

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE TARPORLEY PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE  
COMMUNITY CENTRE COMMITTEE ROOM ON Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2005**

**PRESENT:** Cllr's E Boynes, R Brierley, R Craven, J Foden, T Hill, G Lees, H Nickson, K Parker, T Spark, C Topping and J Wall.

1. Open Forum: Dr. J Forster of the Sandstone Way Aikido School supported their grant request by giving a short presentation on the aims and activities of the school; P.C. Chris McCourt gave an update on local activities including the introduction of a Shop-Watch scheme.
2. Start of formal business; Apologies received from Cllr, Greenwood.
3. Declarations of interest: No declarations of interest from Councillors
4. The minutes of the meetings of the 10<sup>th</sup> Nov 2005 were approved and signed.
5. Update on matters resolved at earlier meetings not on this Agenda: the Christmas lights switch on went well, thanks letters to be sent, next years date 1/12/06; the Burial Working Group have met and path specification and layout are in hand with Maurice Hunt; BKV group have met and will now meet Mr Bakewell; Weaver Vale confirms that the Oathills Lea path may be used as a "short cut" by those with mobility difficulties; the Clerk, Cllr's Lees & Craven to meet the SPAR CCTV contractor; correspondence with Inspector Hodgson and John Roberts indicates they are unlikely to support an alcohol ban at this time; FLAG grants, good progress reported by Cllr Lees; Cllr Brierley reported that the Parish Plan questionnaires were nearing completion.
6. Vale Royal Borough Councillor's Report on matters affecting the Parish; a new A-Z service guide has been published and distributed, recycling is going well, the latest newsletter has been distributed and a plastics trial is in progress, the new post of street scene manager has been created.
7. Budget & Precept 2006~07: It was resolved that the budget proposed by the working group be accepted and the precept be set at £33,000 (no increase from last year).
8. ACCOUNTS: a) The Councillor's expenditure and income statements were received and approved and it was noted that Cllr Spark had checked the accounts.

b) The following accounts were approved for payment

St Helen's Church	Churchyard maintenance grant (under LGA 1972, s214)	Chq2032	800.00
F Morrey Nurseries	Daffodil Bulbs (under HA 1980, s96)	2033	28.20
G Fowles	Handyman Nov. (under HA 1980, s43, 50, 96, 144, LGA 1972 s214)	2034	290.00
-	PCA 1957 s1)	-	-
J Macdonald	Net Wage Nov. (under LGA 1972, s112)	2035	498.31
J Macdonald	Office expenses Nov. (under LGA 1972, s111)	2036	43.12
J Macdonald	Lock and fittings for the Hearse House store (under LGA 1972, s111)	2036	40.33
J Macdonald	Christmas trees (under LGA 1972 s 144)	2036	75.00
Aries	Bus Hire Nov. (under LGRA 1997, s27)	2037	147.77
G Steele	Street Cleaning Nov (under LGA 1972, s137) standing order	S.O.	300.00
P Halford	Footpaths Nov. (under HA 1980, s43, 50, 96)	2038	49.50
Community Centre	Room Hire Nov (under LGA 1972, s133)	2039	17.00.
SLCC	Clerk's Manual update (under LGA 1972, s111)	2040	7.00
SLCC	SLCC annual membership fee for Clerk (under LGA 1972, s111)	2041	93.00
J Greenwood	Christmas lights flowers & chocolates (under LGA 1972 s 144)	2042	18.91
VRBC	November Newsletter Printing (under LGA 1972, s142)	2043	77.00
Inland Revenue	PAYE Tax and NI (Oct, Nov, Dec) (under LGA 1972, s112)	2044	661.92

It was resolved that street cleaning be paid under LGA 1972 s137 as being in the interest of, and to the benefit of, local inhabitants and will benefit them in a manner commensurate with the expenditure.

Income noted: £250 Grant from VRBC towards Christmas Lights

It was noted that a VAT claim for £8,281.94 has been submitted and that this had been referred to the Public Authorities Unit of Expertise for verification.

c) No claims for Parish Plan expenses submitted for payment

9. Listed Building Inspection: It was resolved that Cllr Brierley would undertake the annual "from the footpath" inspections and report back to the next meeting.
10. Charter: The Charter for Cheshire Councils was received.
11. Aikido School: A request for a grant of up to £500 towards equipment was received and it was resolved that grant of £100 be paid and that the Parish Council would be prepared to consider match funding for the remainder of the £500 (i.e. to a maximum of a further £200).
12. CCC Transport Plan, Buses Consultation: It was resolved that the Clerk respond supporting the need for good public transport services.
13. HIGHWAYS, STREET LIGHTING & STREET SCENE:
  - a. Highways group: Cllr Topping gave an update on the activities of the working group and meetings with highways representatives, the working group will review the speed limit gateway proposals. It was resolved that the Clerk would make representations regarding the possible diversion of funds to pay for tactile paving as although the Parish Council is sympathetic to this need it seemed that this was a substantial revision to the agreed plan.

- b. Consideration was given to the increased installation and maintenance costs of non-standard bus shelters and it was resolved that a CCC standard shelter finished overall in black and with a small timetable notice board would be acceptable.
- c. Rocks alongside carriageways: It was resolved that the Clerk would seek advice on the policy of CCC and VRBC regarding the management of roadside verges.
- d. No highway or lighting matters to be reported to CCC
- e. No street scene matters for action by parish contractors.

14. Correspondence and Any Other Business: for information only or to be placed on the next agenda. Cllr's received an updated Committee and Working Group list.

In accordance with standing orders it was resolved that the meeting be extended to 10:00pm to enable business to be completed.

Cllr Craven will respond to the Rural Regeneration Food Cooperative Interest Survey

Cllr Parker will arrange for a representative of the Co-op to address a forthcoming meeting

Cllr Brierley will arrange for a group interested in initiating a "first response" medical facility to address a forthcoming meeting.

Community Centre rooms should now be booked via Rachel Sims (730921)

Cllr Nickson will respond to the Policing Objectives Consultation.

A grant request from Winsford NeuroMuscular Centre will not be placed on the next agenda.

Cllr Parker will attend the Quality Forum on the 11/1/06

Cllr's Foden and Wall will attend the CCC Annual Town & Parish Council's Conference on 8/2/06

15. PLANNING: a) It was resolved that the following comments be made under TCPA 1990 Sch1 s8:

APP No	Location	Proposal	Comments
05 1852	20 Forest Rd	Porch, garage & rear extension	Cond's
05 1906	41 Woodlands Way	Conservatory to rear	No Obj.

The upholding of the appeal against the refusal of VRBC to grant planning permission for a development on the Estate House site was noted.

b) The following VRBC decisions were received and noted.

App	Location	Proposal	VRBC Decision
05 1584	72 High St	Shop sign	Refusal
05 1589	28 Forest Rd	Extension of opening hours	Refusal
05 1695	115 High St	Amended detail of store and filling station	Refusal

It was noted that the VRBC enforcement officers would be writing to Coral Bookmakers in Nantwich Rd regarding the new sign.

- c) BT had responded to the objection regarding the new steel pole by the Parish Council notice board. BT stated the new pole was necessary for Health & Safety reasons and the Parish Council would have to take County Court action if it wished to pursue its objection.

SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_