

TIVERTON & TILSTONE FEARNALL

PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of Tiverton & Tilstone Fearnall Parish Council held on **Tuesday 8th September 2020** at 7.30pm by Zoom

Present:

Councillor R Mould (in the Chair)

Cllrs: R Cheshire, G Ibbotson, H Lightfoot, A Sharma L Vimalachandran

Ward Cllr Mike Jones

2 members of the public

1) 016/20.21 – Discussion with PC / PCSO re Local Issues

No members of Cheshire Constabulary were in attendance

2) 0017/20.21 – Open Forum

The two residents raised the matter of the letter received by some residents and the Parish Council informing them of a possible development of 28 houses on the Beeston Reclamation Site. The Chairman informed them that this was an agenda item under Planning and would be discussed more fully then.

3) 018/20.21 – Apologies for Absence

There were no Apologies for Absence however Cllr Revill had informed the Clerk that due to a work commitment she would be late joining the meeting.

4) 019/20.21 – Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of Interest

5) 020/20.21 – Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 14th July 2020 were unanimously agreed to be a true record and will be signed by the Chairman.

6) 021/20.21 – Clerk's Report

Role of Chairman and Vice Chairman for 20/21: As the Parish Council AGM had not been held in May nominations for the roles of Chairman and Vice Chairman had been held in abeyance until the meeting situation for the year was clearer. Meetings were now being held, quite successfully, by Zoom and it was proposed by Cllr Ibbotson, seconded by Cllr Lightfoot that the current Chairman, Cllr Ray Mould and vice-chairman, Cllr Ash Sharma should remain in post until May 2021. All were in favour

Date of Annual Parish Meeting, Parish Council AGM and First Parish Council meeting 2021: It was hoped that Council would be able to resume meetings in the village hall before too long. However it was unanimously agreed that whatever the situation the above meetings would take place on Tuesday 11th May 2021.

Water Pressure along Huxley Lane: Further to the complaints received regarding low water pressure on Huxley Lane the Chairman had had several discussions with United Utilities. They had reiterated that the legal pressure requirement was 0.7 bar and they had measured it in the vicinity of Smithy Green at 2 to 2.5 bar. The Chairman had pointed out that many houses are on a higher level than the road where the pipe is and would they be prepared to put the pressure up to 3 but they had declined as they considered this "bad" for the pipe. It was now considered that the best course of action was

for individual residents to phone or email United Utilities to ask them to visit and see the situation. It was suggested that an item be put into the next newsletter to inform residents of this.

Cllr Law joined the meeting at 7.45 pm (Note: The late arrival was because Cllrs Law's Zoom name was not recognised by the Clerk or Chairman and hence she had not been allowed into the Zoom call at 7.30pm)

7) 022/20.21 – Planning

i) Planning Applications: The following planning applications had been received and noted on the planning register:

20/2368/S73: Tilstone Lodge, Nantwich Road, Tiverton, CW6 9HS – Variation of condition 2 (Plans) of 19/02776/FUL

20/02569/FUL: Hawthorn Cottage, Tilstone Bank Road, Tilstone Fearnall, CW6 9QH – Alterations to existing ancillary residential outbuilding with repair to existing front boundary wall and new decorative railings

Two further applications had been received since the publication of the agenda:

20/02889/FUL: Tilstone Lodge, Nantwich Road, Tiverton, CW6 9HS – Installation of ground source heat pump, new ground loop and associated works.

20/02890/LBC: Tilstone Lodge, Nantwich Road, Tiverton, CW6 9HS – Installation of ground source heat pump, new ground loop and associated works.

The Parish Council had no objections to any of the above applications

ii) Decision Notices: No decision notices had been received

iii) Planning Committee – No other planning comments were tabled

Planning committee members expressed their concern that their submitted planning comments were not being considered when CW&C planning officers compiled their reports. There had been some applications recently including Barn View and Tiverton Hall where comments from both the Parish Council and residents had been ignored or misconstrued. Cllr Ibbotson had had discussions with Bethan Armstrong who had agreed to meet the Parish Council but in the first instance Cllr Ibbotson was to write to the head of planning expressing the concerns.

It was suggested that rather than emailing comments they are uploaded onto CW&C's planning portal and that a check be made to make sure that all submitted comments can be viewed.

Cllr Revill joined the meeting at 8pm.

Cllr Vimalachandran left the meeting at 8pm

iv) Planning reports on the website: There was discussion about the planning information that goes on the Parish Council website. It was agreed that the Clerk would upload the Planning register and that the report produced by Cllr Ibbotson would also be uploaded under the relevant meeting dates. Cllrs Mould and Sharma would put together a statement informing residents how planning decisions were reached and a link would be included to the CW&C planning portal enabling residents to look at all planning applications and the associated comments including those made by the parish Council planning committee

v) Proposed development at Beeston Reclamation Site: Several residents and both Beeston and Tiverton & Tilstone Fearnall Parish Councils had received a letter from a development company who are considering building houses on the Beeston reclamation site. Each Council had responded pointing out the lack of local infrastructure, lack of public transport, the poor access and the proposal to re-open the railway station. No official application has been made yet but Council will monitor the situation and assured residents that they would be informed should an application be submitted.

8) 023/20.21 – Highways

i) Fault Reporting System - The spreadsheet of defects reported to Highways had been updated and circulated. Some items have now been reported on several occasions

ii) A51 / Four Lane Ends Speed Limit Consultation: The Clerk had emailed Stuart Bateman for an update. He had responded but had not been able to provide an update

There was discussion about the above two matters as both have dragged on for a long time. Many of the potholes have been repaired but reappeared and there has been no progress with the speed limit implementation for several months. As previous delays have resulted in price increases there is a concern that this could happen again. It was agreed that that Clerk write to the head of Highways expressing Councils' concerns and copy in Cllr Jones

Action Point 1: Clerk to write to head of Highways expressing Council's concerns

iii) New Highways Issues: There were no new issues to be reported

v) Inter Parish Discussion re A51 – No report was tabled at this meeting

9) 024/20.21 – Correspondence

All correspondence of note had been circulated.

Edward Timpson, MP had acknowledged the Parish Councils letter of support for the proposal to re-open Beeston & Tarporley railway station.

"What 3 Words" had asked the parish Council to adopt the system and to promote it within the community. Council did not feel it necessary to adopt it as a body but would inform residents. Cllr Lightfoot said that she had got the "3 words" for the two defibrillators and these were on laminated cards in the respective boxes.

An email had been received from Neighbourhood Watch asking for nominations for a "Neighbourhood" award. It was agreed to nominate two residents from Tiverton.

10) 025/20.21 – Financial Report and Accounts for Payment

i) Balances in the bank at the end of July were as follows:

Current Account	£3,910.17
Business Reserve Account	£4,156.78

The bank statement for the end of August had not been received at the time of the meeting

ii) Budget Figures to End of August: - Councillors reviewed the budget figures to the end of August. All expenditure was on target. The only item not paid was the joining fee for SLCC but as they are not meeting or holding training at present it was felt this could be put on hold and looked at again in the new financial year. It was noted that all payments approved at the July meeting had been made and the Clerk reported that they had all been by Bank Transfer.

iii) Payments to be made in August

C Spencer	Zoom Fee (September)	£14.39
	Back Pay	£29.12

Resolved: that the above invoices be paid and that payments be made by Bank Transfer wherever possible

iv) St Jude's Churchyard Grant – As agreed at the July meeting a one-off grant had been paid to St Jude's in lieu of the Churchyard Grant. It was agreed that in future, in order to have time to submit the grant application to CW&C, St Jude's must provide copy invoices by end November latest.

v) Clerk's Pay Award: The Chairman had received details of the Clerks pay award for 2020/2021 from National Association of Local Councils (NALC). The Clerk is owed £29.12 back pay and the Standing Order will be adjusted to the new amount of £177.49 per month with effect from 1st October. All were in favour

11) 025/20.21 – Review of Statutory Documents

A further box of archive items had been handed to the Chairman. After sorting these had been added to the other boxes in storage.
Due to the restrictions no further work had been done on updating the statutory documents. This will continue when possible

12) 026/20.21 – Date and Time of Next Meeting

The next meeting would take place on **Tuesday 10th November at 7.30**. It is hoped that a physical meeting will be possible but if not it will be by Zoom

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.55 pm

Signed:.....

Dated:.....

NB: Following the meeting the Chairman and Clerk held a socially distanced meeting during which relevant documents were signed