

TINGEWICK PARISH COUNCIL

I hereby give notice that the Meeting of the PARISH COUNCIL of the above-named Parish will be held remotely on **Thursday 14th May 2020 at 7.30pm.**

All members of the Council are hereby summoned to attend for the purpose of considering and resolving upon the business to be transacted at the meeting as set out hereunder.

Dated this 14th day of May 2020 Clerk of the Parish Council

Apologies: Cllr Richard Fenemore, Cllr Pat Swinburne, Cllr Charlie Clare, Cllr Patrick Fealey.

524 Declarations of Interest: None.

525 Minutes: To consider the approval of the minutes of the last meeting held 06-04-2020.

Proposed: Cllr Lightfoot Seconded: Cllr Newman APPROVED

OPEN FORUM: *was not held due to the meeting being held remotely.*

526 Unitary Authority Councillor's Reports

Not in attendance.

527 Matters Arising:

- *Open Forum – December 2018: Pinch-Point*

Cllr Clare will be arranging for assessors from the Highways Department to visit the site and then advise whether the new position is viable as per the concerns previously raised.

Ongoing due to Covid-19.

- *Item 483 – County Councillors Report*

Cllr Hornsey advised that since the brush was cut back along the footway on the left-hand side from the bypass roundabout as you head into the village, it has made the vegetation overgrowing the curb more noticeable. Cllr Clare thinks this requires “siding out” and said that he will raise it with the local area technician.

Action – Cllr Maxwell to send Cllr Clare pictures of the area.

Cllr Maxwell confirmed the pictures were sent to Cllr Clare – ongoing due to Covid-19.

- *Item 488 – Councillors Reports: Cemetery*

Cllr Lightfoot advised that Mrs Stuchbury has raised the Yew trees at the cemetery again as she feels they need to be cut back. Cllr Hornsey confirmed that the trees had been examined by AJB Tree Care when they were completing other work and the trees were deemed to be ok.

Action – Cllr Hornsey to respond to Mrs Stuchbury and pass on the information received from the professional examination.

Cllr Hornsey confirmed that he has spoken with Mrs Stuchbury.

Cllr Lightfoot advised that Mrs Stuchbury also raised the tarmac at the entrance to cemetery as some tree roots are breaking through.

Action – Cllr Hornsey to inspect the area and explore what action can be taken.

Cllr Hornsey advised that the tree roots were more obvious when the area was first pressure cleaned but seem to have settled down a bit now. It was agreed that there is nothing that can be done at this time that will not damage or kill the trees but this matter can be raised again in future if the exposed roots cause any more damage to the tarmac.

- *Item 488 – Councillors Reports: Roads*

A lorry has driven over the triangle on West Well Close which has damaged the grass.

Damaged bollards: one near the post office (reported) and two on Sandpit Hill.

There are numerous granite sets loose along Main Street and one at the entrance of New Street.

Action – Cllr Maxwell to report all of the above to the local authority.

Cllr Maxwell confirmed all had been reported.

528 Planning

20/01479/APP – TINGEWICK, 7 Gorrell Close

Demolition of the existing rear conservatory, and erection of a single storey rear extension.

NO OBJECTION

529 Accounts

To consider list of payments as presented to the meeting.

Proposed: Cllr Hornsey Seconded: Cllr Newman APPROVED

530 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.

- Cllr Lightfoot – Street Lighting
Aylesbury Mains saved the day when a rope had broken on the flagpole outside the Royal Oak, a technician with a cherry picker helped it and raise the flag.
Nothing else to report.

Cllr Lightfoot advised that since she started liaising with the Property Agent who manages the Tingewick allotments on behalf of the Diocese of Oxford, the plots are all full now and there is a waiting list. The allotments are looking much better already.

The tenants have asked if the PC would be willing to contribute to the cost of removing the rubbish that has built up at the allotments if they were to clear it all out.

Proposed: Cllr Lightfoot Seconded: Cllr Hornsey APPROVED

- Cllr Hornsey – Playgrounds, Footways and Street Furniture
Nothing new to report.
- Cllr Swinburne – Cemetery, Grass Cutting and Special Projects.
Nothing new to report.
- Cllr Fenemore – Recreation Ground
Nothing new to report.
- Cllr Maxwell – Roads
All lights working at the pond.
Nothing new to report.
- Cllr Newman – Footpaths and Pond
Gorrell lane, overgrown due to weather. The maintenance contractor will do that area soon.
Cllr Newman will follow up with TfB as to when the support slabs will be repaired / replaced.
- Cllr MacGarvey – Planning
Nothing new to report.

531 Correspondence

- a) Flags to recognise those who are keeping the country going; A resident has suggested flags to be displayed at the church and Royal Oak recognising and thanking keyworkers and has offered to contribute to the cost.

Cllr Hornsey advised that there can only be two flags at the most at the church.

Cllr Lightfoot suggested the resident may be willing to contribute to the repair of the rope / cable of the Royal Oak flagpole.

Action: Clerk to explore flags and costings and to pass on Cllr Lightfoot's suggestion.

- b) Fly tipping on the sides of the Barton Road near to the airfield runway and provision of litter bins; It was raised by a resident that cars and lorry drivers park up in that spot and that there is nowhere to put litter.

It was agreed that it is most likely Buckinghamshire Council's Highways team that are responsible.

Action: Cllr Maxwell to enquire with Bucks about getting a litter bin in that location.

Action: Clerk to check if the Great British Spring Clean is still going ahead in September 2020 – if not, a litter pick is to be organised with the PC providing a skip for the rubbish collected.

- c) Trees at the pond; the resident who owns the property closest to the pond on Sandpit Hill has asked if the PC will do something about the trees by the pond that have branches overhanging their land.

It was discussed and agreed that the resident is within their rights to cut back any branches overhanging their land but the PC is not currently in a position to cut back or remove any trees that are not a hazard.

Action: Clerk to feedback to the resident.

532 Tingewick Community Park Trust Update (standing item)

No updates at this time regarding the development of the site, though it was noted that £224 was raised from the Waitrose Green Tokens scheme.

533 Cemetery nearing capacity

Clerk advised that the cemetery is nearing capacity and while there is no immediate risk of running out of space, she is aware of the time it can take to progress any action for expansion.

All Councillors were in agreement that it would be best to form a separate Working Party to manage this and feedback any progress and information to the rest of the PC.

Action: Clerk to contact the Diocese of Oxford to start making enquiries about the purchase of additional land – when that information is gathered the PC is to form the Working Party.

534 Date of next Meeting:

The next Parish Council Meeting was confirmed for Thursday 11th June 2020 at 7.30pm.

Meeting closed: 9.15pm.