



TINGEWICK PARISH COUNCIL

27 The Maltings, Tingewick

Buckingham, Bucks

MK18 4LQ

07984 055185

clerk@tingewickparishcouncil.org.uk

DRAFT Minutes of the meeting of Tingewick Parish Council
held in Tingewick Village Hall on **Thursday 29th July 2021 at 7.30pm.**

Apologies: Cllr Patrick Fealey.

Cllr Lightfoot started the meeting with a tribute to Cllr Fenemore, who sadly passed away on Sunday 25th July 2021. The Parish Council offer sincere condolences to Cllr Fenemore's family.

707 Declarations of Interest: None.

708 Minutes: To consider the approval of the minutes of the last meeting held 01-07-2021

Proposed: Cllr Lightfoot

Seconded: Cllr Hornsey

APPROVED

OPEN FORUM: *Andrew Pegg from the Lib Dem Focus Team for Buckingham West attended and advised that during the local elections, he and some of his colleagues were chatting to residents in Water Stratford, and it was brought to their attention that the main street through Water Stratford is a narrow main road, the demographic is elderly residents and people were saying that the main street is used as a Rat-Run as there are no traffic calming measures coming in to or going out of the village; that it is a traffic hazard and it was described as "an accident waiting to happen."*

Since then, Mr Pegg and his colleagues have done some more canvassing on that issue. They asked if residents were happy to petition and a lot said they were.

Last month a formal petition was done around the houses in Water Stratford and the hit-rate on the petition was described by one of Mr Pegg's colleagues as the most unanimous ever; people in Water Stratford want a 20mph limit in what is now the 30mph area.

The team explored the idea of traffic calming measures but decided to not put that on the petition as they are slightly more controversial and disruptive.

The team is currently deciding on the best way to present the petition to Council; it could be through the Community Board or through Peter Cooper, Shadow Communities Minister for the Opposition.

Cllr Stuchbury commented that Thames Valley Police don't choose the speed limit; they have to enforce the limit decided by council. Presently there is a bid going to Buckingham for 20mph limits in various areas in Buckingham and it is Cllr Stuchbury's view to see where that gets, after a feasibility study and if we get down to implementing it, to see what the cost is for a traffic order.

Cllr Lightfoot advised that the 20mph limit was raised at the most recent Community Board meeting and following that meeting she was contacted by Maids Moreton Parish Council stating that they agree. She feels that there would be a similar result for a petition in Tingewick.

Cllr Lightfoot has been exploring stickers / signage for Main Street "20's plenty for Tingewick" and thinks the visibility with the stickers would be a good place to start.

Cllr Stuchbury think an online petition would be good for most people.

Mr Pegg advised that they have done a paper-based petition but that they do have one online too through the Lib Dem website.

Cllr Lightfoot advised that she has spoken to Dadford's Parish Council about their new raised junctions, zebra crossing and red zone tarmac which she was told were paid for by a local business park and cost £100,000!

She has also spoken with the Head Teacher from Roundwood School and they are happy to do some road safety work with the children and have them design posters which could be used with the "20's plenty" campaign.



TINGEWICK PARISH COUNCIL

27 The Maltings, Tingewick

Buckingham, Bucks

MK18 4LQ

07984 055185

clerk@tingewickparishcouncil.org.uk

Cllr Stuchbury noted that in Water Stratford and Radclive it is a common theme and suggested it may be worth trying to coordinate the Parishes.

Mr Pegg agreed, he feels the way to do this, if we want to be successful, would be to start from the ground up; taking it from the parishes upwards through the council.

Mr Pegg said that he would be happy to take the lead on it and contact the different parishes to try and get them in to one meeting.

709 Unitary Authority Councillor's Reports:

Cllr Stuchbury advised that he has been to Cabinet to question the allocation of covid money, Buckinghamshire Council took a motion to put £3million into foot baths, there was an amendment by the Lib Dem's to put in an additional £3million but that was defeated because the Council think it would be frivolous to use £6million.

Cllr Stuchbury has today been to a meeting for an update on health. There is going to be a consultation in August on the provision of health care in Buckingham and the health centre. They allude to having funding in place and the consultation will be for the services they will provide. The meeting today was to try and thrash out what is being offered. There are questions around if they will be breaking ground before December 2021. They discussed the reorganisation of the NHS but what affects us locally, is the health centre, we all use it. The PC should be consulted as a stakeholder and there will be something in the paper.

The Council will soon go off into a slumber period; when we come back in autumn it will be normal things Tingewick PC will also be doing, setting budgets and services.

Cllr Lightfoot asked if Cllr Stuchbury had any information about the lorries and work that have started in Field Close?

Cllr Stuchbury explained that the Planning Committee did not put any conditions on it, when the planning application was approved, so there are no working times on the application. The only thing we could do is use the Highways Act if they breach that.

Cllr Lightfoot asked where to direct people if they contact the PC with any complaints?

Cllr Stuchbury said to direct them to himself and he will deal with them.

Cllr Stuchbury wished to extend his sincere condolences for Cllr Fenemore's family.

He advised that he has known Cllr Fenemore since he was a boy and shared many memories and commented that commented that is it a terrible loss to his family but it's also a huge loss to the village.

Cllr Lightfoot advised that when he sent his apologies for this meeting, Cllr Fealey also wished to extend his condolences to Cllr Fenemore's family.

710 Matters Arising:

- *Item 615 – Tree Planting Project.*

Clerk advised prior to the meeting that the Cultivation Licence application has been submitted and the licence fee paid. We await response from Buckinghamshire Council.

Clerk advised that the Streetworks team asked what types of trees are being planted and the information was provided but we are still awaiting the Cultivation Licence.

Action: Clerk to chase the Streetworks team.

- *Item 635 Councillors Reports: Village Duck Pond.*



Cllr Lightfoot advised that she met with the Flood Management Team from Buckinghamshire Council; they recommended partially clearing the reeds in front of the water outlet pipe.

A working party will be meeting on Saturday 24th July 2021 to clear the reeds.

Cllr Lightfoot confirmed that the reeds were cut down. Since then, the pipe has had to be removed after a request by the Flood Management Team (FMT) as they advised it can cause more blockages and problems than it prevents.

- *Item 648 Councillors Reports: Footpaths – Gorrell Lane side banks.*

The PC unanimously agreed that we cannot wait until that happens and will engage with CJM to carry out the works they have quoted for, to make the lane safe.

Cllr Hornsey advised that he confirmed with CJM that the PC accepted the quote; we are now awaiting a date for the works to be carried out.

Cllr Hornsey confirmed that the works are being scheduled with CJM, we are just awaiting a confirmation of the date when the works will be carried out.

Item to be removed from the agenda.

- *Item 679 Annual Return: To Approve Annual Governance Statements*

- *Item 680 Annual Return: To Approve Accounting Statements*

To carry over to the next meeting for approval.

Clerk advised prior to the meeting that there are still issues with HSBC and having online access to the accounts. In the process of trying to update the account it has been raised that the PC do not have the correct type of accounts and a new mandate will need to be completed.

Action: Clerk to complete the mandate and return to HSBC.

Clerk confirmed that the mandate has been completed and returned to HSBC, however we are still awaiting a response from the bank.

- *Item 681 Councillors Reports: Playgrounds – The “sink hole” in the wet-pour ground surface of the school playground was reported again.*

Cllr Hornsey has provided photographs of the area in question to the clerk, at the request of Wickstead, however it is difficult to see the issue and a technician will need to attend.

Action: Clerk to follow up with Wickstead.

Clerk advised that Wickstead were chased but we are still awaiting a date for them to visit the site and inspect the sink hole.

- *Item 682 Correspondence: Rec Ground Toilet Block*

Cllr Hornsey proposed restoring the existing toilet block for future use, which was felt to be a good idea by all present.

Cllr Hornsey confirmed the Gents toilets have been done and the Ladies will be done shortly.

Cllr Hornsey confirmed that the repairs to the toilet block have been completed, though the block will need white washing, which will be done soon.

Item to be removed from the agenda.

- *Item 691 Councillors Reports: Planning – Buckingham Neighbourhood Plan.*

Cllr Hornsey agreed with Cllr Stuchbury that the PC should explore the option of joining Buckingham on their Neighbourhood Plan.



TINGEWICK PARISH COUNCIL
27 The Maltings, Tingewick
Buckingham, Bucks
MK18 4LQ

07984 055185

clerk@tingewickparishcouncil.org.uk

Clerk reported prior to the meeting that the Buckingham Town Clerk has been contacted and a response is awaited.

Clerk advised that there has still been no response so she will chase the Town Clerk again.

- *Item 694: Poppies*

The PC agreed to purchase Poppies from the British Legion to decorate Main Street in November.

Cllr Lightfoot confirmed the poppies are 18 inches wide and can be tied on lampposts and other poles / railings. We will obtain 36 at a cost of £3.00 each (total £108)

Proposed: Cllr Lightfoot Seconded: Cllr Newman APPROVED.

Cllr Lightfoot confirmed that the poppies were ordered and have arrived.

Item to be removed from the agenda.

- *Item 703: Councillors Reports – Grass Cutting*

Cllr Lightfoot advised that there is a Portal for Parishes with information about the grass cutting schedules, however when access was finally gained, the dates related to the 2020/21 schedule.

Cllr Lightfoot thinks it may be worth exploring devolving the service from Buckinghamshire Council and Tingewick taking over the works but this will need to be explored in more detail.

Action: Cllr Lightfoot will continue to chase Buckinghamshire Council about both the dates for the grass cutting and for information about devolving the service.

Cllr Lightfoot advised that she was told the grass cutting would hopefully be done by 9th August. She spoke to one of the technicians when they were cutting the triangle at West Well Lane who said they were hoping to do the whole village but a lot of the workers had been pinged on the track and trace app and there was only two of them able to work.

Cllr Lightfoot obtained a copy of the application for devolving services; however, it states that applications closed in 2019.

Action: Cllr Lightfoot to explore this with other local parishes who have devolved services.

- *Item 703: Councillors Reports – Cemetery*

Action: Clerk will be asked to check on land ownership as our cemetery is nearly full and the new one in Buckingham will not be open to reserving plots.

Action: Clerk to forward correspondence from Oxford Diocese to Cllr Stuchbury.

Action: Clerk to calculate exactly how many plots remain and inform our residents that places are limited.

Clerk advised that the Oxford Diocese confirmed they will not release any more land to the PC to extend the cemetery grounds.

Clerk confirmed the correspondence with the Diocese has been forwarded to Cllr Stuchbury.

Cllr confirmed there are approximately 60 burial plots and twelve ashes plots remaining at the cemetery.

- *Item 703: Councillors Reports – Roads / Footpaths & Footways / Street Furniture*

Cllr Maxwell will liaise with a resident about the stiles and footpaths to the south of the bypass that were reported to have issues.

The one at the Buckingham end has been reported and we await response.



TINGEWICK PARISH COUNCIL

27 The Maltings, Tingewick

Buckingham, Bucks

MK18 4LQ

07984 055185

clerk@tingewickparishcouncil.org.uk

Cllr Maxwell confirmed that he met with the resident; the styles and steps at Barton road and down to the bypass were both reported as Rights of Way faults – the report says the job is progressing in to the program of works.

- *Item 703: Councillors Reports – Special Projects*

Cllr Newman raised the speeding issue, as recently discussed on the Tingewick Life Facebook page; the PC is exploring the “20 is plenty” campaign as in Stewkley and around the country.

Cllr Lightfoot agreed to speak to Dadford regards their “red roads” and raised junctions that have been completed; to find out how and by whom they were installed.

Discussed above in Open Forum.

711 Planning

There were no Planning Applications submitted for consultation.

712 Accounts

To consider the list of payments as presented to the meeting.

Clerk advised that due to the ongoing issues with HSBC there will be no transaction report this month.

Action: Clerk to chase HSBC regards the new mandate that was submitted.

713 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 / Defibrillator

A new set of pads were installed in the defibrillator this afternoon

Cllr Lightfoot spoke with the technician from Aylesbury Mains about the light outside The Little House, on Barton Road as it is very dim and surrounded by conifers; he will cut back the top of the tree as it is affecting the sensor and a new light will be installed.

- Cllr Hornsey – Planning / Chapel

Nothing new to report.

- Cllr Swinburne – Cemetery / Pond / Playgrounds (Rec. & Main St)

The pond seems to be fine, the cemetery is a bit rough in places but this is most likely still due to the issues with the mower recently.

- Cllr Maxwell – Roads / Footpaths & Footways / Street Furniture

The report for the bollard opposite the post office has moved to “in progress” on the status report. The tarmac opposite the farm at the top of Water Stratford Road is breaking up, Cllr Maxwell will report this, with photographs, before it gets worse.

A set on Main Street has been reported twice but Cllr Maxwell will report it again.

- Cllr Newman – Special Projects

Now that we have permission from the CCLA, we will need to go to the bank to change the mandate for the Tingewick Civil Charities account.



TINGEWICK PARISH COUNCIL
27 The Maltings, Tingewick
Buckingham, Bucks
MK18 4LQ

07984 055185

clerk@tingewickparishcouncil.org.uk

- Cllr Boyle – Social Media
Nothing new to report.

714 Correspondence

715 Allotment Water Supply

Proposal received from Allotment tenants for a funding contribution to extend on the water supply for £800

It was felt that as the allotment area is not in village ownership, it would not be right to spend designated parish monies on its development. Should the tenants wish to proceed with the works themselves, the PC would need to monitor the water usage for any significant increase as it pays the bill.

Action: Cllr Lightfoot to respond to the proposal.

716 20mph speed limit petition

Discussed above in Open Forum.

717 Queen's Platinum Jubilee 2022

The Jubilee is on 2nd to 5th June 2022 with a National Tea Party on the Sunday.

Cllr Lightfoot proposed a new village sign to display at the duck pond to mark the occasion.

All present agreed it could be a good idea to hold a village competition for the artwork "Design A Sign for Tingewick" competition.

It was agreed that a sub-committee will be formed after the Summer Event in August 2021 to explore how Tingewick residents can celebrate this event.

718 Cemetery Trees

It has been recommended by the technician carrying out the works to the cemetery trees, to remove the six Leylandii at the south end.

Cllr Lightfoot proposed the PC replace some of them with classic English broadleaves to tie in with the Queen's Platinum Jubilee next year and the Queens' Green Canopy program.

All present agreed.

719 Grounds Maintenance Contract; extras

It has come to the attention of the PC that a lot of requests for maintenance work are going directly to the Grounds Maintenance contractor. The PC ask that all requests come via the PC so they can be recorded and approved – the Clerks contact details are on the web page, the noticeboard on Main Street and on the page header for the minutes.

720 Tingewick Community Park Trust Update (standing item)

Cllr Lightfoot advised that she has attended a meeting with the people from the Community Board about the grant previously applied for, so hopefully we will have an outcome / decision soon.

721 Date of next Meeting:

The next Parish Council Meeting was confirmed for Thursday 2nd September 2021 at 7.30pm.