# TIVERTON & TILSTONE FEARNALL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of Tiverton & Tilstone Fearnall Parish Council held on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2017 at 7.30 pm in Tiverton Village Hall.

#### Present:

Councillor Ibbotson (in the Chair)
Cllrs Byrd, Cheshire, Hocknell, Mould, Thomson, Turner

## 1) 057/16/17 - Discussion with PC / PCSO re Local Issues

PC Ged Gigg attended the meeting. He asked if any concerns had been expressed about the hunt causing traffic congestion or "churning" up grass verges. Members reported that none had

PC Gigg reported that there had been some farm thefts and poaching on the edge of the area and reminded everyone to remain vigilant and report anything suspicious

He also reported that most of the 21 Parish Councils that he covers have joined Operation Shield and had the property marking done.

#### 2) 58/16/17 – Open Forum

It was reported that the fence was still down along the footpath adjacent to Cedar Bank.

Action Point 1. Clerk to write to the owners of the property

Mr Armitage reported that he didn't have a set of up to date accounts on the website.

Action Point 2. Clerk to supply ASAP

# 3) 59/16/17 - Apologies for Absence

Apologies for Absence were received from Ward Councillor Mike Jones who had another commitment.

#### 4) 60/16/17 - Declarations of Interest

There where no Declaration of Interest

# 5) 61/16/17 – Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2016 were unanimously agreed to be a true record and were signed by the Chairman.

#### 6) 62/16/17 - Matters Arising Other Than Covered on This Agenda

<u>Highways Matters</u> - Cllr Mould reported that the new 30 mph indicator had now been installed. There was a little confusion as Cllr Mould had been given two different timescales for when the review of this would be carried out. He would contact Highways and clarify.

Discussion was held about the situation at the Red Fox traffic lights in regard to the speed limit being lowered and pedestrians crossing. The Parish Council would be required to contribute to the cost of implementing a new speed limit and could not meet that cost at present. It was asked how much of the area was in Tarporley Parish and whether they would contribute. Thanks were expressed to Cllr Mould for his work in this matter

<u>Cheshire West & Chester Planning Protocol and Chester Canal Conservation Area Consultation</u> – The Clerk read out the Council's responses and confirmed that they had been submitted to the relevant bodies.

# 7) 63/16/17 - Planning

Planning Application 16/05556/CAT – Tiverton Cottage, Huxley Lane. Members of the Council considered this and agreed that they had no objections to the application

There had been no planning applications that had required the planning committee to meet so there was no report.

It was noted that the application 16/02329/FUL – Walnut Tree Farm, had been withdrawn and that application 16/03376/FUL – Lake Cottage, Nantwich Road had been approved.

Discussion was held about the planning matters at Redhill Farm. It was agreed to monitor the situation and continue to liaise with the officers at the planning department.

#### 8) 64/16/17 – Neighbourhood Plan

Cllr Cheshire reported that due to parish boundary changes some land from Tarporley Parish and Rushton with Eaton Parish had now become part of Tiverton & Tilstone Fearnall Parish. In order that these be included in the Neighbourhood Plan area Cheshire West and Chester Council had had to write to both Parishes and request permission for this. These permissions had now been received.

Cllr Cheshire also reported that he had completed the Basic Conditions Statement and the Consultation Statement. These were now ready for formatting and then would be distributed Once this was completed the Neighbourhood Plan and its supporting documents would be submitted to Cheshire West and Chester Council for the Regulation 15 publicity period.

Thanks were expressed to Cllr Mould and Mr Armitage for their help with the supporting documents and to Cllr Cheshire for all the work he had done on the Neighbourhood Plan.

## 9) 65/16/17 - Highways

The Clerk reported that she had logged the damaged sign on Pudding Lane and the pot hole on the running lane at the Four Lane Ends traffic lights on Highways on-line system.

## 10) 66/16/17 - Correspondence

The following items were noted and it was agreed that no response was required:

Cheshire Fire Risk Management Plan

CW&C Historic Lord Mayoralty

CW&C Special Expenses Scheme

CW&C Parking Strategy SPD

The Clerk requested some further information in order to complete the Churchyard Grant application.

Action Point 3 – Cllr Byrd agreed to supply the details of the Treasurer at St Jude's

CW&C Council Tax Reduction Scheme was moved to Finance

#### 11) 67/16/17 – Financial Report and Accounts for Payment

Balances in the bank were as follows:

<u>31<sup>st</sup> October</u> Business Reserve Account - £3,106.35. This included 13 pence interest. Current Account £1,104.36

<u>30<sup>th</sup> November</u> Business Reserve Account – £3,106.40. This included 5 pence interest Current Account £550.18

31st December Business Reserve Account - £1,606.42. This included 2 pence interest

#### Current Account 1,682.64

Following a review of the Budget the Chairman had transferred £1500.00 from the Business Reserve Account to the Current Account which accounted for the change in the balances.

#### Additional Cheques paid in November were:

000578	G Ibbotson – Poppy Wreath	£25.00
000579	Mrs C Weaver - Expenses	£31.44

# Cheques paid In December

000580	G Ibbotson – Newsletter	£10.70
000581	Mrs C Weaver - Nov Salary	£151.10

# Cheques for payment in January

Mrs C Weaver	Clerks Salary for December	£151.10
Mrs C Weaver	Clerks Expenses Nov/ Dec	£7.20
BDO LLP	Audit Fee	£120.00
Tattenhall First Responders	Defib Training	£50.00

Resolved: that the above accounts be paid

Budget to end December: Cllrs reviewed the budget to end December and agreed the figures Action Point 4: That if there was no detail about a payment Clerk to put a footnote to the Budget sheet.

The Clerk had provided an estimate of the final figures for 2016 / 2017 and against this some proposed budget figures for 2017 / 2018.

Councillors suggested amendments to some of the figures and agreed, in principle, to a 3% increase in the Precept.

Action Point 5: Clerk to revise the budget and circulate to members for approval.

Cllrs also noted the contents of the letter from Cheshire West and Chester Council informing the Parish Council of the phasing out of the Council Tax Reduction Scheme.

# 12) 68/16/17 Reports from Councillors and the Parish Clerk

Operation Shield: This had been covered by PC Gigg in Open Forum

<u>Parish Council Governance / Transparency Code</u>: A working group was formed that would meet on 15<sup>th</sup> February and would consist of the Clerk and Cllrs Ibbotson, Mould and Cheshire.

<u>Defibrillator Training</u>: Cllr Ibbotson reported that this had gone well and was well attended. It was agreed to hold another training session in the Spring possibly run by Cllr Thompson. Thanks were expressed to Tattenhall First Responders who held the training.

#### 13) 69/16/17 - Tree on Village Green

Cllrs Discussed the two quotes received. They agreed that they would like a third quote and would provide the Clerk with details of other contractors

Action Point 6: Clerk to contact a third supplier for a quote

Discussion was held about a possible replacement for the Horse Chestnut Tree and how this could be achieved.

#### 14) 70/16/17 - Diary Dates

The Clerk had circulated a list of dates of various events which were noted.

## 15) 71/16/17 – Appointment of Parish Councillors

Applications had been received from two residents, Mr Asheesh Sharma and Mrs Leanne Vimalachandran.

<u>Resolved</u>: That the two applicants be invited to join the Parish Council Action Point 7: Chairman to write and officially offer the positions

Action Point 8: Clerk to obtain and supply relevant forms and paperwork

Cllr Byrd informed members that he had decided to resign from the Parish Council. Cllr Ibbotson thanked him for his years of service.

The Clerk asked that Cllr Byrd confirm his resignation in writing.

Action Point 9: Clerk to Declare a Casual Vacancy

# 16) 72/16/17 - Date and Time of Next Meeting

The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30 pm at Tiverton Village Hall

Following Parish Council meetings will take place on:

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May (inc Annual Parish meeting and the Annual Parish Council Meeting)

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2018

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.10 pm.