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DRAFT Minutes of the Meeting of Tingewick Parish Council held in Tingewick Village Hall on
Wednesday 29th June 2022 at 7.30pm.

Apologies: Cllr Jackie Newman, Cllr Patrick Fealey and Cllr Caroline Cornell

043 Declarations of Interest: None

044 Minutes: To consider the approval of the minutes of the last meeting held 25-05-2022. Clerk advised that the minutes of the May meeting were currently unavailable and would be distributed along with the minutes of this meeting.

OPEN FORUM: *There were no residents in attendance.*

045 Unitary Authority Councillor's Reports:

Cllr Robin Stuchbury advised that the A421 is going to be looked at by Buckinghamshire Council (BC) for "dual-ing" again, which won't directly affect Tingewick but will mean if they "dual" it they will connect from the bypass to the Bletchley roundabout.

Cllr Stuchbury feels that BC are not consulting properly, they have put in call for Brown Sites but 2020 was the last time they spoke to the councillors.

Cllr Stuchbury advised that the contract for TfB is being reviewed.

Cllr Stuchbury explained that commissioning is done through the whole of Buckinghamshire to ensure fire services are the same in every area, there will be a consultation for whether it is taken over by Police and Crime Commissioner.

Cllr Stuchbury advised that there will be a health meeting tomorrow, going over Buckinghamshire, Oxfordshire and Berkshire West Integrated Care System (BOB ICS), looking at mental health. Buckingham Town Council is now starting on a local plan, TPC need to make the decision whether to be involved; Cllr Stuchbury suggests being part of the consultation as the Local Plan can be used in the defence against planning applications.

Action; Clerk to write to the Buckingham Town Clerk again about the Local Plan.

Cllr Stuchbury will be involved in interviews for the new Buckingham Town Clerk on Monday.

Cllr Stuchbury advised that the new cemetery is progressing slowly, there will be enough space for 100 years but it will be developed in stages.

046 Matters Arising:

- *Item 028: Councillors Reports – Chapel*

Cllr Hornsey advised that he is sourcing resources for the shelves as there are quite a few in need of repair, this will be done soon.

This will be completed by the end of August.

- *Item 039: Councillors Reports – Rec Ground*

Action: Clerk write to Tingewick FC to ask that the clippings are collected and to discuss where the clippings can be left in future.

Done, the FC cleared the clippings and a new place for them was agreed with the Grounds Maintenance Contractor.

Action: Clerk to check the cutting schedule with CGM and request an extra cut before the Platinum Jubilee Party on Sunday 5th June 2022.

Done.



- *Item 039: Councillors Reports – Pond*

A professional estimate of the pond believes there is around 100 tonnes of sludge at the bottom of the pond; there is not enough water to dredge the pond and if the sludge was to be "bucketed" out it would require a watertight container to transport it away.

Action: Grounds Maintenance Contractor to explore crystals that break down the sludge.

Cllr Lightfoot suggested starting a "go fund me" page to raise money for the removal of the sludge and other general repairs and to improve the ponds appearance.

Cllr Hornsey suggested a working party to help clean the pond.

Cllr Lightfoot met with a contractor about removing the matted reeds/roots at the pond and clearing around the edge, a quote was provided but it was felt that the cost was too high.

To be discussed further at the next PC meeting.

Action: Cllr Maxwell to ask Mr Barratt if he can help with the removal of the waste and/or sludge.

Action: Cllr Lightfoot to ask the Grounds Maintenance contractor to remove the tyre from the pond.

- *Item 039: Councillors Reports – Social Media*

A date is to be set for further website and Facebook updates.

Cllr Boyle, Cllr Lightfoot and the Clerk agreed to meet 6th August 2022 to discuss the updates.

047 Planning

There were no planning applications to discuss.

048 Accounts

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

049 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

Cllr Lightfoot advised that the new battery arrived and will be installed 1st July 2022; the battery will last four years.

Cllr Maxwell advised that the telephone box which houses the defib has been washed down and will be repainted soon.

Cllr Lightfoot advised that streetlight 48 at the junction of Westwell and Strangers has been reported as being out by a local resident, it has been reported to Ford & McHugh and will be repaired next week. Also, at that time F and M will cut back the conifer branches that conceal lamp 1 in Old Forge Close. The high-level ceramic box casing at lamp 40 on Upper St has been inspected by Western Power and declared as safe. This was flagged up by F and M during their recent inventory works and also by a resident.

- Cllr Hornsey – Planning / Chapel

Cllr Hornsey advised that the fascia's at the chapel are being painted **by the end of July**.

Cllr Hornsey advised that the MVAS needs a new battery, a quote was obtained from the firm which the MVAS was purchased through but this was very high; other quotes will be sought.

Cllr Lightfoot will also check to see if a grant is available from the Buckingham Communities Board as they have a road safety allocation available.



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Cllr Lightfoot asked if that will rectify the issue with some of the lights not working?

Cllr Hornsey said it will not as that is due to the LED's burning out; he will look into whether they can be replaced or if an entire new unit will be required.

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

No new updates.

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

Cllr Maxwell advised that he reported the whole of the footpath on Stowe View, TfB responded that they had inspected the area but don't feel the work is necessary; it will be added to the works program at a later date.

Action – Cllr Maxwell to ask for TfB's report so we can see their rationale.

Cllr Maxwell advised that the footpath on Dead-Mans Walk was reported to the PC as it has been damaged due to building works associated with the construction of a fence by the neighbouring landowner. The PC has written to the landowner and asked them to make it safe. Cllr Maxwell has later spoken to the landowner, but they have said they are not in position to repair it.

Action: Clerk to write again to the landowner to highlight that the footpath in its current state is dangerous and the PC have no alternative but to report it to BC.

Cllr Maxwell advised that the steps up from other side of Barton Road the steps down to the bypass, approximately 400 yards further down, were both overgrown; they were reported to TfB and both have been cut.

The footpath between the two steps is becoming overgrown; it has been reported but is not on the official map.

Cllr Lightfoot advised that the Tingewick Walkers will be walking the Bernwood Jubilee Walk so any faded or damaged signs can be reported and replaced, as a new Diamond Jubilee fund pot is available

Cllr Lightfoot advised that the Jubilee Bench is in situ at the pond and everyone agreed it looks great. The memorial plaque is being sourced.

- Cllr Newman – Special Projects

Not in attendance.

- Cllr Boyle – Social Media

No new updates.

050 Correspondence

A letter was received from Mrs Stuchbury, which Cllr Lightfoot forwarded to the PC.

Action: Cllr Lightfoot to draft a response.

051 Tingewick Community Park Trust update (standing item)

No new updates.



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052 Date of next Meeting:

The next Parish Council Meeting was confirmed for Wednesday 27th July 2022 at 7.30pm.

Meeting closed: 10.05pm