

TINGEWICK PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 27th MAY 2026 AT 7.00 PM

PRESENT: Cllr Hornsey (Chairman)
Cllr Newman
Cllr Maxwell
Cllr Rennie
Cllr Sullivan
Cllr Grant
Dawn Rogers (Parish Clerk)

IN ATTENDANCE: 1 Member of the public

77. Apologies

Cllr Pearson
County Councillor Fealey
County Councillor Mahon

78. Declarations of Interest

No declarations of Interest.

Open Forum – 1 member of the public was in attendance.

Discussion regarding the planning application regarding Deepdown. The member of the public confirmed their support for the application.

79. Election of Chairperson

Cllr Hornsey was proposed by Cllr Rennie Seconded: Cllr Sullivan Elected

80. Election of Vice Chairperson

Cllr Newman was proposed by Cllr Grant Seconded: Cllr Rennie Elected

Cllr Rennie expressed thanks on behalf of the Parish Councilors to Cllr Hornsey and Cllr Newman for all the work they have undertaken on behalf of the Parish Council over the last year.

81. Acceptance of Office

Cllr Hornsey and Councillor Newman accepted office.

82 . Councillors Roles and Responsibilities

The following roles were confirmed.

Lighting - Cllr Hornsey
Planning – Cllr Hornsey
Recreation Ground-Cllr Hornsey

Public Footways, Highways and Street Furniture-Cllr Maxwell
Defibrillator – Cllr Sullivan
Pond -Cllr Newman
Cemetery - Cllr Newman
Rural Footpaths – Cllr Newman
Special Projects – Cllr Newman

Devolved Powers (Grasscutting)-Cllr Rennie
School Playground - Cllr Grant
Recreation Ground Play Equipment – Cllr Grant
Insurance-Cllr Pearson

83. Annual Return 2025/2026 Approval of Annual Governance Statements

a. The reinstatement of the 2024/2025 figures as requested by the internal auditor was noted and approved.

b. The Annual Governance Statements were considered.

It was proposed that the Annual Governance Statements be approved

Proposed: Cllr Hornsey Seconded: Cllr Rennie Approved

84. Annual Return 2025/2026 Approval of Annual Accounting Statements

a. The Annual Accounting Statements were considered.

It was proposed that the Annual Accounting Statements be approved

Proposed: Cllr Hornsey Seconded: Cllr Rennie Approved

b. Commencement of the Exercise of Public Rights

It was agreed that the date for the commencement of the exercise of public rights be Wednesday 3rd June 2026 until Tuesday 14th July 2026.

85. To approve minutes of the meeting held on 22.04.26

Noted that the noticeboard was for the cemetery not the pond. The Clerk confirmed that it has been appropriately recorded in the financial records.

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

Proposed: Cllr Newman Seconded: Cllr Sullivan Approved

86. Matters arising for information and reports only

Item 63-Pond -Bench to be repaired free of charge

Item 63-Cemetery – Expectations for gravediggers have been drafted and approved.

Item-63-Cemetery – The agreed rules have been posted on the notice board

Item 69a-Recreation Field – Callum Anderson MP will open the new playground. Proludic have provided 'goody bags' for the children and the café ladies will provide cream teas.

Item 69d-Discussions ongoing regarding the loan of benches from Admiral Taverns.

Item 72-Village Litter Pick- thanks extended to those that attended, the village looks much better.

Noted that there were a great deal of nitrous oxide canisters. This will be raised with the Community Police team at the Fete.

87. Buckinghamshire County Councillors Reports

The County Councilors attended the Annual Village Meeting yesterday and presented a report

88. Planning

a. PL/26/03683/KA-3A Cross Lane, Tingewick. Removal of 1x cherry tree and 1x sycamore tree as both are extremely close to buildings and represent a significant risk.

No Objections.

b. PL/26/02631/FA - Deepdown Water Stratford Road, Tingewick. Erection of 2 detached dwellings and dropped kerb. **No Objections.**

c. Royal Oak Car Park – the school is liaising with the brewery for use of the car park; the Parish Council and Village Hall are also likewise liaising.

d. Sandpit Hill – thanks extended to Cllr Maxwell for raising the issue in the village.

89. Accounts

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

a. It was proposed that the Transactions be paid.

Proposed: Cllr Hornsey	Seconded: Cllr Newman	Approved
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b. It was proposed that the Budget Report be accepted.

Proposed: Cllr Hornsey	Seconded: Cllr Newman	Approved
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90. Councilors Reports and Items for Future Agenda

Lighting – Cllr Hornsey

Lights were repaired at Buckingham Street and West Well Lane.

Defibrillator – Cllr Sullivan

Checked on 19th and all in order.

The battery is showing as two out of five bars. The Clerk reported that the battery has been ordered but has not yet been received. This will be followed up. **Action: Clerk**

Footways, Highways and Street Furniture-Cllr Maxwell

It was noted that there are some private hedges that encroach onto footways. The clerk will gently remind the residents to cut them back. **Action: Clerk**

Cllr Maxwell, Cllr Hornsey and the Clerk are meeting with the new Local Area Inspector on Monday 1st June (having been postponed from 26.05.26 due to the heat). A schedule has been drawn up for discussion.

Footpaths (rural) – Cllr Newman

Deadmans Walk – work is in progress

The top end of Gorrell Lane has been cut and overhanging branches removed.

Pond and Special Projects-Cllr Newman

The meeting was advised that should the pond dry up it will be cleaned.

Cemetery -Cllr Newman

Work to commence on 7th September for the cutting of the hedges and the remedial work to level the graves.

The gate has been reinstalled.

Recreation Ground Grasscutting-Cllr Rennie

- There will be a cut three days before the Fete.
- Issue with the concrete at the entrance to the car park starting to break up. This will be followed up and hopefully the work will be carried out before the Fete. **Action: Cllr Hornsey**
- It was queried who was responsible for the emptying of the bin at the recreation field. It was recalled that there were discussions with BCC who agreed to add it to their schedule for an addition £100.00 per annum. The Clerk will check whether this agreement was entered into. **Action: Clerk**

Devolved Powers Cllr Rennie

- Noted that the grass cutting is not to the standard expected. Cllr Rennie has spoken to the contractor and has been advised that it is due to the usual cutting machine being out of action and it being a different one. Cllr Rennie is following this up. **Action: Cllr Rennie**

Recreation Ground Play Area- Cllr Grant

All in order and is very well used.

The Clerk will complete the transfer of the manuals for the equipment to Cllr Grant by a data stick as they are too large to email. **Action: Clerk**

School Playground – Cllr Hornsey reported on behalf of Cllr Pearson

Licence Renewal - It was noted that the Parish Council takes responsibility for all the expenses and safety inspections, yet it is not available to the public during school hours. A meeting will be arranged with the school to discuss potential options. **Action: Clerk**

The Clerk will advise BCC as to the delay regarding the completion of the licence. **Action: Clerk**

Recreation Ground -Cllr Hornsey

As below at Item 91.

Insurance-Cllr Pearson

Cllr Pearson is in the process of including the new play equipment assets to the current policy.

91. Recreation Ground Development/S106 Funds

- a) **S106 Money** – Agreed that the Changing Room Project has completed. The balance of the monies will return to the 'pot'. Once the balance remaining has been confirmed the Parish Council will apply for further funds to be used towards "Improvements, modernisation and/or refurbishment to Richard Fenemore Recreation Ground, Water Stratford Road, Tingewick'.

Quotes will be obtained to reinstate the Trim Trail.

Action: Cllr Rennie

- b) **Benches** – A quote to repair the benches was received in the sum of £500.

Due to the sum, it is not mandatory to obtain three quotes. It was therefore proposed that the quote be accepted.

Proposed: Cllr Hornsey Seconded: Cllr Newman Agreed

It was agreed that any unsafe benches will be removed to ensure safety.

- c) **Footpath to the field** - The recreation field is being used more with the new play equipment, which is welcomed. However, concern raised at the lack of footpath to the field and safety for those walking. It was noted that the Parish Council obtained a quote for a footpath at the commencement of the Recreation Field project, at that time the cost was in the region of £64,000 and it was estimated that it will have increased to around £100,000 at the current time.
- The potential of an MVAS to be installed in the area. Cllr Hornsey advised that he applied to the police fund but was refused. The fund opens again in September 2026 and a further application will be made. **Action: Cllr Hornsey**
 - In the short term we can obtain a sign to warn drivers of the danger of children playing in the area. **Action: Cllr Hornsey**
 - This will be raised with Calum Anderson MP when he opens the play area on 6th June 2026. **Action: Cllr Rennie**
 - Enquiries will also be made with HS2 regarding the potential of funding for the pathway to the recreation field. **Action: Clerk**

92. Village Fete (20th June 2026)

Update received.

Help sought for the set up on Friday before and on Fete day.

Mr Barrett is again allowing his field to be used for parking.

Some valuable raffle prizes have been donated, and they will be auctioned by Dave Patridge.

93. Parish Council Logo

A revised draft was considered and approved. This will be converted to an electronic format for use on the Parish Council's correspondence.

94. Best Kept Village Competition 2026

A great deal of work has been carried out in readiness for judging in June/July.

The Sand bags and sign by pub to be moved.

Action: Cllr Hornsey and Cllr Rennie

The redundant sign by recreation field to be removed.

Action: Cllr Maxwell

95. Correspondence

a. Roundwood School-Emptying of litter bin.

It was noted that bin is the responsibility of Buckinghamshire County Council as it is on their land. If the bin is not being emptied. It is likely that the bin collection crew are unable to access the bin due to the gate being locked. Clerk to respond. **Action: Clerk**

b. Buckinghamshire County Council-Potential s106 funding for Sandpit Hill Development.

It was noted that if funding is received the footway to the recreation field will be a priority project.

The Clerk will respond to BCC advising accordingly.

Action: Clerk

96. Date of next meeting:

The next meeting will take place on **Wednesday 24th June 2026 at 7.00pm** in the Village Hall, Tingewick.

The meeting closed at

Chairman's Signature..... Date