

TIVERTON AND TILSTONE FEARNALL

PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 14 July 2009 at Tiverton Village Hall, commencing at 7.30pm.

Present:

Parish Councillors Farrall (Chairman), Ibbotson (Vice Chairman), Cheshire, Wright, Evans and Povall. Cheshire West and Chester Shadow Authority (CWAC) Member Cllr. Wright. Parish Clerk. 4 Members of the Public, including Doug Haynes, Clerk to Beeston Parish Council.

Open Forum: Bernadette Hardern commented that a recent Meeting of the Cheshire Hunt saw Horses galloping up Townfield Lane accompanied by Hounds. Mrs Hardern believed that the Horses were a danger to pedestrians and asked that the Parish Council contact the Hunt to point out the dangers of fast moving horses in an area frequented by pedestrians.

Steve Armitage commented that as there is no registered owner of Townfield Lane could the Parish Council seek to adopt the land.

Roger Blake commented that the Hedgerow at the top of Townfield Lane is becoming overgrown and in need of attention. **Action Point 1 – Parish Clerk to contact Richard Ankers at CWAC to obtain guidance on all three above issues.**

Roger Blake thanked the Parish Council for its' input over the development at 2 Townfield Lane.

Roger Blake asked how long the recently issued Wheelie Bins are expected to remain in service before being replaced. Cllr. Cheshire advised that Life Expectancy is three years.

Bernadette Hardern advised that the Public Telephone Box on Huxley Lane has not been fully operative of late. Cllr. Cheshire advised that repairs had been undertaken earlier today.

Steve Armitage advised that, on behalf of the Parish Plan Group, he is shortly to meet with a representative from CWAC to discuss the ongoing Protection of the Gowy Area, as outlined in the Parish Plan. He will report back at a future Parish Council Meeting.

1. Apologies for Absence: Apologies were received from Cllr. Byrd.

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

3. Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday 12 May 2009: The Minutes were unanimously approved (Proposed by Cllr. Cheshire and Seconded by Cllr. Ibbotson) and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

4. Matters Arising:- BT Telephone Box adjacent to the War Memorial – The Parish Clerk confirmed that he had asked BT to arrange a tidy up of the site following the replacement of the Red Telephone Box. Whilst some remedial work has been completed the adjacent road surface has not been made good. **Action Point 2 – Parish Clerk to refer the situation to BT.**

Proposed Plastic Bollards adjacent to the War Memorial – The Parish Clerk confirmed that a suitably worded letter has been sent out to all property owners in the vicinity of the War Memorial.

Proposed Erection of Village Sign – Cllr. Povall advised that, along with Cllr. Cheshire, she visited Andy Smith, the Blacksmith in Tattenhall, and discussed the manufacture of a wrought iron village sign. Further discussions are to be held. **Action Point 3 – Cllr. Povall to provide an update at the next Parish Council Meeting.** Cllr. Cheshire confirmed that he has completed an audit of Village Entry Signs and that 8 new signs are required for Tiverton and 3 for Tilstone Fearnall. **Action Point 4 – Parish Clerk to liaise with CWAC regarding potential costs, including labour. Information to be passed on to Cllr. Cheshire once obtained.**

Boundary Commission Review – After discussion it was agreed to contact the Boundaries Commission advising that the Parish Council is in broad agreement with the proposal being put before CWAC at a full Council Meeting later this month – this sees Tiverton and Tilstone Fearnall in the proposed Eddisbury Ward, which will have three members on the Council. However, comment is to be made that it is considered important that the rural view is not lost in a Ward containing a number of more developed localities. Additionally, clarification is to be sought on the future boundaries of Local Area Forums. **Action Point 5 – Cllr. Ibbotson to write to the Boundaries Commission, with copies to David Owens at CWAC and Doug Haynes at Beeston Parish Council.**

5. Homewatch and Police Report: Roger Blake gave a report covering New Telephone Scams; Burglary Prevention Packs; Instances of Dogs being Stolen; Thefts from Lone Women Drivers; The recently created Directory of UK Personal Mobile Phone Numbers. A copy of Mr. Blake's written report is held on file. **Action Point 6 – Parish Clerk to pass on Mobile Phone Directory Removal Instructions to Steve Armitage for inclusion in the next Village Newsletter.**

6. Pending Meeting with CWAC regarding Service Delivery Project: The Parish Clerk confirmed that CWAC are looking to meet with the Parish Council in the near future to discuss a number of issues with regard to future Service Provision, Participatory Planning and Parish Planning. In discussing the issue at this Parish Council Meeting the intention was to formulate thoughts prior to the meeting with CWAC. It was agreed that the Parish Council wished to retain the services of the Street Orderly, along with financial support for Grass Cutting at St Judes Church. The possibility of Insurance Cover via CWAC is also considered to be of potential benefit. Clarification on Footpath Maintenance is also to be sought. **Action Point 7 – Parish**

Clerk to contact Nicola McKeand at CWAC to provisionally arrange a Meeting Date and to outline the key issues for discussion.

7. Planning Issues: 09/10908/FUL – Replacement of Agricultural Building at Tilstone Bank Farm, Tilstone Fearnall. No objections raised. **Action Point 8 – Cllr. Farrall to write to CWAC as appropriate.**

8. Correspondence:

- a. ChALC monthly e-mail update for June.
- b. Various Police Newsletters and Grapevine Journal dated June 2009.
- c. E-mail dated 3 July 2009 from CWAC relating to West Cheshire Local Strategic Partnership Network Conference on Monday 20 July 2009 at Winsford Lifestyle Centre. **Action Point 9 – Parish Clerk to advise CWAC that Cllr. Farrall will attend.**
- d. Letter dated 7 July 2009 from CWAC providing follow up information on items discussed at the Local Councils Event at Fourways Inn on 30 April 2009.
- e. Letter dated 11 June 2009 from ChALC asking Parish Councils to Log Police Incidents over the next year. The aim is to compare the lists to those kept by the Police.
- f. Letter dated 12 June 2009 from CWAC relating to the activities of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee and seeking feedback throughout the initial Consultation Process.
- g. E-mail from CWAC dated 19 June 2009 seeking information regarding Local Activities and Events in the coming months. The intention is to produce a Newsletter highlighting Local Events.
- h. E-mail dated 6 July 2009 from CWAC seeking details of all Local Organisations and Community Groups.
- i. Partnerships West Journal dated June 2009.
- j. Cheshire Community Action Briefing Sheet dated May 2009.
- k. Chester Voluntary Action Newsletter dated June 2009.
- l. The Informer Journal dated June 2009.
- m. North West Plan Partial Review Newsletter dated June 2009.
- n. Updated CWAC Contacts Directory (to be held by Parish Clerk).
- o. ChALC Newsletter dated July 2009.
- p. Booking Form for ChALC AGM at Middlewich Civic Hall on 22 October 2009. **Action Point 10 – Parish Clerk to confirm that Cllr. Povall will attend.**
- q. Nomination Form in respect of World Rural Women's Day on 7 October 2009.

9. Financial Report and Accounts for Payment: The Financial Report dated 14 July 2009 was unanimously approved (Proposed by Cllr. Farrall. Seconded by Cllr. Povall). The Parish Council currently has cash balances totalling £8,340.51 Credit. £4,076.05 of this sum is held on an immediate access interest bearing account. There are no budgetary concerns arising.

The Audit Commission has approved the Accounts for 2008/9. It has commented that the Parish Council is entitled to receive Bank Interest without the deduction of Tax.

Action Point 11 – Parish Clerk to ensure that the appropriate paperwork is completed and forwarded on to NatWest Bank.

The following Payments were authorised:

Harold Withe – July and August 2009 Salary £172.20 per month, less Income Tax.

Phil Sanders – July and August 2009 Salary £112.25 per month, less Income Tax.

Audit Commission – Audit Fee - £138.00.

Phil Sanders – Postage and Mileage - £22.08.

The following payment was authorised retrospectively:

Armitage Systems Ltd – Newsletter Printing - £24.96.

Action Point 12 – Parish Clerk to prepare appropriate paperwork for Bank Mandate amendments in readiness for the next Parish Council Meeting.

10. Any Other Business: Cllr. Cheshire commented that a resident has recently received a letter from CWAC advising that they put out too large a quantity of Garden Waste for collection, albeit in the correct bags. CWAC Cllr. Wright asked that the resident liaise directly with CWAC via the usual channels. If problems still persisted she offered to become involved personally.

Cllr. Wright advised that she will liaise with the Vicar regarding arrangements for the 11 November War Memorial Service.

11. Date & Time of Next Meeting: Tuesday 8 September 2009 at Tiverton Village Hall, commencing at 7.30pm.

The Meeting Closed at 9.34pm.