

TIVERTON AND TILSTONE FEARNALL

PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 13 May 2014 at Tiverton Village Hall, commencing at 7.30pm.

Present: Parish Councillors Ibbotson (Chairman), Cheshire (Vice Chairman), Farrall, Hocknell, Mould, Wright and Turner. Parish Clerk. 4 members of the Public.

Open Forum: Steve Armitage commented that following initial concerns, as a result of earlier ploughing, the footpaths across the fields at the top of Townfield Lane are now in good order.

Jean Toyn commented on the poor condition of an Ash Tree on Townfield Lane. She will report the Tree to the Tree Officer at CWAC.

Roger Blake asked whether the Parish Council has any recourse following the decision to approve the revised access to 2 Townfield Lane. He was advised that the Planning Permission Grant cannot be appealed against. He has concerns that the new access may increase rain water run-off - the Plans submitted do not indicate any changes to the current road levels.

Jean Toyn asked whether the Parish Council would support the reintroduction of the "Village Day" in 2015. This was confirmed. Mrs Toyn will take matters forward, seeking volunteers to help with the organisation.

1. Apologies for Absence: Cllr. Byrd and CWAC Cllr. Jones.

2. Declarations of Interest: None.

3. Election of Chairman and Vice Chairman: Cllr. Ibbotson was elected as Chairman for the year 2014/15 (Proposed by Cllr. Hocknell. Seconded by Cllr. Mould).

Cllr. Cheshire was elected as Vice Chairman for the year 2014/15 (Proposed by Cllr. Ibbotson. Seconded by Cllr. Wright).

Declarations of Acceptance of Office were duly signed.

4. Minutes of the Meeting held on 11 March 2014:- Were unanimously approved (Proposed by Cllr. Wright. Seconded by Cllr. Turner) and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

5. Matters Arising: Huxley Lane Road Surface – Cllr. Ibbotson wrote to CWAC Cllr. Jones regarding the poor condition of Huxley Lane. Cllr. Jones responded by acknowledging that the road is in need of repair and that it is on the CWAC List of Prospective Works. Subject to funding being in place it is hoped that some of the more pressing work will be undertaken during the current Financial Year.

Advertising Signs at The Gables, Whitchurch Road – the signs are still in place.

Action Point 1 – Parish Clerk to again raise the issue with CWAC Planning.

6. Neighbourhood Plan Update: Cllr. Cheshire provided an updating Report. Most of the Working Groups have now prepared Draft Sections for inclusion in the overall Plan Document. It is now a question of drawing these together and producing a Draft Plan that can be submitted to CWAC Spatial Planning for initial overview/feedback. Cllr. Cheshire will look to arrange a Meeting of Working Group Co-ordinators in late June to move matters forward. **Action Point 2 – Cllr. Cheshire/Parish Clerk to provide an update at the next Parish Council Meeting.**

7. Planning Applications: 14/01761/CAT – reduce Crown of Copper Beech Tree by 20% - Tiverton Lodge, Huxley Lane. No objections.

14/01550/PMB – change of use from agricultural building to dwelling – Building adjacent to Daisy Bank Cottage, Huxley Lane. No record can be traced of the Parish Council being consulted on this Application. **Action Point 3 – Cllr. Cheshire to investigate.**

14/01571/OUT – two storey detached house with garage and access off existing courtyard driveway – land at corner of Nantwich Road and Tilstone Bank Road. No objections.

CWAC Planning has confirmed Approval for the following Applications:-

14/01019/FUL – detached garage – The Shippon, Mill Lane.

14/00975/FUL – single storey rear extension – Stocks Bank Cottage, Huxley Lane.

14/00976/LBC – single storey rear extension (demolition of existing structure) – Stocks Bank Cottage, Huxley Lane.

13/04715/FUL – new access – 2 Townfield Lane.

8. Community Governance Review – confirmation of outcome: Shortly after the last Parish Council Meeting a Notice was received indicating that the Community Governance Review Committee was set to discuss a recommendation to merge Beeston and Tiverton and Tilstone Fearnall Parish Councils. Both Councils discussed the merits of the recommendation and decided that there was no desire to see the merger come to fruition. This view was passed on to the Review Committee who, at a subsequent Meeting, agreed to hold any further talks on merger in abeyance until no earlier than 2018.

9. Notice Board and Updated Web Site Provision: Cllr. Mould outlined various options for a new Parish Council Notice Board. His view is that a wooden structure

would be more in keeping with the local environment – probable cost in the region of £6/700. This was supported by other Councillors. **Action Point 4 – Cllr. Mould to undertake further research and provide an update at the next Parish Council Meeting.**

Steve Armitage (invited to speak by the Chairman) suggested that the Parish Council consider what it requires a new, updated Web Site “to do” before looking to commission any work. It was agreed that the Site should become more community focused, giving local interest groups the opportunity to post news items and details of forthcoming events. Mr Armitage will undertake further research, including liaising with local groups, and provide an update at the next Parish Council Meeting. Initial indications are that a revamp of the site will cost between £350 and £550.

10. Correspondence:

- a). CWAC Notice re forthcoming Community Resilience Workshops at Wyvern House, Winsford. A Councillor will look to attend one of the Workshops on either 11 or 18 June. **Action Point 5 – attending Councillor to reserve a space as detailed on the Notice provided.**
- b). ChALC Notice re a forthcoming Workshop covering Digital Mapping at Cotebrook. Noted.
- c). CWAC Consultation on Local Plan (Part 2) Land Allocations and Detailed Policies. Noted.
- d). Notice from Cheshire Police re Commissioner’s Crime Prevention Fund. Noted.
- e). Tarporley War Memorial Hospital Newsletter dated Spring 2014. Noted.
- f). Clerks and Councils Direct Journal dated May 2014. Noted.

10. Financial Report and Accounts for Payment

The Financial Report dated 13 May 2014 was unanimously approved. (Proposed by Cllr. Ibbotson. Seconded by Cllr. Mould).

The Parish Council currently has cash balances totalling £11,030.55 Credit, of which £3,102.41 is held on Deposit Account. There are no issues of concern as regards budget targets being met. £5,401.50 is ring-fenced for Neighbourhood Plan activity.

The Parish Council reviewed the Income and Expenditure Statement for the year ending 31 March 2014 and confirmed acceptance of the figures. The Annual Internal Audit is currently being undertaken. The Parish Council confirmed that, subject to the Internal Audit not revealing the need for any adjustments, Sections 1 and 2 of the Annual Audit Certificate can be signed by the Chairman and Parish Clerk and posted to the External Auditors (BDO LLP).

Accounts for Payment:-

Phil Sanders – Clerks’ Gross Salary - £117.12, for both May and June 2014.

Phil Sanders – Clerks’ Expenses - £18.00.

ChALC – Annual Subscription - £130.20.

Tiverton Village Hall – Room Hire Fees - £30.00

Tiverton District Garden Club – OHP hire - £10.00
ChALC – Training (R Mould) - £30.00 (net of Credit Note for £30.00)
ChALC – Planning Seminar (G Ibbotson) - £20.00
S Armitage – Web Server Fees - £35.99
Tiverton Methodist Church – Room Hire - £20.00

10. Any Other Business

Picking up on comments included in last year's Village Survey regarding visible Police presence, Cllr. Mould has made contact with the local PCSO (John Hurst) and outlined the villagers' feedback. It was suggested that PCSO Hurst, or a colleague, may wish to meet with the Parish Council and discuss Local Policing. **Action Point 6 – Cllr. Mould to liaise with the Police with a view to arranging a discussion prior to the July Parish Council Meeting. Parish Clerk and Chairman to be advised whether the Meeting to is be held.**

Cllr. Ibbotson passed copies of the Chairman's Report for 2013/14 to all Councillors present. The Report will be published in full in the next edition of the Village Newsletter.

11. Date & Time of Next Meeting: Tuesday 8 July 2014 at Tiverton Village Hall, commencing at 7.30pm. 30 minutes earlier if the meeting with the Police is arranged.

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 9.02pm.