will be asked to re examine the building and the results to be made available at the September meeting.

**Action: Clerk**

The tap will be repaired.

**Action: Cllr Collins**

The Yew trees require maintenance. Mr Styles will be instructed.

**Action: Cllr Collins**

The Garden of Remembrance requires attention, the roses trimming and the lavender replacing. Mr Styles will be instructed.

**Action: Cllr Collins**

### Recreation Ground

The leaks have been repaired.

### Playgrounds and Pond

Nothing to report.

### Special Projects

The result of the Best Kept Village is awaited.

### Roads, Footways and Street Furniture

Pot holes at Buckingham Street and Upper Street have been reported.

There is tarmac inside the drains at Sandpit Hill after the resurfacing of the road. This has been reported.

Two residents have reported slipping in Gorrell Lane. It has been inspected and it requires clearing.

**Action: Cllr Horsney**

Trees in Wood Lane have been reported as being possibly dangerous. It was noted that the Parish Council have made extensive enquires as to ownership. The ownership remains unknown and the Parish Council cannot assume responsibility. The County Council can take action if the trees are dangerous.

A number of kerb stones are to be refixed.

## 129 Correspondence

2011/07/02-Bucks CAB-Request for Donation –Proposal that a donation of £50.00 be made. Proposed Cllr Hornsey Seconded Cllr Swinburne. Agreed

**Action: Clerk**

2011/07/21- Leiston-cum-Sizewell Town Council - Planning Application Process – The proposal was considered and it was agreed that the Parish Council supported the following two points:

*That major developers when submitting planning applications:*

*(i) Attend the relevant Parish Council's meeting to answer questions about their planning application*

*(ii) Provided resources (if requested) to enable Parish Councils to assess their applications based on a professional critique of their evidence*

2001/07/22-Buckingham United - Request for use of Football Pitch at Recreation Ground - The request was welcomed but, regretfully, the pitch will not be available at all for the following season.

**130 Pond Safety Report**

Pond Safety Report received. It was noted that no control measures need to be implemented.

**131 Cemetery Chapel**

As above at Item 128 – Cemetery.

**132 Localism Working Group**

The Tingewick Community Consultation Working Group – Tingewick Towards 2030 – has been established and has already met.

A display will be prepared for the Village Fete to introduce the concept of Localism to the village with a facility for feedback.

The next meeting will take place on the 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2011.

There will be feedback to the Parish Council.

**133 Fete and Beer Festival**

A Health and Safety assessment has been carried out and risks where identified have been minimised.

The Parish Council is very grateful for the loan of the field from Tom and Reg Barrett.

**134 Recreation Ground Development**

As above at Item 128

The container is to be removed together with some obsolete equipment which will be disposed of. Enquiries are to be made regarding sale or scrap value. The pitch marking equipment has been retained.

**135 Affordable Housing**

The name 'Tithe Meadow' has been approved. The relevant notices have been erected.

**136 Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting will take place on the 1<sup>st</sup> September 2011 at 8.00pm at the Village Hall in Tingewick.

The meeting closed at 9.55pm