

TINGEWICK PARISH COUNCIL
DRAFT MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
Thursday 5th April 2018 at 7.30pm.

Members of public in attendance: 0

209 Apologies: County Cllr Charlie Clare, Cllr Sara Churchfield

210 Declarations of Interest: None.

211 Minutes: To consider the approval of the minutes of the last meeting held on 01-03-2018.

Proposed: Cllr Swinburne

Seconded: Cllr Hornsey

Approved

OPEN FORUM

Two visitors AVDC;

Hazrat Hussain, Parish Liaison Officer, explained that his role is to act like an account manager within AVDC as previously, correspondence from parishes would go directly to senior managers. This new role was created in September 2017 to help parishes have a voice in AVDC regulatory services; planning, environmental health, building control, council tax, rates etc. There is a wide variety of issues that the Planning Liaison Officer can help with. Preferred method of contact is email. There are newly created, better links on the AVDC website and a contact form which PDF's can now be attached to. Hazrat is currently the only Parish Liaison Officer but there are two account managers working with him who have Parish experience.

There is now an option for a Pre-App to a Planning Application, which helps residents work out what they want to achieve and what type of things will be needed in the Planning Application. The Pre-App is validated by the Planning Support Team before it goes to a Site Manager. The Pre-App helps by giving advice, so when the time comes to submit the Planning Application, it should go smoothly. There is a fee for the Pre-App but by using this service, you receive a 50% discount on the full application fee.

Adam Hudeth, Business Development Manager, explained that he is very new to the role. Working with the Customer Fulfilment Team on the commercial side of what AVDC do, Adam is looking at streamlining existing services to see if they can make more money, if they can be more effective or efficient and if any services can be offered out further to other councils. Adams role is also to see how AVDC compare to the private sector for similar services. Adam is currently exploring the councils skip service and looking at ways to develop waste services with the hope that AVDC can offer another service to residents and businesses. More "out there" options include a Drone Pilot recently being employed by the council with the plan to use the drone for building and site surveys instead of using costly helicopter services; the drone service could also be rented out to other local authorities.

The Chair of the Historical Society advised that the Society's current project is researching the men and women who returned from WWI and they are hoping to have an exhibition of their findings in November 2018 along with a booklet. The last time the Historical Society undertook a project like this, the Parish Council loaned them approximately £250 to help with the costs incurred while researching along with a £150 donation for the printing of the booklet and it is hoped that the Parish Council may do this again.

Item to go on the Agenda for discussion at the next Parish Council Meeting.

212 County Councillor's Report: Apologies received.

213 District Councillor's Report: Cllr Fealey advised;

There has been additional training for councillors, regarding declaring interests on agenda items. There has been quite a lot of work going on relating to the expressway link between Bedford to Oxford; there were presentations about it previously and now it is starting to go into consultation however there is currently no timeline on when the route will be chosen.

HS2 road closures, 9th April 2018, the road will be closed overnight in Westbury.

The government is now consulting on planning again, looking at improving delivery of services; some applications that have been agreed are still sitting with companies "land banking" by not progressing the development, councils want to reduce the three-year time frame for starting work on agreed applications.

An AVDC wheely bin (rubbish bin) has been found on an island in Chile.

214 Matters Arising:

- *Open Forum – February 2018: Landscape Designation for VALP*

Clerk to contact Water Stratford and Radclive PC's to gauge their views on a review of the landscape designation. Clerk has contacted both but had no response yet.

No update as yet but Cllr Jenkinson advised that the PC's comments on the VALP have been accepted and submitted to the inspector.

- *Item 202b – March 2018: Tingewick & District News – PC Minutes*

Cllr Lightfoot and Clerk to meet with new Editor to discuss changes and possible support for any associated costs.

No update as unable to arrange meeting. The Editor will be invited to the Annual Parish Meeting where it can be discussed.

215 Planning;

18/00988/APP – TINGEWICK, Manor Farm Bungalow Church Lane

Variation of condition 2 of planning permission 18/00186/APP to allow no more than 20 children to use the site in connection with the use of the building as a Day Nursery at any one time.

VARIATION NOTED AND NO OBJECTION.

216 Accounts

It was proposed that the Transaction Report be accepted.

Proposed: Cllr Jenkinson Second: Cllr Swinburne Approved

It was proposed that the Budget Report be accepted

Proposed: Cllr Maxwell Second: Cllr Hornsey Approved

217 Councillors' Reports and Items for Future Agenda

- Lighting: Cllr Lightfoot – nothing to report

- Footpaths and Pond: Cllr Churchfield

Cllr Churchfield sent an update to the clerk prior to the meeting;

Nothing much to report on footpaths. Still no action from BCC on problems with stiles/signpost that have been reported to them.

Pond: water level very high but I have been checking regularly and cleared the overflow grill yesterday. Tuesday morning (3 Apr) there was a gang of council workers opening man-hole covers and rodding the drains along Main Street, including those at base of Strangers Lane by the Pond.

- Cemetery, Grass Cutting and Special Projects: Cllr Swinburne - nothing to report
- Playgrounds, Footways and Street Furniture: Cllr Hornsey – nothing to report
- Recreation Ground: Cllr Fenemore

There was a leak in the changing rooms but this has been fixed.

- Planning: Cllr Jenkinson

Applications decided on since the last meeting;

Land At Wood Lane Cottage Upper Street, eco-dwelling – refused

Land To The Rear Of Hill Farm Upper Street erection of one dwelling – refused
The Wing Little Tingewick House Sandpit Hill, Conversion of garage to annex – approved
4 New Street, fell and grind 3 conifer trees – approved
Manor Farm Bungalow Church Lane, variation of Condition 3 – approved.
Halez Cross Lane, landscaping – approved.
Roundwood Primary School – approved.

- Village Hall Wi-Fi and Roads: Cllr Maxwell

Wifi turning to Village Hall Management Committee responsibility, Cllr Maxwell to remain as liaison officer

Roads; in touch with Dave at TfB; Upper Street drain pothole was filled, however complaints have been received. Cllr Maxwell checked and the Grill is an inch proud of the road so puddles still form at the edges of the tarmac and there is a hill up to Grill. Dave reported that this will be repaired in the summer.

A421; repairs/patches need more repairs, Dave advised that the road is inspected monthly and repairs may be done again following these inspections.

218 Correspondence

None.

219 Date of next meeting:

To confirm the date of the Annual Parish Meeting scheduled for Thursday 26th April 2018 at 7.30pm

To confirm the date of the Annual Parish Council Meeting scheduled for Thursday 3rd May 2018 at 7.30pm

Meeting closed: 21:50

Signed..... Dated.....