TINGEWICK PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 24th April 2024 AT 7.00PM

PRESENT: Cllr Lightfoot (Chairperson) Cllr Hornsey (Vice Chairman) Cllr Maxwell Cllr Pearson Cllr Newman Cllr Cornell Cllr Fealey Cllr Stutchbury Dawn Rogers (Parish Clerk)

IN ATTENDANCE 3 Members of the public

46. Apologies

Cllr Rennie Cllr Holmes

47. Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest

Open Forum

Two residents impacted by planning application 24/01041/AOP-TINGEWICK raised concern regarding the proposal for two further dwellings at the rear of the site in that privacy will be impacted. It was agreed that Cllr Hornsey will view the proposal from the impacted resident's home and report to the Parish Council for a decision to be made.

48. To approve minutes of the meeting held on 27th March 2024

It was proposed that the minutes be approved as a true and accurate record. Proposed: Cllr Hornsey Seconded: Cllr Lightfoot Approved

49. Matters arising for information and reports only

Item 14/24 –the application for HS2 funding has been submitted and a response is awaited. Item 23 - Recreation Ground – Cllr Lightfoot and the Clerk met with Alice Williams of the Community Board on 02.04.24 to discuss funding that may be available for the fit out of the new pavilion. An application will be made to the Community Board for Funding when the application process reopens.

Item 44 – the clerk has liaised with the website administrator who advises that it is not possible to move older items to an archive due to the format (Wordpress) of the website and removing them will lead to 'dead links'.

50. Buckinghamshire Councilors' Reports

Cllr Fealey

Cllr Fealey continues to work with the residents at Stowe View in respect of the recent flooding. Litter picking needs careful planning outside of the village as traffic management is required. Cllr Fealey took the meeting through the statutory services that Buckinghamshire Council provides but which are not always seen, such as children's services, child protection, adult social care and homelessness.

Cllr Fealey will provide the Parish Council with a breakdown of the figures relevant to Tingewick and the surrounding area as it is noted that the Parish Council has a Civil Charity that may be able to help families in need.

The Council continues to reduce its carbon footprint.

Cllr Cornell

Cllr Cornell provided a written list of the village repair works which are being or will be undertaken at the following locations;

Upper Street, Stockleys Lane, Church Lane, Stowe View, Main Street, Buckingham Street, Lucas Cottage, West Well Street, Tudor Barn, Townsend Pond, Upper Street

Cllr Stutchbury

Cllr Stutchbury provided a written report in advance of the meeting and spoke on the following.

- Cllr Stutchbury was unsuccessful in raising the funding to be allocated to the local area boards.
- It was noted that planning in this area is predominantly passing on delegated powers and not via committee.
- Children's Services still does not have a good Ofsted rating and work is ongoing to improve this.
- It was noted that private rental properties are reducing, and an increasing number of constituents are seeking Cllr Stutchbury's assistance with accommodation issues.
- An Environmental Spring Fair will take place in Buckingham.
- The annual music festival will take place in various locations in Buckingham.

All Councilors agreed that the proposals for parking fees in Buckingham are inappropriate for the town and will continue to oppose them.

Questions/Comments:

- a. Concern raised that trees are being cut down at Osier way. Cllr Fealey noted that this has been undertaken subject to outline planning permission.
- b. Cllr Maxwell noted that there are many outstanding highway repairs that have been outstanding for a significant period, in some cases for three years. The meeting was advised that delays are caused to works due to traffic management requirements for repairs to be undertaken.
- c. It was questioned whether delays were being caused by poor project management by the Council's contractors.
- d. Frustration was expressed that the pinch point lighting on Sandpit Hill has not been repaired and is considered to be dangerous.

51. Planning

- a. Planning Application 24/00771/APP-TINGEWICK. Land of Preston Road, Tingewick. Erection of an agricultural building and relocation of bund. No Objections
- b. Outline Planning Application 24/01041/AOP-TINGEWICK. Deepdown, Water Stratford Road, Tingewick. Outline application with all matters reserved apart for the erection of two dwellings. Cllr Hornsey will visit the site and report to the Councilors for a decision to be made prior to 02.05.24.

c. Outline Planning Application 24/01011/AOP-TINGEWICK. Land at Buckingham Street. Tingewick. Outline application for demolition for garage and erection of up to three dwellings all matters reserved. No Objections but to be noted that the Parish Council have concerns at the size and affordability of the dwellings.

52. Accounts

See Appendix for details of Transactions and Budget report.

It was proposed that the Transaction Report be accepted. Proposed: Clir Maxwell Seconded: Clir Newman Approved

It was proposed that the Budget Report be accepted. Proposed: Cllr Pearson Seconded: Cllr Lightfoot Approved

53. Councilors Reports and Items for Future Agenda

<u>Lighting and Defibrillator-Cllr Lightfoot</u> Lighting is in order. Annual check on defibrillator undertaken and all in order.

<u>Footpaths, Footways, Highways and Street Furniture-Cllr Maxwell</u> Concerns raised by Cllr Maxwell with Buckinghamshire's Councillors as above at Item 50.

Pond and Special Projects-Cllr Newman

Cllr Newman reported that there are funds in an account for work towards work at the pond but that the pond may be in private ownership and as such significant work is unable to be undertaken. It was agreed that the monies will remain in the account until such time as work on the pond is able to take place.

Recreation Ground Play Area and School Playground - Cllr Holmes

Annual safety inspections have been undertaken and reports received. It was noted that there are no urgent remedial actions.

Cllr Maxwell will attend to various actions.

The clerk will arrange for the clerk's email to be added to the sign at the school playground. It was noted that sign at the Recreation Field contains the clerk's email and therefore does not require reinstating.

<u>Cemetery and Planning-Cllr Hornsey</u> Cemetery - nothing to report. Planning – as above at Item 51.

Devolved Powers (Grasscutting)

To be considered under item 54 below.

Recreation Ground-Cllr Lightfoot and Cllr Hornsey As below

Insurance-Cllr Pearson

The rolling contract with the existing insurer will end this year. It was agreed that alternative quotes will be obtained in advance of the renewal date.

54 Devolved Functions Contract

Two quotations have been received and a third is awaited. The Clerk will follow up the third quote and ask that a response be receive within 5 days as the work should commence as soon as possible. The clerk will circulate the quotations to Councillors for a decision and work to commence prior to the next meeting. Action: Clerk

55 Pond Funds

It was agreed that the funds in the account will remain until work is able to be undertaken.

56 Biodiversity Policy

The national guidance was discussed and considered. It was agreed that the Clerk will draft a policy that complies with the requirements and is relevant to Tingewick. Action: Clerk

57 Correspondence

- a. Heritage and Sons Request for a Memorial Permit-Maggs-Approved
- b. Heritage and Sons-Request for a Memorial Permit-Brock-Approved
- c. Heritage and Sons-Request for a Memorial Permit-Simmons-Approved

58 Recreation Ground Report/Development

It was reported that the building work has not yet recommenced. The gas contractor has visited the site and a relocation has been suggested that requires a further visit to approve. This visit is anticipated within the next two weeks.

59 Village Litter Pick – 27.04.24

Reminder that the village litter pick will take place on Saturday 27th April 2024, volunteers to meet at the Village Hall at 10.00am.

60 AOB (to be added to the next agenda)

None

61 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting is to take place on 22nd May at 7.00pm in the Village Hall which will also be the Annual General Meeting.

The meeting closed at 9.00pm

Chairperson's Signature	Date
Cllr Trisha Lightfoot	