

TINGEWICK PARISH COUNCIL

DRAFT MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON Thursday 1st February 2018 at 7.30pm.

PRESENT: Cllr Trisha Lightfoot, Chairperson
Cllr Martin Hornsey
Cllr Richard Fenemore
Cllr Pat Swinburne
Cllr Ed Maxwell
Cllr Sarah Churchfield
Cllr Andrew Jenkinson
County Cllr Charlie Clare
Samantha Chandler, Clerk

IN ATTENDANCE: 2 Members of the public.

182 Apologies

District Cllr Patrick Fealey

183 Declarations of Interest;

- a) Register of Interests: Councillors are reminded of the need to update their register of interest.
- b) To declare any Personal Interests in items on the agenda and their nature. None.
- c) To declare any Prejudicial Interests in items on the agenda and their nature. None.

184 Minutes: To consider the approval of the minutes of the last meeting of the Parish Council, held on Thursday 4th January 2018.

Proposed: Cllr Swinburne Seconded: Cllr Fenemore Approved

OPEN FORUM

Mr Moody expressed difficulty in following the PC Minutes from previous meetings, in particular the December 2017 meeting and queried if a written response from the PC was submitted to AVDC as part of the VALP consultation opportunity?

Clerk confirmed that the comments in the minutes pertaining to the VALP were the comments submitted to AVDC.

Cllr Jenkinson confirmed receiving a response from AVDC to acknowledge the PC comments were received.

Mr Moody advised that a second response should be received to confirm that the comments / wording have been added to the revised edition of the VALP.

Mr Moody acknowledged that the VALP is a big document and suggested that it may have been useful to the PC to ask others to share the load and contribute to the response.

Mr Moody expressed disagreement with the comments by Cllr Jenkinson and stated that "Tingewick is actually referred to in the VALP draft on four occasions by name, as well as in the documents used as the evidence for the plan." He stressed the importance of the designation that Tingewick receives as it is critical to how the village is perceived.

Clerk to amend December minutes to clearly show the comments listed were sent to AVDC.

Mr Moody stated that Cllr Churchfield raised a number of questions in her notes about the VALP, which may have been considered by the PC but were not referenced in the minutes.

Mr Moody believes that with better clarification it may still be possible to influence the final version of VALP, for example by inviting the PC's in Radclive and Water Stratford to request a review of the landscape designation since they are also affected by this.

Mr Moody added that it was quite clear from the Gladman appeal that the wording of articular documents is taken very seriously and despite the limited lifespan for the VALP, if the contents of this document are known, more informed consultation can be made on the next document.

Mr Clucas enquired if there were any updates to when the pinch-point is being moved?

Cllr Maxwell advised that it is the responsibility of Bovis to move it, their sub-contractor will need to work with BCC and Western Power.

Clerk to contact Water Stratford and Radclive PC's to gauge their views on a review of the landscape designation

Cllr Maxwell to follow up with Bovis for more information.

185 County Councillor's Report:

Cllr Clare advised that he is aware that the December weather has ravaged the and he urges people to report the potholes to Transport for Bucks as it makes it easier to follow up. The A422 is scheduled to be resurfaced in the summer as this needs to take place in fairer weather for the road to bond, however in the interim any dangerous potholes will be made safe.

A section of the A421 was closed recently so patching could be done along the centre line and the team filled a few other potholes at the same time, however there are still potholes remaining as TfB are only doing the worst potholes at the moment. Cllr Clare advised that he is unsure why the road closure signs are still up but that he will mention it to the TfB team for them to follow up.

Cllr Maxwell enquired as to who is responsible for filling the area with tarmac around the new grate installed in Upper Street. Cllr Clare stated that he is unsure but that he is in regular contact with the property owner. Cllr Maxwell advised that the grate is too high and the area surrounding it floods when there is rain, it could also cause a hazard to passing vehicles and that perhaps the grate will need to be redone. Cllr Clare stated that he will look into this. Cllr Maxwell offered to supply pictures of the grate.

Cllr Maxwell to take and send pictures to Cllr Clare of the grate.

Cllr Clare to investigate.

Cllr Clare advised that four years ago, BCC received a bad report from Ofsted for children's services, Ofsted have been back and unfortunately the report has not improved which is very disappointing; a new Head of children's services was recently hired but he feels this took too long and the work done in the three years preceding was not enough to change the Ofsted report.

Cllr Clare noted the frustration of the damage cause to the verge on Sandpit Hill during the snowy weather and is hoping to encourage a farmer to help fix it in the summer.

186 District Councillor's Report:

Apologies received.

187 Matters Arising:

- *Open Forum – July 2017: 20mph zone still ongoing with Cllr Fealey.*

Cllr Lightfoot advised that she and Cllr Maxwell will be attending the Local Area Forum meeting scheduled for 8th February 2018.

- *160 Correspondence – December 2017*
Carol Thurlby memorial – TVHMC

It was decided that as there has been no contact from either the Tingewick Village Hall Management Committee or the Thurlby family, that no further action will be taken at this time and the item will be removed from the agenda until further notice.

- *161 S106 Second Tranche – December 2017*

Clerk advised that an application has been received from the Tingewick Village Hall Management Committee and circulated to Cllr's to be discussed at the March PC Meeting.

- *164 Defibrillator Posters – December 2017*

Cllr Lightfoot advised that another training session has been scheduled for Wednesday 31st January 2018 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall and an instruction poster has been created including the Parish Council logo. This poster will be included in the Tingewick & District News and Cllr Lightfoot will obtain a quote for printing copies to be distributed to all households. - Ongoing.

Cllr Lightfoot advised that this was completed and the printed copies included in the latest edition of Tingewick and District News as a "pull-out" for the local residents.

- *Item 172 – January 2018*

Cllr Hornsey had requested Cllr Clare be asked why the bypass was closed for two days after the flooding – this will be carried over to the February meeting.

Cllr Clare stated that he does not know why but that he will ask and find out. Cllr Churchfield added that after the bypass was reopened, the diversion noticed remained up for a further two or three days, so cars continued to come through Tingewick.

Cllr Clare to find out why the bypass was closed for two days after the flood waters were cleared.

188 Planning; To consider the following planning applications received;
17/04673/APP – TINGEWICK, The Wing Little Tingewick House Sandpit Hill
Conversion of garage to granny annex.

NO
OBJECTION

17/04823/APP – TINGEWICK, Land North Of Preston Road

Change of use of land and provision for temporary accommodation and wood carving business (retrospective)

"The Parish Council met on the 1st February and discussed this application. At present we feel that there is an inadequate amount of information to fully comment on this application. We would appreciate more information including a design and access statement, ecology and a transport assessment. In principle the parish council would support the continued economic development of this land but based on the current information there is little justification for the need for three lorry bodies providing living accommodation in open countryside."

Cllr Jenkinson to draft a response and circulate to all Cllr's for approval before submission.

18/00186/APP – TINGEWICK, Manor Farm Bungalow Church Lane

Variation of Condition 3 of planning permission 05/03147/APP to allow no more than 20 children to use the site in any one day.

- Cllr Fenemore declared an interest in this item.

NO
OBJECTION

Cllr Swinburne thanked Cllr Churchfield for speaking on Tingewick's behalf at the Gladman appeal.

189 Accounts

See appendix for details of transactions and budget report.

It was proposed that the Transaction Report be accepted.

Proposed: Cllr Hornsey Second: Cllr Maxwell Approved

It was proposed that the Budget Report be accepted

Proposed: Cllr Maxwell Second: Cllr Swinburne Approved

190 Councillors' Reports and Items for Future Agenda

For each Councillor to report matters of information not included elsewhere on the agenda, to agree urgent actions and to raise items for future agendas

- Lighting: Cllr Lightfoot

Cllr Lightfoot advised that there was one light gone at the bottom of Stockley's Lane, near the Sunday school, which has been repaired, so all else is in order.

- Footpaths and Pond: Cllr Churchfield

Cllr Churchfield advised that she was anxious about the heavy rain recently so went to check the pond and is happy to report that the pond is all fine and the grill clear, with the water level not as high as expected.

Issues with overhanging vegetation in Gorrell Lane, which Mr Styles will be asked to clear.

Cllr Churchfield to request Mr Styles clear vegetation at top end of Gorrell Lane.

A complaint was received about a tree leaning on a fence along Gorrell Lane, Cllr Churchfield investigated but as the tree is nowhere near the footpath there it is not the responsibility of the PC to remove it, the resident offered to get it down himself.

Cllr Churchfield has checked the "herbage" sticking out over the bridle path but feels there is nothing to worry about until conditions are dryer as it is not sticking out too much at the moment.

Cllr Churchfield advised that the issue with the notice on Back Lane is a BCC matter and that she will report it.

Cllr Churchfield to contact BCC about the notice on Back Lane and the stile at Tingewick Wood.

Cllr Churchfield has received several complaints about the stile at Tingewick Wood, because the wood is rotten it is hazardous and not safe to use. She has reported this online to BCC four times now but will follow up.

- Cemetery, Grass Cutting and Special Projects: Cllr Swinburne
Nothing new to report.
- Playgrounds, Footways and Street Furniture: Cllr Hornsey
Nothing new to report.
- Recreation Ground: Cllr Fenemore
Nothing new to report.
- Planning: Cllr Jenkinson

Since the last PC meeting; the annexe at “Glendale” was approved and “Halez” submitted details on landscaping, boundary walls and fencing.

- Village Hall Wi-Fi and Roads: Cllr Maxwell

Cllr Maxwell advised that the Wi-Fi costs are to be debated by the TVHMC on Monday.

Cllr Lightfoot stated that we will need to know the service start date so we know what date to hand over or cease the service.

Cllr Hornsey is to confirm the service start date.

191 Correspondence

1. Construction work at Roundwood Primary School – Tingewick site

The school contacted Clerk to advise of the construction work scheduled to take place, they also contacted Cllr Lightfoot to request permission to use the play area as a site accessway.

BCC contacted the PC to confirm that any damage caused will be repaired by them, though Cllr Hornsey is still cautious and asked if a period of coverage / indemnity can be agreed if any problems arise in future because of the building works.

Clerk to request the possibility of an extended period of coverage from builders.

192 Date of next meeting:

To confirm the date of the next meeting, scheduled for Thursday 1st March 2018 at 7.30pm.

Agreed.

Meeting closed: 9.30pm

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