

TINGEWICK PARISH COUNCIL
DRAFT MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
Thursday 3rd May 2018 at 7.30pm.

Members of public in attendance: 1

220 Election of Chairperson

It was proposed that Cllr Lightfoot be elected as Chairperson
Proposed: Cllr Swinburne Seconded: Cllr Churchfield Agreed

221 Election of Vice Chairperson

It was proposed that Cllr Hornsey be elected as Vice Chairperson
Proposed: Cllr Lightfoot Seconded: Cllr Jenkinson Agreed

222 Acceptance of Office

Cllr Lightfoot accepted office as Chairperson
Cllr Hornsey accepted office as Vice Chairperson

Cllr Churchfield withdrew from her position as Councillor; she stated that she is very happy to be co-opted to continue to look after the footpaths and report back to the PC if / when there are any issues, as she regularly walks the footpaths but due to other commitments she can no longer continue to devote as much time to the Parish Council.

Cllr Lightfoot stated on behalf of the rest of the PC that we are very sad to see her go and wish her all the best in her future activities.

223 Apologies:

County Cllr Charlie Clare and District Cllr Patrick Fealey.

224 Declarations of Interest:

Cllr Swinburne and Cllr Churchfield both declared an interest in The Historical Society item in Matters Arising from the Open Forum at the last meeting.

225 Minutes: To consider the approval of the minutes of the last meeting held on 05-04-2018. Cllr Swinburne raised and Cllr Churchfield clarified, that the amounts stated in relation to the loan and donation to the Historical Society were incorrect; the loan (which was repaid after one year) was £200 (not £250 as stated) and the donation was approximately £250 (not the £150 stated) as the Parish Council paid for printing the first run of the booklets.

Proposed: Cllr Maxwell Seconded: Cllr Hornsey Approved

OPEN FORUM

Martin White, Vice-Chair for Radclive cum Chackmore Parish Council (RCPC) attended to discuss the Landscape Designation of areas of the Ouse Valley.

Mr White explained that he is the councillor responsible for Planning matters.

RCPC are aware of the incursion of Buckingham, westward, which threatens to swallow Chackmore up as well as development from the other side of their parish.

RCPC have had a number of consults with AVDC since the proposed withdrawal of the Area of Attractive Landscape (AAL) designation in the initial VALP.

As part of that conversation RCPC have sought to get a view as to what criteria qualified the area as an AAL however AVDC could not provide any sort of checklist in terms of what the area had to have to be designated as partially protected.

The only useful piece of information they received was that "historic vistas" is included, which RCPC have with a view of the Buckingham Parish Church spire but they struggled to get any more detailed information from AVDC.

RCPC had an issue a few years ago with Hallam Land, who have done a deal with the New College of Oxford (who own most of the farm land around Radclive) with an outline plan of something like 1,000 houses right up to Radclive, but they managed to see part of that off. The Tingewick Road development of 400 homes will have an impact on RCPC and moves part of the town boundary, which they can not do much about as it is within the Buckingham boundary, so they are again dealing with that on a matter of landscape issues.

RCPC have had a number of conversations with BCC but are not getting anywhere.

The proposed unitary authority seems to have the Local Authority in paralysis and they are not interested in doing much at this time.

RCPC are eager to see what TPC is doing and to perhaps join forces to prevent future development incursions into our parishes.

Cllr Jenkinson commented that the method used for de-registering AAL's seems flawed due to a desktop update that preceded large areas being de-classified.

Mr White added that it could be argued that our area is nicer than some others further up the Ouse Valle.

Cllr Jenkinson proposed meeting with Mr White separately to discuss this further and to invite District Cllr Patrick Fealey to join the discussions as when we were preparing our argument against the Gladman development, he raised the AAL and agreed to make a recommendation to try and keep the AAL designation.

Mr White agreed and commented that County Cllr Charlie Clare is usually very willing to get involved and try to help.

Cllr Maxwell advised that he saw and spoke to three young litter pickers today, who worked their way from Finmere all the way to the Buckingham Garden Centre. He thanked them for their efforts.

Cllr Maxwell added that he is not sure if this was organised by our Parish Liaison Officer at AVDC or if it was already planned, but there was a lot of bags of litter collected.

There was discussion about the overgrown plant life in Tingewick and how this might impact the judging of the Best Kept Village Competition.

It was agreed that a "Tidy Tingewick" initiative will be started, to encourage residents to look after their own frontages, particularly those along Main Street, before the judging takes place.

An advertisement will go into the Tingewick & District News and be posted on the notice board and website.

226 County Councillor's Report: Apologies received.

227 District Councillor's Report: Apologies received.

228 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.

Martin White – Vice-Chair Radclive cum Chackmore Parish Council, attended and discussed this during the open forum; Cllr Jenkinson is to contact him directly for further discussion. Item to be removed from the agenda.

- *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.

The Clerk has spoken to the Editor and it has been agreed that an abridged version of the minutes will be printed in the Tingewick & District News, with the full version being displayed on the noticeboard and website and available by request from the Parish Clerk.

- *Open Forum – April 2018: Historical Society*

The last time the Historical Society undertook a large project, the Parish Council loaned them approximately £200 to help with the costs incurred, along with a £150 donation for the printing of the booklet and it is hoped that the Parish Council may do this again.

See item 225 above for discussion.

£200 loan

Proposed: Cllr Lightfoot Seconded: Cllr Hornsey Approved

Donation of approximately £250 (exact amount to be agreed when quotes received for printing the first run of the booklet)

Proposed: Cllr Fenemore Seconded: Cllr Maxwell Approved

229 Planning;

18/01050/ALB - TINGEWICK, Crown Inn PH Main Street

Minor internal and external alterations.

NO OBJECTION

18/01302/APP – TINGEWICK, Jukes House Church Lane

Demolition of conservatory and replacement with new garden room and first floor extension over garage.

NO OBJECTION

18/01417/APP – TINGEWICK, Broadway Cottage Main Street

First floor extension.

NO OBJECTION

230 Accounts

Pending more clarity being sought in relation to one contractors' invoices, it was proposed that the Transaction Report be accepted

Proposed: Cllr Hornsey Second: Cllr Jenkinson Approved

Clerk to contact contractor for revised invoices.

It was proposed that the Budget Report be accepted

Proposed: Cllr Lightfoot Second: Cllr Maxwell Approved

231 Annual Return – To Approve Annual Governance Statements 2017/2018

The Annual Governance Statements were considered.

It was proposed that the Annual Governance Statements be approved.

Proposed: Cllr Lightfoot Seconded: Cllr Churchfield Approved

232 Annual Return – To Approve Accounting Statements 2017/2018

The Annual Accounting Statements were considered.

It was proposed that the Annual Accounting Statements be approved.

Proposed: Cllr Jenkinson Seconded: Cllr Fenemore Approved

233 Financial Regulations - To review

It was proposed that the Financial Regulations be adopted.

Proposed: Cllr churchfield Seconded: Cllr Hornsey Approved

234 Risk Assessment – Annual review of risk

It was proposed that the Risk Assessment be adopted

Proposed: Cllr Lightfoot Seconded: Cllr Swinburne Approved

235 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

There was a light out in Hickmans Close, which has been repaired by Aylesbury Mains. The light has had various repairs carried out previously so will be monitored closely in future.

- Footpaths and Pond: Cllr Churchfield - Nothing to report.

- Cemetery, Grass Cutting and Special Projects: Cllr Swinburne

A call was received today in regard to the length of the grass as the cemetery, it is presumed this is due to the recent wet weather making it difficult to mow the grass. Cllr Swinburne will raise it with Mr Styles but noted that he will most likely be seeing to shortly anyway.

- Playgrounds, Footways and Street Furniture: Cllr Hornsey

Cllr Hornsey will check the rubbish bin on "the triangle" to see if it can be repaired or requires replacing and report to the Clerk for action.

- Recreation Ground: Cllr Fenemore

The contract with the existing Grounds Management company (grass mowing) has been extended for a further year.

- Planning: Cllr Jenkinson

Details have been submitted in respect of the Tingewick Park footpaths and bridleways.

The application at Ancient Lights has been refused.

Outline approval was granted to knock-down and rebuild with a two storey residence, the bungalow on Sandpit Hill.

- Village Hall Wi-Fi and Roads: Cllr Maxwell

The wifi is under management of the Village Hall Committee since 9th April 2018.

The worst of the potholes have been filled, the one at the Gawcott roundabout was filled about a week ago as was the big one between Tingewick and Tesco.

The A421 was closed for repairs recently however some of the patches are already crumbling, particularly the spot opposite the entrance to the garden centre, near the roundabout.

There are two vans currently parked on Stowe View which is causing everyone to drive on the one side of the round to get around them and this is causing some damage to the road, the two big potholes were measured and reported to TfB however TfB have declared them to not fit the criteria for repair. They will be reported again shortly.

236 Correspondence

A letter was received by some young residents who wish to hold a fundraiser for the Rec Ground. This was very enthusiastically received by the PC.

The young people will be invited to discuss their idea in more detail and attend the Village Fete to promote it.

Clerk to respond to the young people.

237 General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR)

The Clerk gave a brief overview of the new GDPR and advised that an audit is being undertaken to ensure the PC complies by 25th May 2018 when the GDPR come in to effect.

The public is encouraged to correspond only via the Clerk to ensure the GDPR are adhered to.

238 Village Entrance Planter Boxes

Cllr Lightfoot is exploring options for flower boxes to be placed at each entrance to the Village in cooperation with the Horticultural Society.

239 Date of next meeting:

The date of the next Parish Council Meeting is set for Thursday 7th June 2018 at 7.30pm.

Meeting Closed: 21:25

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