

TIVERTON AND TILSTONE FEARNALL

PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 8 January 2013 at Tiverton Chapel Hall, commencing at 7.30pm.

Present: Parish Councillors Ibbotson (Chairman), Cheshire (Vice Chairman), Farrall, Byrd, Hocknell, Wright and Turner. Parish Clerk. 1 Member of the Public.

Open Forum: Steve Armitage advised that the Village Hall Management Committee has lodged a Funding Application with WREN in respect of the previously outlined refurbishment plans. A final decision is anticipated from WREN in early March 2013.

Steve Armitage advised that a number of organisations, including CWAC, have expressed concerns over the security status of the Village Web Site. A number of Virus Checking Software Packages are detecting problems and advising against downloading pages from the Site. Tests will be undertaken to try and identify/isolate the problem. If unsuccessful it will be necessary to switch Hosting Company. It was agreed that up to £80 can be spent on Annual Hosting Fees without further reference to the Parish Council.

1. Apologies for Absence: None.

2. Declarations of Interest: None.

3. Minutes of the Meeting held on 13 November 2012:- Were unanimously approved (Proposed by Cllr. Cheshire. Seconded by Cllr. Ibbotson) and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

4. Matters Arising: Bus Services - The Parish Clerk has spoken with CWAC regarding concerns over the future running of the C83 (to Chester) and K56 (to Nantwich) Services. Cheshire East Council has agreed to continue subsidising the services until the end of the current fiscal year. Support beyond that point is subject to further review. CWAC do not currently provide any subsidies. Operation of the services beyond March 2013 is a matter for the Operator to determine on a commercial basis.

Footpath 16 – Richard Ankers, the CWAC Footpath Officer, has visited Mr Houghtons' land and confirmed that the current gates are as agreed in Autumn 2012. New Gates are due to be installed post April 2013.

Business Advertising Sign at The Gables, Whitchurch Road – the Occupier was instructed to remove the sign by 11 December 2012, or submit an Application for Retention. The sign has been removed.

New Code of Conduct – the Parish Clerk confirmed that all relevant paperwork is now complete.

Delivery of CWAC Produced Newspapers/Information Material - CWAC have been further advised that not all deliveries are being made. Selina Simpson is to take forward with the Distributors.

Signage at Junction of A51 and Tilstone Bank Lane – the Parish Clerk confirmed that he had taken the matter up with Kay Parry at CWAC Highways. A cleaning exercise was promised, but has not yet been undertaken. **Action Point 1 – the Parish Clerk will return to Kay Parry for an update.**

Traffic Activated Speed Sign – Cllr. Cheshire advised that the sign, which will indicate vehicle speed and, if appropriate a “Slow Down” message, is set for installation during Q1 2013.

5. Village/Neighbourhood Plan: Cllr. Cheshire advised that discussions have continued with Beeston Parish Council regarding the possible creation of a Joint Parishes Neighbourhood Plan. Beeston Parish Council meets shortly and will discuss the proposal in more detail, advising Cllr. Cheshire of its’ views. If the Joint Document option is to be taken forward representatives from the two Parish Councils will meet to progress matters, the first stage being to submit an Application for a Neighbourhood Plan Area to CWAC. Ideally it is hoped that a Draft Plan can be in place and available for independent scrutiny by Q4 2013. **Action Point 2 – Cllr. Cheshire to keep all Councillors advised of progress.** Burwardsley Parish Council has declined the opportunity to also be a partner in the joint Plan.

6. Planning Applications: 12/04805/FUL – Hope Cottage, Huxley Lane, Tiverton – Detached garage, carport and home office. No objections. Permission subsequently granted.

12/05116/FUL – Fairhaven, Huxley Lane, Tiverton – new dwelling and detached garage. Objection lodged on grounds of over-development.

12/05045/FUL and 12/05051 – Caravan Site in OS Field No 73, Huxley Lane.

Objections raised relating to extending the Park and installing grasscrete throughout the site. Notice subsequently received confirming Permission Granted in respect of 12/05051/FUL (Grasscrete on existing site only).

12/05386 – Holly Cottage, Nantwich Road – conversion of detached garage to ancillary granny annexe. No objections.

12/04495/FUL – 2 Mill Cottages, Tilstone Bank Road – two storey side extension and single storey rear. Permission Granted.

12/02981/OUT – Beeston Castle Public House (in neighbouring Parish) – Demolition of existing building and development of the site for 24 residential dwellings, including layout and means of access. Whilst the Parish Council was not directly consulted on

the revised plans, it had previously made its' objections known in writing. The Development was subsequently approved by a CWAC Planning Committee in December 2012.

7. Correspondence:

- a). Letter dated 15 December 2012 from Derek Marshall relating to local Bus Services (subject is covered under Open Forum).
- c). Chester RSPB Group – Flyer advertising Winter 2012 and Spring 2013 programme of Meetings.
- d). Supply of Bus Timetables for Route 84.
- e). Communication dated 2 January 2013 from Mr M Davies relating to the new Waste Collection Service. Mr Davies has drafted a letter to CWAC expressing his dissatisfaction at the new arrangements and asked for feedback from the Parish Council before posting. It was agreed that Cllr. Cheshire will return to Mr Davies commenting that the Parish Council, whilst not supportive of all the points made, acknowledges that teething problems have arisen since the implementation of the revised Waste Collection/Recycling system. It was agreed that the Parish Council will give consideration to writing to CWAC on the subject during Q2 2013, in the light of more experience of the system in operation.

8. Financial Report and Accounts for Payment

The Financial Report dated 13 November 2012 was unanimously approved. (Proposed by Cllr. Farrall. Seconded by Cllr. Cheshire).

The Parish Council currently has cash balances totalling £3,900.02 Credit, of which £3,580.65 is held on Deposit Account.

There are no issues of concern as regards budgetary targets being met.

Previously approved expenditure, totalling £1,100, for the Vehicle Activated Sign and towards Village Hall Refurbishment Costs will be met from Reserves.

The Draft Budget for 2013/14 was unanimously approved (Proposed by Cllr. Farrall. Seconded by Cllr. Cheshire). Precept set at £2,980.00 (up 3%).

Action Point 3 – Parish Clerk to submit Precept Request Form to CWAC by end of January 2013.

Accounts for Payment:-

Phil Sanders – Clerks' Gross Salary - £113.37, for both January and February 2013.

Phil Sanders – Clerks' Expenses - £19.50.

Moulton PC – share of stationery costs - £6.32.

E Wright - tree shelters and stakes - £40.00.

9. Any Other Business

Cllr. Turner commented that the footpaths adjacent to the A49 are covered in leaves and in need of clearing. **Action Point 4 – Parish Clerk to ask CWAC Streetscene to take appropriate action.**

Cllr. Turner remarked that there are numerous potholes appearing on Huxley Lane, with surface water dispersal also a regular problem adjacent to Meadowside. **Action Point 5 – Parish Clerk to advise CWAC Highways.**

Cllr. Ibbotson advised that there is regular roadside flooding on sections of Huxley Lane in Brassey Green. **Action Point 6 – Parish Clerk to raise the matter with CWAC Highways.**

Cllr. Ibbotson advised that he recently met with David Linton from Deeside Hockey Club. The Hockey Club is looking to upgrade the existing floodlighting and improve pitch surfaces, including the provision of a new practice pitch. A Planning Application may well be lodged in the near future.

Cllr. Farrall commented that, whilst the Hockey Club does not discourage dog walking on it's land, fouling is a regular problem. It was agreed that the Hockey Club be offered the opportunity to highlight the problem in a future edition of the Village Newsletter. **Action Point 7 – Cllr. Ibbotson to take forward with representatives from the Hockey Club.**

10. Date & Time of Next Meeting: Tuesday 12 March 2013 at Tiverton Village Hall, commencing at 7.30pm.

The Meeting Closed at 8.31pm.