#### **TINGEWICK PARISH COUNCIL**

# MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 28<sup>th</sup> MAY 2025 AT 6.30 PM

PRESENT: Cllr Hornsey

Cllr Rennie Cllr Maxwell Cllr Pearson Cllr Sullivan Cllr Grant Cllr Newman

Dawn Rogers (Parish Clerk)

Cllr Mahon Buckinghamshire County Councillor

IN ATTENDANCE: 0 Members of the public

#### 60. Apologies

Cllr Fealey Buckinghamshire Councillor

#### **61.** Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest.

## Open Forum - No members of the public were in attendance

## 62. To approve minutes of the meeting held on 23.04.25

It was proposed that the minutes be approved as a true and accurate record.

Proposed: Cllr Maxwell Seconded: Cllr Pearson Approved

#### 63. Matters arising for information and reports only

Item 23 Pond – The moles have left the pond, possibly as a result of the ultrasonic alarms and as such there was no need for further action.

Item 48 i Footways/Highways – The clerk wrote to the landowner and the leylandii has been cut back Item 48 iii – Footways/Highways - Agenda item 70 as below.

Item 48 – Recreation ground – as the season has now ended and we are installing the changing rooms, this item will be put back until later in the year.

Item 48 – Recreation Ground – There will be a stall at the fete to seek opinions. **Action: Cllr Rennie** Item 48 – Recreation ground – The kissing gate has now been removed and placed in storage in the chapel.

## 64. Buckinghamshire Councilors' Reports

Cllr Mahon had provided a written report in advance of the meeting which had been circulated to the meeting beforehand.

Tingewick is now in the Grendon Underwood and Claydon's Ward. There are now two councillors (were three) between 15 Parish Councils.

Cllr Mahon publishes a monthly report in the Claydon's magazine which he will send to us each month.

As it was Cllr Mahon's first meeting he set out his background and the committees that he is a member of.

It will be a challenging time in North Buckinghamshire due to the major infrastructure projects that are planned ie solar farms, battery storage facilities and the lack of a 5-year land provision for housing. Cllr Mahon stressed that he will work with Parish Councils regarding projects in their parishes. Cllr Mahon is hoping to table a motion to overturn the removal of information on planning applications on BCC's planning portal due to GDPR concerns.

#### Questions:

- i. Can developers be required to develop sewage provision for any development built? Evidence has shown that this can cause issues as to who maintains it and it then falling to the parishes. Anglian and Thames Water need to make provision for this. It was noted that there is a need for sufficient infrastructure before planning permission is provided.
- ii. Concern raised at the wording on BCC's website regarding the action that will be taken for default of payment of council tax, in that the full amount will be required for one default. This is the same policy for small businesses. Other lenders are not allowed to stipulate this.

Cllr Mahon was unaware of this and asked he be written to setting out the issue and he will raise it with BCC.

## 65. Planning

a. 25/01102/APP-TINGEWICK. Ancient Lights, Main Street, Tingewick. Householder application for garden room and shed (retrospective). **Approved** 

#### 66. Accounts

See Appendix for details of transactions requiring approval and Budget report.

a. It was proposed that the Transaction Report be accepted.

In addition, a sum of £13.48 to be paid by way of reimbursement of pond expenses to be paid to Beverly Maggs was approved.

Proposed: Cllr Newman Seconded: Cllr Honsey Approved

b. It was proposed that the Budget Report be accepted.

Proposed: Cllr Sullivan Seconded: Cllr Pearson Approved

#### 67. Risk Assessment and Management 2025

The Risk Assessment and Management Report 2025 was reviewed.

It was proposed that the assessment be approved.

Proposed: Cllr Hornsey Seconded: Cllr Pearson Approved.

## **68. Village Maintenance Contract**

Review of village maintenance contract and request for increase in contract payment. It was noted that the current contract is annualised hours due to seasonal fluctuations.

In reviewing the contract consideration was given to the work undertaken, value for money, accountability, transparency.

A breakdown of the current work will be requested and the matter added to the next agenda for further consideration.

Action: Cllr Hornsey

## 69. Councilors Reports and Items for Future Agenda

## <u>Lighting and Defibrillator-Cllr Hornsey</u>

- i. The defibrillator is in good order
- ii. A light on the Triangle has been reported but not yet repaired, this will be followed up

#### Footways, Highways and Street Furniture-Cllr Maxwell

- i. Various potholes have been repaired
- ii. Anglian Water undertook replacement tarmacking

#### Footpaths (rural) – Cllr Sullivan

Two overgrown footpath reports made. Cllr Maxwell cut the overgrowth back.

#### Pond and Special Projects-Cllr Newman

Work ongoing with the pond display board.

## Devolved Powers (Grasscutting)-Cllr Rennie

Recreation Ground - The grass cutting has been moved to the week before the fete.

# School Playground - Cllr Pearson

Climbing frame at the school requires a repair.

Various surface failings

## Recreation Ground Play Equipment – Cllr Grant

All is in order and noted to be well used.

#### <u>Cemetery - Cllr Newman</u>

All in order.

## **Recreation Ground-Cllr Hornsey**

As below at Item 71.

## <u>Insurance-Cllr Pearson</u>

The cost of adding the two new units at the recreation field has been obtained and approval was given to add them to the policy in readiness for delivery.

#### 70. Junction Visibility West Well Lane/Main Street

The owner is agreeable to the erection of a convex mirror to facilitate visibility for pedestrians and motorists; however, the property is grade 2 listed and it will not be possible to affix it without planning permission

Action: Cllr Hornsey
It was proposed that a convex mirror be purchased to affix to the post (if there is a suitable post).
Proposed: Cllr Hornsey Seconded: Cllr Rennie Agreed
71. Correspondence.
a. Heritage and Sons-Request re Garden of Remembrance – Approved.
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72. Recreation Ground Report/Development
Delivery of the units has been put back to 16 <sup>th</sup> June 2025
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73. Date of Next Meeting
The next Parish Council meeting will take place on Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> June at 7.00pm in the Village
Hall, Tingewick.
The meeting closed at 7.30pm (followed by the Annual Village Assembly)
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Date .....

Chairman's Signature.....

Investigations will be undertaken as whether there is a suitable pole nearby that can be used.