

TIVERTON AND TILSTONE FEARNALL

PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 11 March 2014 at Tiverton Village Hall, commencing at 7.30pm.

Present: Parish Councillors Ibbotson (Chairman), Cheshire, Turner, Hocknell, Wright and Mould. Parish Clerk. 3 members of the Public.

Open Forum: Roger Blake enquired whether the Parish Council had received notification of a Planning Application relating to 2 Townfield Lane. He was advised that to date no further Application has been referred for comment.

Mr Blake asked whether the Parish Council could again contact CWAC Highways to request improvements to the road surface along Huxley Lane. Cllr. Ibbotson confirmed that letters had been sent at regular intervals over the last year requesting a raft of improvements. All of these requests have been declined on cost grounds. It was agreed to write a further letter to CWAC Cllr. Jones seeking his input. **Action Point 1 – Cllr. Ibbotson and Parish Clerk to formulate an appropriate letter.**

Steve Armitage outlined further problems that are being experienced by some Internet Users when trying to access the current Village Web Site. This is a repeat of the Internet Security issue that first arose last year, with one specific brand of Internet Security Software recommending that the Web Site be avoided for security reasons. With a solution to the problem not clear, Mr Armitage suggested that the Parish Council invest in a new Web Site. He felt that expenditure on the Web Site would be preferable to the provision of a new Notice Board. To assist the Parish Council in its' deliberations Mr Armitage was asked to obtain Quotes for the creation of a new Web Site.

1. Apologies for Absence: Apologies were received from Cllr. Farrall. Not present – Cllr. Byrd.

2. Declarations of Interest: None.

3. Minutes of the Meeting held on 14 January 2014:- Were unanimously approved (Proposed by Cllr. Cheshire. Seconded by Cllr. Wright) and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

4. Matters Arising: Parking Spaces on A49/Huxley Lane Turning Circle – Cllrs. Ibbotson and Cheshire met with CWAC Highways on 30 January 2014 to discuss the

partial removal of Double Yellow Lines (DYLs) on the southern section of the Turning Circle and the possible introduction of defined parking spaces in their place. CWAC Highways will look to erase part of the DYLs, but will not cover the cost of parking space markings. Further confirmatory advices are awaited from CWAC Highways.

Advertising Signs at The Gables, Whitchurch Road – CWAC Planning were again asked to check the Signs, which are still in place. **Action Point 2 – to be included in the letter to CWAC Cllr. Jones referred to in AP1.**

Fence at the rear of Cedar Bank, bordering Footpath 3 – the Parish Clerk confirmed that the poor state of the fencing has been referred to CWAC, who subsequently wrote to the property owner seeking repairs by 10 March 2014 at the latest. CWAC will attend to any follow up action that may be required.

5. Beeston, Tiverton and Tilstone Fearnall Neighbourhood Plan: Cllr. Cheshire and the Parish Clerk provided an updating Report.

The Presentation Evening on Saturday 1 February 2014 at 6.30pm in Tiverton Village Hall – outlining the Neighbourhood Plan Process – was a great success with c.40 residents in attendance. The five Working Groups covering Development, Roads and Traffic, Environment, Security and Community are now active and making progress in identifying the key issues for inclusion within the Plan Document. The introductory pages to the Plan and the overview of the Survey Results are complete. The aim now is to draw together the Draft Plan with a view to seeking an overview from CWAC Spatial Planning once complete.

6. Planning Applications/Issues: 14/00409/FUL. Erection of 3 Timber Buildings at Field Cottage, Moss Lane. Objections lodged with CWAC Planning and continuing complaints from neighbours after previous planning related problems.

It was noted that the Planning Inspectorate turned aside the Appeal against Planning Permission Refusal at Fairhaven, Huxley Lane, Tiverton (Planning App 13/00099/FUL).

It was also noted that Application 13/04149/OUT, relating to 103 dwellings at the current Beeston Cattle Market site, was recently approved by CWAC Planning Committee.

7. Condition of Fencing adjacent to A49/Huxley Lane Turning Circle: CWAC Highways have again repaired the elephant fencing. The apex of the turns has been brought inwards to help widen the angle of approach for HGVs.

8. Notice Board Provision: the Parish Clerk outlined a number of options for a new Notice Board adjacent to the War Memorial. Cllrs. Turner and Ibbotson will peruse the options available. It was unanimously agreed (Proposed by Cllr. Wright. Seconded

by Cllr. Ibbotson) to authorise a payment of up to £700 to cover the cost of a new Notice Board.

9. Correspondence:

- a). E-mail dated 10 February 2014 from CWAC relating to proposed Speed Reductions on the A49 through Tiverton and Beeston. Replied to on 17 February 2014. The Parish Council's preferred option would be to see a 30mph limit in place through both villages from Gardenhurst to Dene Bank. The current suggestion is for 40mph from the entrance to Gardenhurst, reducing to 30mph after the Huxley Lane Junction through to Dene Bank.
- b). Letter from the Police and Crime Commissioner for Cheshire relating to a meeting with Parish and Town Council representatives on Wednesday 19 March 2014. Noted.
- c). Letter dated 17 February 2014 from CWAC relating to a Local Councils Assembly at Chester Town Hall on Wednesday 26 March 2014. Noted.
- d). Letter dated 12 February 2014 from CWAC relating to Future Arrangements for Town/Parish Council Elections. From 1 April 2014 Town/Parish Councils will be asked to make a financial contribution to election costs. Noted.
- e). E-mail dated 24 February 2014 from Shropshire Union Canal Conservation and Design Team regarding the formation of Area Panels. **Action Point 3 – Parish Clerk to respond agreeing with the proposal to create awareness of the groups' activities via leaflets.**
- f). Entry Forms for Community Pride Competition 2014 as supplied by Cheshire Community Action. Noted.
- g). Clerks and Councils Direct March 2014 edition. Noted.

10. Financial Report and Accounts for Payment

The Financial Report dated 11 March 2014 was unanimously approved. (Proposed by Cllr. Cheshire. Seconded by Cllr. Turner).

The Parish Council currently has cash balances totalling £9,019.51 Credit, of which £3,101.80 is held on Deposit Account. Neighbourhood Plan ring-fenced monies included in the total balance currently amount to £5,820.00.

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

Payments Approved:-

Phil Sanders – Clerks' Gross Salary March 2014 - £237.12, including 12 hours approved additional time on Neighbourhood Plan matters.

Phil Sanders – Clerks' Gross Salary April 2014 - £117.12.

Phil Sanders – Expenses (Nov 2013 to March 2014) - £45.00.

ChALC – Training Fees (Cllr. Mould) - £60.00

Cheshire Community Action – Annual Subscription - £20.00

Retrospective Approval:-

Office Essentials – NP Printing Costs - £72.59

Cllr. J Farrell - NP Buffet Costs - £161.01

Tiverton Village Hall – Room Hire for NP Meeting - £35.00

Action Point 4 – Parish Clerk to process payments and update financial records.

9. Any Other Business:

Cllr. Wright commented that there used to be a Weight Limit on Huxley Lane, with appropriate signage in place. This was removed several years ago as it was no longer considered necessary/appropriate. **Action Point 5 – to be mentioned in letter to CWAC Cllr Jones referred to in APs 1 + 2.**

10. Date & Time of Next Meeting and AGM: Tuesday 13 May 2014 at Tiverton Village Hall, commencing at 7.30pm.

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 8.38pm.
