

TIVERTON AND TILSTONE FEARNALL

PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 16 November 2010 at Tiverton Village Hall, commencing at 7.30pm.

Present:

Parish Councillors Ibbotson (Chairman), Farrall, Evans, Wright and Byrd. Parish Clerk. 2 Members of the Public.

Open Forum: Roger Blake expressed disappointment that the current development at 2 Townfield Lane is markedly different from the originally approved plans. Subsequent Planning Applications have seen a raft of amendments that are not felt to be in the spirit of the original development plans, particularly the requirement for one of the new units to be classed as affordable housing. Additionally, a Tree Preservation Order was rescinded without any consultation. **Action Point 1 – Parish Clerk to write to CWAC Planning Department outlining these views and seeking feedback.**

1. Apologies for Absence: Cllr. Cheshire. CWAC Councillor Wright.

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

3. Minutes of the Meeting held on 14 September 2010:- Were unanimously approved (Proposed by Cllr. Evans. Seconded by Cllr. Byrd) and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

4. Matters Arising:

Speed Gun – Derek Bowker at Cheshire Community Action advises that new training procedures are now in place for the use of the hand held Speed Gun. This Training must be carried out by all potential users before the Gun can be utilised. It was agreed to reconsider the use of the Gun in Spring 2011.

War Memorial Refurbishment – The Parish Clerk confirmed that an Expression of Interest Form has been submitted to the War Memorials Trust (WMT) seeking Grant funding to cover the cost of re-lettering and chemical cleansing. The WMT has responded saying that it will be pleased to consider an Application for funding under its' Small Grants Scheme. The Parish Clerk commented that the Application papers need to be highly comprehensive, including a detailed history of the Memorial and a Method Statement listing all of the work to be undertaken. It was agreed to approach local residents with a view to building up a history profile, specifically when the Memorial was first erected and how it was funded. The Parish Clerk commented that,

subject to the information being to hand, the Application for Grant Funding will be submitted prior to the next Parish Council Meeting. **Action Point 2 – Parish Council to provide an update at the next Parish Council Meeting.**

Beeston Brook and Brassey Green Village Signs - No further developments to report.

Action Point 3 – Parish Clerk to ensure that the matter is raised at the next Parish Council Meeting.

Proposed Erection of Village Sign - No further developments to report. **Action Point 4 – Parish Clerk to ensure that the matter is raised at the next Parish Council Meeting.**

Vehicle Parking in the Vicinity of The War Memorial - No further developments to report. **Action Point 5 – Parish Clerk to ensure that the matter is raised at the next Parish Council Meeting.**

Odours in the Vicinity of Smithy Green – The Parish Clerk confirmed that a letter had been forwarded on to the proprietors of The Old Smithy asking them to check their drains. The proprietors have responded advising that they have checked their outlet pipes and that everything is in order. It was agreed to continue monitoring the situation with a view to calling in CWAC Environmental Health should the odours return.

5. Homewatch and Police Report: Roger Blake gave a report highlighting a recently discovered scam where an individual is purporting to represent Black Horse Finance and agreeing to arrange loans, subject to the payment of an up front arrangement fee. A written copy of the report is held on file.

Roger Blake advised his wish to stand down as Homewatch Co-Ordinator and asked that the Parish Council actively seek a replacement. **Action Point 5 – Cllr. Ibbotson to include in next Village Newsletter.**

6. Planning Applications: 10/12316/FUL – Land opposite Westwood, Nantwich Road, Tiverton – Change of use to Equestrian and construction of a new Stables Block and Menage. No objections made. Permission subsequently granted.

10/12362/FUL – Castleview, Huxley Lane Tiverton. Alterations to existing property to incorporate remainder of existing barn, to provide additional living accommodation. Notice of Planning Permission received.

10/11092/LBC. Bridge Number 109, Bates Mill Lane, Beeston. Dismantling and rebuilding of the East and West parapet wall and whitewash using lime. Notice of Listed Building Consent received.

7. Correspondence:

- a) Various Homewatch Bulletins dated October and November 2010.
- b) E-mail dated 22 October 2010 relating to Consultation on the CWAC New Local Transport Plan. No action required as feedback has already been provided.
- c) West Cheshire Together LSP Steering Group – Briefing Note from Meeting dated 28 October 2010.

- d) Minutes of a Meeting of Oxheys Community Liaison Group dated 21 September 2010.
- e) E-mail dated 1 November 2010 from CWAC relating to BT Broadband Survey.
- f) E-mail dated 1 November 2010 from Cheshire Police relating to School Help Advice Reporting Page (SHARP).
- g) North West Rural Affairs Forum Weekly Digest dated 5 November 2010.
- h) NALC Employment Briefing Sheet dated 3 November 2010, outlining increased Vehicle Mileage Rates effective from 1 January 2011.
- i) Clerks and Councils Direct Journal dated November 2010.
- j) VRDS Disability Newsletter dated November 2010.
- k) ChALC Newsletter dated November 2010.
- l) E-mail dated 9 November 2010 from ChALC relating to the Drive Alive Chester initiative.
- m) E-mail dated 12 November 2010 from CWAC relating to Rural West Cheshire Parish Council Funding Opportunities linked to Wellbeing.
- n) Partnerships West Journal dated November 2010.

8 and 9. Financial Report and Accounts for Payment: The Financial Report dated 16 November 2010 was unanimously approved (Proposed by Cllr. Evans. Seconded by Cllr. Wright).

The Parish Council currently has cash balances totalling £3,904.93 Credit. £3,078.09 of this sum is held on an immediate access interest bearing account. There are no budgetary concerns arising.

The following Payments were authorised:

Harold Withe – Salary Payments - November 2010 £218.05 Gross. December 2010 £174.44 Gross

Phil Sanders – Salary Payments - November and December 2010 - £113.37 Gross.

Phil Sanders – Expenses - £22.63

Bunbury Royal British Legion – Donation - £25.00.

Cllr. J Farrall – Remembrance Day Wreath Purchase - £16.50.

£500 is to be transferred from Deposit Account to Current Account to aid short term cash flow requirements.

10. Any Other Business: Prior to the commencement of this Meeting a discussion was held with Mike Solari and Ian Hogan from CWAC Streetscene regarding CWAC's future plans for street cleansing within the Parish. In line with the recently published Policy Document, which comes into effect from 1 April 2011, the A49 and A51 will be cleansed every six weeks; Huxley Lane (where adjacent to property and footpaths) will be cleansed monthly; all other roads will be cleansed four times a year. As yet there is no Plan in place for grass cutting beyond the expiry of the current contract in Spring 2012. At this stage there is some confusion as to what grass cutting CWAC should be undertaking. Mike Solari promised to check current work lists,

focusing in particular on parcels of land owned by the Parish Council. **Action Point 6 – Parish Clerk to liaise with Mike Solari as appropriate.**

It was also confirmed that, with effect from the year commencing 1 April 2011, CWAC will no longer pay Grants in respect of Street Orderly Salary payments. It was agreed to consult further with Sue Fernandes, Streetscene Manager at CWAC, regarding the ramifications of this new Policy and to further discuss at the next Parish Council Meeting. **Action Point 7 – Parish Clerk to ensure that the matter is raised at the next Parish Council Meeting.**

Cllr. Farrall advised that she had attended a Meeting earlier in the day covering the forward provision of elderly day care in the Tarporley area. The issue has come under the spotlight recently following the decision by Age Concern to close their current facility. Tarporley Parish Council is looking into the possibility of opening and managing a Day Care Centre and, at this stage, is looking for written expressions of support for the plan. It was agreed to write a letter in support of the proposal. **Action Point 8 – Parish Clerk to forward a suitably worded letter to the Tarporley Parish Council.**

Cllr. Byrd commented on recent above average levels of plane/helicopter activity by Cheshire Police, asking if any Councillor was aware of the reasons behind the uplift. **Action Point 9 – Parish Clerk to make appropriate enquiries and report back at the next Parish Council Meeting.**

Cllr. Ibbotson commented that, along with Cllr. Cheshire, he recently attended a Rural Regeneration and Housing Strategy Workshop, promoted by CWAC. **Action Point 10 – Parish Clerk to include the Workshop Papers in the next Circulation File.**

11. Date & Time of Next Meeting: Tuesday 11 January 2011 at Tiverton Village Hall, commencing at 7.30pm.

The Meeting Closed at 8.36pm.