TINGEWICK PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL VILLAGE ASSEMBLY 28th May 2025

Present: Martin Honsey Chairman

Stuart Rennie Parish Councillor
Ed Maxwell Parish Councillor
Robert Pearson Parish Councillor
Joe Sullivan Parish Councillor
Nick Grant Parish Councillor
Jackie Newman Parish Councillor

Les Ashby Tingewick Football Club
Jackie Nash Tingewick Historical Society

Trisha Lightfoot Tingewick Civil Charities and Tingewick Park Community Trust

Graham Goodrich Tingewick Book Club
Dave Patridge Tingewick Village Hall

Roger

Apologies:

Patrick Fealey Buckinghamshire County Councillor

1. To Approve the Minutes of the Previous Meeting held on the 22nd May 2024

Proposed: Cllr Hornsey Seconded: Cllr Hornsey Agreed

2. Matters Arising from the Minutes of the 22nd May 2024

None

3. To Receive the Annual Report of the Parish Council

A written report, as attached to these minutes, was presented by Martin Hornsey, Chairman. Cllr Hornsey set out the work that the Parish Council has undertaken during the year and expressed thanks to Tricia Lightfoot who has stood down from the Parish Council.

4. To Receive the Financial Report of the Parish Council

The Clerk presented the year's financial accounts. The internal auditor has approved the Annual Return, and it will be submitted to the external auditor upon approval by the Parish Councilors this evening.

5. To Receive a Report by the Buckinghamshire Councillors (Presented by Cllr Mahon)

Written report received as attached and presented by Cllr Mahon.

It was noted that there has been an electoral boundary change and post elections there are only two councilors for a number of parishes. The key issues facing the county are likely to be the potential for large infrastructure projects (solar/wind farms) and meeting the government's house building targets.

6. To Receive a Report from St Mary Magdalene Church

A written report, as attached to these minutes, setting out the activities of the Church over the year was presented by Dawn Rogers, Parish Clerk.

7. To Receive a Report from the Civil Charities Committee

A written report, as attached to these minutes, was presented by Trisha Lightfoot.

The meeting was asked to spread the word regarding the charity so that people knew that they could seek support if needed.

8. To Receive a Report from the Tingewick Village Hall Committee

An Oral report presented by Dave Patridge

The hall was gifted to the village in 1935. The management committee meets monthly and is an independent charity and at no cost to the village residents.

They are nearing the end of a modernization plan. Decoration of the ceiling has started and the installation of solar heating and air conditioning is planned with the aid of a grant form Gawcott Solar Farm.

The hall is extremely well used and it is booked almost daily.

The Village Hall Arms is a tremendous success but if the pub opens it will close so as to support the pub.

9. To Receive a Report from the Tingewick and District News

No report received.

10. To Receive a Report from Roundwood School

Apologies received.

11. To Receive a Report from Tingewick Pre-School

Apologies received

12. To Receive a Report from the Tingewick Historical Society

A written report, as attached to these minutes, was presented by Jackie Nash.

The society's activities over the year were set out and thanks extended to Anthony Houghton-Brown who after many years of service has stepped down from the committee.

13. To Receive a Report from the Tingewick and Water Stratford Horticultural Society

A written report, as attached to these minutes, was presented by Jackie Nash.

The society's activities over the year were set out along with a full itinerary for the coming year. New members are very welcome.

14. To Receive a Report from the Tingewick Patchers

A written report, as attached to these minutes, was presented by Dawn Rogers, Parish Clerk.

The Patchers has grown from 9 members to 43 members who enjoy a variety of outings and speakers. Thanks were extended to the Village Hall Committee for the hiring of the hall and the magnetic roller (to collect up pins)

15. To Receive a Report from the Tingewick Line Dancers

A written report, as attached to these minutes, was presented by Dawn Rogers, Parish Clerk. The Dancers have continued to meet over the year and are grateful to the Village Hall Committee for the installation of wifi which means they no longer have to rely on CD and a CD player for their music.

16. To Receive a Report from Tingewick Café

A written report, as attached to these minutes, was presented by Dawn Rogers, Parish Clerk.

The Café has continued to be a huge success and over the last 12 months have raised and donated £14,752 to a mixture of local charities and organisations and national charities.

The Café will celebrate its 10 year anniversary in September and thanks to the support they have received they have raised £96,000 and donated to 38 different charities/organisations.

17. To Receive a Report from Tingewick Village Walkers

A written report, as attached to these minutes was presented by Dawn Rogers, Parish Clerk. The walkers have continued their varied walks over the year both locally and further afield. New members are always welcome to join.

18. To Receive a Report from the Tingewick Community Park Trust

A written report, as attached to these minutes, was presented by Trisha Lightfoot.

After a long period of inactivity due to the identification of a gas pipe, work has recommenced and delivery of two specially made units are expected in June. The units contain changing rooms, showers, referee's room and kitchen facilities.

There are also plans for a greatly enhanced playground area with new play equipment. A grant application has been made to HS2 and an outcome is awaited.

19. To Receive a Report from Tingewick Book Club

An oral report was presented by Graham Goodrich.

The group was started in 2019 and now has 80 active members meeting once a month in members houses or gardens. The group is so successful a waiting list is to be set up for new members. They usually read fiction with some non-fiction chosen by members. The members enjoy reading books they would otherwise not have. They usually read modern authors but occasionally the classics. They have welcomed local speakers. There is a small subscription fee to cover refreshments at the host's house.

20. To Receive a Report from the Fete Report

A written report, as attached to these minutes, was presented by Trisha Lightfoot.

21. To Receive a Report from Tingewick Football Club

An oral report was presented by Les Ashby

They have seven teams that play in the Oxfordshire and Milton Keynes leagues. They are highly competitive and all have won their respective leagues. They have both boys and girls teams and 140 young people from the village and surrounding villages are involved.

Young people are also supported to obtain their referee qualifications and to referee their games. Thanks extended to Ed Maxwell and Jonny Banisher for keeping the area in good order and thanks to the Recreation Ground Trust for the planned facilities. The field received an outstanding report for its condition from the football foundation.

This year they spent £4,000 on new goal posts and hope that they can be left out over summer for them to be used.

This summer they are repainting the wooden posts and reseeding any bare grass on the field. They will also paint the old storage container to match the new units.

It was noted that parking on match days can be an issue. It is hoped that the proposed new car parking area will assist but there will still be on road parking. Les asked if there are any concerns to contact him.

The Meeting Closed at 8.50pm	
Chairman's Signature	Date