

TIVERTON AND TILSTONE FEARNALL

PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 9 March 2010 at Tiverton Village Hall, commencing at 7.30pm.

Present:

Parish Councillors Farrall (Chairman), Ibbotson (Vice Chairman), Cheshire, Evans and Wright. Parish Clerk. 1 Member of the Public.

Open Forum: Steve Armitage advised that he recently attended a three day “Transition Chester Workshop” in Chester. This focused on measures to reduce energy consumption and foster community spirit. He suggested that CWAC arrange a similar event in a rural location to ensure that the aims of the initiative also reach the wider community. CWAC has agreed to take this forward and a Workshop is to take place at Tiverton Village Hall at a date to be agreed. Mr Armitage asked if the Parish Council would pay the cost of Village Hall Hire, namely £10. This was agreed.

Steve Armitage advised that the Canal Preservation Society is looking to place a new information board, highlighting the historical significance of the canal, in the vicinity of the Iron Lock. He asked that the Parish Council endorse the placement of the new board. This was agreed.

Steve Armitage advised that twelve new Kissing Gates have recently been placed around the village. Not all of the Gates have been sited as previously recommended by the Parish Council in a survey undertaken early in 2009. It was agreed that the Parish Council would only pay for the placement of the nine Gates that have been sited in accordance with the survey. **Action Point 1 – Parish Clerk to note in readiness for receipt of Invoice from CWAC.**

1. Apologies for Absence: Apologies were received from Cllr. Byrd and CWAC Councillors Ritchie and Wright.

2. Declarations of Interest: There were no Declarations of Interest made.

3. Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday 12 January 2010: The Minutes were unanimously approved (Proposed by Cllr. Evans and Seconded by Cllr. Ibbotson) and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

4. Matters Arising:- Planning Permission Grant Queries – The Parish Clerk advised the following. a). Stone Cottage – CWAC have written to the Landowner advising the breach of condition and confirm that a degree of tidying has since been undertaken. They will further monitor the situation. b). 2 Townfield Lane – CWAC advise that

there has been no breach of condition as the development has not yet been commenced. c).Hilly Bank – CWAC advise that the gating erected is permitted and that detailed Planning Permission is not required. Comment was made that the unpermitted extension to the rear garden has not been vacated as instructed by CWAC.

Action Point 2 – Parish Clerk to advise Les Smith at CWAC.

Gritting Routes - Cllr. Cheshire advised that CWAC have confirmed that both Cribb Lane and Red Hill will be added to the Winter Gritting Routes.

Proposed Erection of Village Sign – Cllr. Cheshire advised that he has met with the local Blacksmith, Peter Willis. Mr Willis is to provide drawings of the suggested structure form and design, along with a written Cost Quotation. These will be ready in time for the next Parish Council Meeting. Estimated cost is put in the region of £1,500, including a weather-proof coating. **Action Point 3 – Cllr. Cheshire to provide an update at the next Parish Council Meeting.**

Village Entry Signs – Cllr. Cheshire advised that the design/wording and locations have now been fully agreed with Jamie Barron at CWAC. It is anticipated that the new signs will be put in place in the near future. **Action Point 4 – Cllr. Cheshire to provide an update at the next Parish Council Meeting.**

Earlier Meeting with Nicola McKeand from CWAC regarding Local Service Issues – Nothing further to report.

Ongoing Damage to Lorry Turning Circle – Cllr. Cheshire advised that, following a site meeting on 9 February 2010, the following measures are to be implemented. The Overheight Warning Sign will be relocated 70 yards past the turning for Gardenhurst with the wording amended to “Turning Point 170m ahead”. Two large signs will be placed on the southbound A51 just after the Tarporley Road junction to warn of the low bridge on the A49 – this will give vehicles the option of going straight on at The Red Fox. New Warning signs will be erected at the A49/A51 (Red Fox) junction. The existing turning point to the north side of Huxley Lane will be widened by 5m to allow additional space for Commercial Vehicles to turn around. The above work is scheduled to be commenced on 10 March 2010. It was commented that in future cars should, ideally, park on just one side of the northern turning area to ensure that Commercial Vehicles can make full use of the wider entry point. **Action Point 5 – Parish Clerk to write to the Secretary of Tiverton Bridge Club asking that Club members be advised of the need to park on one side only of the Northern Turning Area.**

Electoral Boundaries – Cllr. Ibbotson confirmed that the Parish Councils’ preference for a Tattenhall Ward, serviced by one Councillor, has been communicated to the Boundaries Commission. The Boundaries Commission is set to publish its’ final recommendations in July 2010.

Revised Speed Limits on A49 – Cllr. Cheshire advised that the proposed introduction of a 30mph area through the Village will not now be implemented. Based on national guidelines CWAC are looking solely at the placement of Junction Warning Signs either side of the Huxley Lane turning, as they feel this is the primary area of danger.

5. Homewatch and Police Report: Roger Blake was unable to attend but advised beforehand that there were no major issues to report.

6. Planning Issues: 10/10367/FUL - Two storey rear extension to 4 Hand Green, Pudding Lane, Tiverton. No objections raised. **Action Point 6 – Cllr. Farrall to advise CWAC accordingly**

10/10151/EXT – Notice from CWAC of Continuation of Permission relating to extensions to first floor, ground floor and garage. Gardenhurst Cottage, Gardenhurst, Tiverton.

Wharton Lock Farm. It was noted that Horses had been sighted in the Barn in contravention of the conditions stipulated by CWAC when Planning Permission was initially granted. **Action Point 7 – Parish Clerk to advise Les Smith at CWAC.**

7. Correspondence:

- a) E-mail dated 26 February 2010 from CWAC relating to Open Space Assessment and Audit Drop In Session at County Hall, Chester on 12 March 2010.
- b) E-mail dated 25 February 2010 from ChALC relating to Training Sessions in April and May 2010.
- c) Notice of Broxton Community Forum being held at Barbour Institute, Tattenhall on Wednesday 31 March 2010.
- d) Vale Royal Disability Newsletter dated March 2010.
- e) Various Homewatch News Bulletins.
- f) ChALC February Update.
- g) Letter dated 3 March 2010 from ChALC advising that Chalky White is leaving the organisation on 19 March 2010.
- h) ChALC Newsletter dated March 2010.
- i) Local Strategic Partnership – Briefing Note of Meeting held on 25 February 2010.
- j) E-mail dated 5 March 2010 from CWAC advising that The Overview and Scrutiny Committee will meet at Tarvin Community Centre on Thursday 18 March 2010.

8. Financial Report and Accounts for Payment: The Financial Report dated 9 March 2010 was unanimously approved (Proposed by Cllr. Cheshire. Seconded by Cllr. Evans). The Parish Council currently has cash balances totalling £7,615.17 Credit. £4,077.28 of this sum is held on an immediate access interest bearing account. There are no budgetary concerns arising.

The following Payments were authorised:

Harold Withe – March 2010 - £218.05, less Income Tax. April 2010 - £174.44, less Income Tax.

Phil Sanders – March and April 2010 - £113.37, less Income Tax.

Phil Sanders - £23.73 Expenses.

Action Point 8 – Parish Clerk to prepare Year End Accounts in readiness for Internal Audit by Gordon Forsyth.

10. Any Other Business: Cllr. Cheshire advised that CWAC Cllr. Neil Ritchie is shortly to become the new Chairman of the Shadow Authority. All Parish Councillors wished to record their congratulations to Cllr. Ritchie.

Cllr. Cheshire advised that CWAC Cllr. Mike Jones has recently been awarded the runner-up position in the prestigious Local Council Leader of the Year judging. All Parish Councillors wished to record their congratulations to Cllr. Jones.

Cllr. Ibbotson commented that Nigel Worthington of the Local Ambulance Trust had recently expressed disappointment that a request to meet the Parish Council, and outline the role of the Immediate Response Ambulances, had not been taken up. He also commented that other Parish Councils in the surrounding area had made small cash donations towards the upkeep of the service. Cllr. Cheshire agreed to contact other Parish Councils to determine what course of action they had taken, including the provision of donations. **Action Point 9 – Cllr. Cheshire to provide an update at the next Parish Council Meeting.**

10. Date & Time of Next Meeting: Tuesday 18 May 2010 at Tiverton Village Hall, commencing at 7.30pm.

The Meeting Closed at 8.32pm.