

<u>DRAFT</u> Minutes of the meeting of Tingewick Parish Council held in Tingewick Village Hall on Wednesday 29th March 2022 at 7.30pm.

Apologies: Cllr Patrick Fealey, Cllr Robin Stuchbury, Cllr Caroline Cook, Cllr Jackie Newman and Parish Clerk Sam Chandler

022 Declarations of Interest: None

023 Minutes: To consider the approval of the minutes of the last meeting held 23-02-2022

Proposed: Cllr Hornsey Seconded: Cllr Swinburne APPROVED

OPEN FORUM: There were no residents in attendance.

024 Unitary Authority Councillor's Reports: not in attendance.

025 Matters Arising:

- Item 679 Annual Return: To Approve Annual Governance Statements
- Item 680 Annual Return: To Approve Accounting Statements
 Clerk advised that she is liaising with the external auditor because of banking delay.
 No update at this time, the accounts are with the auditor.

Clerk advised prior to the meeting that the 2020/21 accounts will be lodged at the same time as the 2021/22 accounts.

• Item 750: Flashing School Lights

Action: Cllr Lightfoot to raise with our County Councillors for support with regards location of flashing lights.

Cllr Hornsey liaising with Buckinghamshire Councillors for assistance.

026 Planning – There were no planning applications to consider.

027 Accounts

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

Proposed: Clir Maxwell Seconded: Clir Boyle APPROVED

HSBC requires to see sight of a formal record in our Parish minutes that the PC members have agreed for both the Parish Clerk and PC Chair to hold debit cards against the PC current account. This allows for easier direct purchases, transfers between accounts and account access 24hrs a day.

Proposed: Cllr Hornsey Seconded: Cllr Maxwell APPROVED.

028 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 All ok with street lighting and defibrillator.



Action: Cllr Lightfoot to chase the streetlight supplier regarding the outstanding inventory required by Western Power.

• Cllr Hornsey – Planning / Chapel

All ok. The chapel repairs have been booked in, and repairers will liaise with each other and complete the works when they both have availability.

Action: Cllr Hornsey to replace and repair some of the shelving supports on the racking system in the Chapel.

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

The pond bank will be cut as previously requested.

Cllr Maxwell received a question from a resident about leaving it long for the ducks to nest in. But the PC feel there is ample space in the field behind for nesting so the bank will be kept clipped and low as before. Maintenance advise that the ducks are also often found up at the old farmland on Upper St. Comments were that an over population of ducks would increase the already noted erosion and water pollution that a pond of that size can take.

Action: Clerk to put up a duck feeding advice notice as the water quality is also affected by the wrong foods and can encourage vermin.

PC have still had no further information from Wickstead regards the soft spot in the wet pour surface of the playground on Main Street.

PC to consider using a different service provider for playground inspections and maintenance.

Cllr Maxwell – Roads / Footpaths & Footways / Street Furniture

Potholes generally are being repaired on the arterial roads into the village.

Cllr Maxwell reported the footpath TIN 25 running parallel behind Main St from Water Stratford Road has been widened at certain points by a work team two weeks ago, he was advised this was in preparation for other repairs to follow from Buckinghamshire Council / TfB; this is still awaited. Repair to the reported damaged dog waste bin in Church Lane is still outstanding and the Westwell Lane road sign is also still awaiting repair. Both will be chased again.

Cllr Newman – Special Projects

Cllr Newman to complete the works on marking and numbering the remaining plots at the cemetery with the PC Clerk. To be completed by the end of May to allow the PC to advise villagers of the remaining plots that are available. The Finmere facing boundary hedges are to be cut well back asap on the cemetery side. This has not been done for some years and may allow for the addition of another row of burial plots.

Cllr Boyle – Social Media

Cllr Boyle to speak to PC Web page provider regarding an un-limited gig capacity as the present amount is not sufficient. Also, he will establish what is required for the PC web page to be fully compliant and accessible to all under the new Compliance 20 rulings and report back.

029 Correspondence

a) Bovis Pinch Point

Chair of the Bovis Residents Association was replied to concerning his comment that the PC are the reason for the delay to this pinch point being moved to its new position. He was advised that



this was absolutely not the case, and he will advise all his members of this error in his next communication to them. The PC have been asking since 2018 when this might be completed, and all these requests are in the monthly minutes which are recorded on the PC web page. The PC Chair has spoken to Steve Essam from Buckinghamshire Council recently on this topic and he advises that this will be completed during the school summer holiday to avoid too much traffic disruption. The developments full adoption by BC is also on course for completion at the same time.

030 Tingewick Community Park Trust update (standing item)

We await a start date from TfB for the additional pavement works to the left hand side of Water Stratford Roadd on the approach to the rec ground and also that we can commence the rec improvements at the same time.

Conversations are on-going with Buckinghamshire Council on this whilst also reminding them that our planning approval expires March 2023. It's taken a long time to get this far, so a build start date is required asap to allow us in turn to confirm install dates with our sports equipment providers.

Action: Cllr Boyle to liaise with Tingewick Football Club about repairs to the toilet facilities in the small block at the rec ground.

031 Best Kept Village 2022

All agree to enter the village for this year, the entrance fee is £25.

Action: Clerk to complete and submit the application form.

032 Tingewick Charities

This is an historic village charity that offers monetary assistance for those who are experiencing challenging times. A new team of trustees has been formed and the scheme is shortly to be relaunched. All the new contact details will be made available along with a new email address for villagers who would like to nominate someone they know who would benefit from this scheme.

Please remember every case is considered in complete confidence.

033 Platinum Jubilee Party, Sunday 5th June

Plans are well under way for this. A new poster is to be circulated this weekend with lots more information on all the days planned events.

As a lasting memorial to mark the Queens 70 years, a decision was made to look at costings for a new bench or picnic table for the rec ground and/or a round bench for the tree at the pond. This will be decided on at the next PC meeting at the end of April.

034 Litter Pick

Planned for Saturday 9th April 2022 at 10am at the village hall, the Scouts will also be helping us this year and anyone else who can spare an hour or two would be made most welcome. Also, David and Carmel Partridge over the next week or so will be doing the two main roads out of the village towards the golf club and towards the Red Lion Finmere as they have done previously. The PC would like to thank them again for doing this for the village.

035 PC New Members

An advertisement has gone out on the PC web page looking to see if anyone would like to join the PC. Please contact the Clerk for more information or speak to any of the existing members to find out how you can help with all things Tingewick



032 Date of next Meeting:

The next Parish Council Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 28th April 2022 at 7.30pm.

Meeting closed: 21:10