

## **TINGEWICK PARISH COUNCIL**

### DRAFT MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 5th SEPTEMBER 2013

PRESENT: Cllr Smith  
Cllr Fenemore  
Cllr Swinburne  
Cllr Thurlby  
Cllr Maxwell  
Cllr Roy  
Cllr Hornsey  
Cllr Fealey (District Councillor)  
Dawn Rogers (Parish Clerk)

IN ATTENDANCE: 10 members of the public

#### **49. Apologies**

None

#### **50. Declarations of Interest**

Cllr Swinburne - Item 55 Planning 13/01756/APP- Holy Oak Cottage  
Cllr Roy - Item 62 Website

#### **51. To approve minutes of the meeting held on the 4th July 2013**

Proposed: Cllr Swinburne. Seconded: Cllr Hornsey. Approved.

#### **52. Matters arising for information and reports only**

Item 23 - The defibrillator demonstration will take place at 8.00pm on the 3rd October 2013.

Open Forum 06.06.13 -Stowe View - a revised application received and is on the Agenda.

Item 28 -The old goal posts have been removed from the Recreation Ground.

Item 29 - Correspondence - The Village Walk Around with the Local Area Technician has taken place and will be discussed as part of the agenda.

Item 29 - Correspondence -The Chairman has met with BCC to discuss possible locations. This will be discussed as part of the agenda.

Item 43 - The Environmental Officer visited the location and advised that there is no breach as the straw is 10 metres away from the watercourse and there is very little run off.

Item 44 - Feedback is awaited from other parishes regarding World War One Commemorations.

**Action: Clerk**

#### **53. County Councillor's Report**

No report received.

#### **54. District Councillor's Report**

The Leader of the Council is stepping down. A new leader will be identified.

The Vale of Aylesbury Plan is being considered with particular attention to wind farms.

The Local Development Order has been passed. This permits certain developments without planning permission although planning regulations still apply. There is a requirement for neighbours to be consulted.

Grass cutting remains an issue which is being prioritised.

#### ***Open Forum***

#### **MVAS Location**

Clarification was provided as to the process to date. A site visit has taken place and three defined, fixed locations agreed as one at each entrance to the village. A ground screw will be placed at each location and the MVAS can also be fixed to existing street furniture. A resident sought clarification as to the consultation process and formally expressed a registration of interest. It was said that other residents of Sandpit Hill have also expressed a view and would wish to be consulted. It was confirmed that consultation will take place at each site. Advice is awaited regarding the precise process of consultation.

It was asked what effect it would have on vehicle drivers travelling out of village at Sandpit Hill that they were travelling in excess of 30mph given that there is a derestriction sign shortly thereafter. It was noted that the MVAS picks up excess speed at 100 metres away which is not far from the mini roundabout and will provide a warning. Speeding up the hill has been the subject of residents' complaints. More importantly, when used in its primary role, facing up the hill, it will directly affect traffic entering the village, the principal area of complaints.

The signs can face in either direction and will be principally used for traffic entering the village. They may be turned if there is a need. Software has been budgeted for to collect data on speeds.

A comment was made that the Parish Council needs to do more than discuss matters in meetings and report in minutes.

The Parish Council will (and does) discuss and feedback where necessary. The Parish Council does not produce reports but minutes, and it goes further than most Parish Councils in publishing the minutes in the village magazine, on its website and on the village noticeboard. There is also no restriction on residents attending each Parish Council Meeting and contributing their views and opinions during the Open Forum session.

### Stowe View

A revised application has been submitted. The report of the Planning Officer is available and it will be heard at the Development Control Committee meeting 12th September. Cllr Fealey updated the meeting as to the process. Cllr Fealey has met with residents and the applicants. He will be attending the Development Control Meeting on the 12<sup>th</sup> September and will speak on behalf of residents and express their concerns regarding parking and the effect on the street scene.. He intends to ask his colleagues to make a site visit before coming to a decision. Residents are welcome to attend and address the meeting. Residents must notify the council that they wish to attend by Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September and they will be allocated time to speak.

Concern was raised that people who own their own home are at a disadvantage as they are required to fund their own dropped kerb. Cllr Fealey has discussed this with the housing trust who has indicated that homeowners will be offered a preferable rate with a contractor.

Further concern was raised regarding visibility at the junction of Stowe View and Water Stratford Road. It was confirmed that the Parish Council did write to the resident to ask him to cut his hedge and the hedge was cut. This will be followed up.

There are other areas in the village where hedges are overgrown and encroaching on signs. It was confirmed that this will be dealt with.

### **55. Planning**

13/01746/APP-TINGEWICK-Holyoak Cottage, Upper Street, Tingewick (Two storey rear extension and creation of new access) No objections

13/01758/ALB-TINGEWICK-Wayside, Main Street, Tingewick (Single, and two storey side and rear extension, insertion of roof lights and dormer to rear and internal alterations) No objections

13/01756/APP-TINGEWICK-Wayside, Main Street, Tingewick (Change of use to residential, single and two storey side and rear extension) - No objections

13/01758/ALB-TINGEWICK-Main Street, Tingewick (single and two storey side and rear extensions, insertion of roof lights and dormer to rear and internal alterations) - No objections

13/00724/APP-TINGEWICK-21-22 Stowe View, Tingewick (Erection of 2 dwellings, demolition of 11 garages and provision of additional parking bays along Stowe View) - It was noted that the fascia of the buildings has been changed but it is not reflected in the material specification on the

plans. The Case Officer has been advised of the error and that red stock brick should be lighter stock brick. It is accepted that parking is not perfect but there is a net gain in parking available. It was noted that the development needs to be balanced against the need for housing. It was suggested the housing trust should confirm the reduced rate that will be offered to the private residents for dropped kerbs.

The Parish Council has no objection to the revised application subject to it being confirmed that the red stock brick be replaced with lighter stock brick.

As the Parish Council does not object to the revised plans the Parish Council will not be required to attend the Development Control Meeting.

## **56. Accounts**

See Appendix for details of transactions and budget report.

Transaction Report:

Proposed: Cllr. Roy    Seconded: Cllr Fenemore    Agreed

Transactions approved.

Budget Report:

Proposed: Cllr. Swinburne    Seconded: Cllr Maxwell    Agreed

Budget Report approved.

## **57. Councillors Reposts and Items for Future Agenda**

### **Street Lights**

A light has been reported today which will be actioned.

### **Footpaths**

Wood Lane footpath has been cut back.

The Footpath Walk will take place in October. A date will be identified and an advertisement placed in the Tingewick News.

### **Cemetery and Grass Cutting**

There are issues with the grass cutting that BCC has responsibility for. Cllr Fealey is dealing with this.

A quote to remove the hardcore left by contractors in the cemetery has been received in the sum of £35.00. It was proposed that this be accepted.

Proposed: Cllr Smith.    Seconded: Cllr Hornsey.    Agreed

### **Playgrounds and Ponds**

There are problems with the wet pour in the school playground.

Consideration will be given as to the best way to carry out a lasting repair.

**Action: Cllr Hornsey**

### **Special Projects**

The results of the Best Kept Village were received. Tingewick was awarded 70 marks out of 100.

### **Roads and Footways**

A written report was received. It was noted that there is a rolling replacement of bollards. There are lighting issues which are being followed up.

Actions were noted from the Village Walkabout. These matters have been logged by TfB for action.

**Planning** The Vale of Aylesbury Plan strategy has been submitted to the Secretary State for consideration. It is envisaged that a response should be received by December 2013.

AVDC drafted its Development Management Policy for consultation. A summary will be prepared and discussed at the next meeting.

**Action: Cllr Roy**

There will be a display in respect of the Buckingham Development Plan which Cllr Roy will attend and report back to the Parish Council.

## **58. Correspondence**

2013/09/01 – Heritage - Application for a memorial permit - Approved  
2013/09/02 – Resident - Development at Stowe View - Received  
2013/09/03 – Resident - Application for a memorial permit-it was noted that the policy does not provide for a memorial tablet to be placed on a grave. It is usual in cases such as this that a second inscription be added on the memorial tablet.  
2013/09/04 – Resident - Maintenance of cemetery side gate -This has been repaired.

#### **59. MVAS**

Guidance is awaited from TfB as to the nature of consultation.  
Parish Councillors may volunteer to move the MVAS between locations if they wish.

#### **60. Annual Fete and Beer Festival**

The weather was very good and as such there was a good turnout. The fete was profitable and made approximately £1,100. This will be retained to build a reserve to cover the cost of a future poor fete due to poor weather. At a time when there is sufficient reserve in the fete account consideration may be given to donating to charitable causes.  
It was commented that it was a lost opportunity to hold an evening event which could have raised funds for the recreation ground redevelopment.

#### **61. Vandalism at the Recreation Field**

A report was made to the police as a result of broken glass in the goal posts.  
The police have responded that they are now aware of the issue and will increase patrols in the area. This will also be raised at the next NAG meeting. **Action: Cllr Maxwell**

#### **62. Website Update**

The Historical Society has asked for a page on the Parish Council website.  
This was agreed.

#### **63. Recreation Ground Development**

There was a display at the fete of the proposed developments. Feedback was received and was very positive. Concern was raised at the word 'bar' being noted on the draft proposals. It was confirmed that the word 'bar' is merely generic and is intended to refer to a general social area for club use, if there is in due course a second storey to the pavilion. It is not intended to provide any facilities that would be used in competition to any other village facility  
Tingewick News has raised issues and a response will be issued.  
A professional bid writer is to be engaged to assist with obtaining grant funding. Two professional bid writers have been approached.  
New members with specific expertise that will assist the project are being sought to widen the committee.

#### **64. Affordable Housing**

This has now been concluded

#### **65. Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting is to take place on the 3rd October 2013 at 8.00pm in the Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 10.00pm