

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE TARPORLEY PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN TARPORLEY
COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL MAIN HALL ON Monday 8th May 2006**

PRESENT: E Boynes, R Brierley, R Craven, J Foden, J Greenwood, T Hill, H Nickson, K Parker, T Spark, C Topping and J Wall.

1. Open Forum: No members of the public present.
2. Start of formal business: For the coming year it was resolved that Cllr Hill be Chairman and Cllr Spark be Vice-Chairman. The outgoing Chairman Cllr Boynes was thanked for his service during the past year.
3. Apologies: No apologies.
4. Declarations of interest: No declarations of interest from Councillors
5. The minutes of the meetings of the 10th Apr 2006.were approved and signed.
6. Casual Vacancy: It was noted that an election has not been called and there were no applicant for co-option. It was resolved to re-advertise the casual vacancy prior to the next meeting.
7. It was resolved to receive written reports from the Chairman, VRBC Councillor, working groups and the Clerk's financial report for editing and consolidation by the Clerk to form the Parish Council Annual Report. Cllr Craven gave an oral report on Community Centre activities.
8. It was resolved to elect all members to the Planning Committee and membership of the following Working Groups & Councillors with special responsibilities was agreed and the list to be circulated by the Clerk. Traffic and Highways, Quality Parish Council, Publicity, Affordable Housing, Community Security, Best Kept Village, Cemetery, Christmas Lights, Budget and Forward Planning, Footpaths & Trees, Monthly Finance, Rowcliffe Homes Trust, Arthur Meredith Trust, Primary School, High School, Community Centre, FLAG, Parish Plan, Helen Watson Commemoration.
9. It was resolved to approve the following Standing Orders and pro-formas as circulated with the agenda: Council Standing Orders, Financial Standing Orders, Planning Standing Orders, Equipment Loan, T&C's.
10. It was resolved to confirm the Clerk as Proper Officer and Responsible Financial Officer.
11. It was noted that Councillors confirmed their registers of interests were up to date.
12. Update on matters resolved at earlier meetings not on this Agenda. Henry St cost of possible schemes to be considered; TCHS library, Cllr Boynes will enquire on progress / funding, costs needed for Henry St.
13. Commemoration of the past service as Clerk to the Council by the late Mr J Peters: It was resolved that Cllr Craven consult with the Clerk over the provision of a bench seat value not to exceed £550.
14. Placement of the contract for the construction of paths for the new cemetery: After consideration of the offerings from the short-listed candidates and noting that a macadam as opposed to a stone path was within budget it was resolved to place the fixed price contract for £6,644 for the construction of a macadam surfaced path with Plumbley Environmental Contractors Ltd. It was noted that members of the working group had inspected and been satisfied with work of this type undertaken by the selected contractor in churchyards in Winsford.
15. 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

Cheshire Brick & Slate	Stone for the Gully (under HA 1980, s43, 50,96)	Chq2088	52.28
J Macdonald	Net Wage Apr. (under LGA 1972, s112)	2089	513.86
J Macdonald	Office expenses Apr. (under LGA 1972, s111)	2090	57.02
G Fowles	Handyman Apr. (under HA 1980, s43, 50,96,144, LGA 1972 s214	2091	250.99
-	PCA 1957 s1)	-	-
Aries	Bus Hire Apr. (under LGRA 1997, s27)	2092	150.17
G Steele	Street Cleaning Apr (under LGA 1972, s137) standing order	SO	300.00
Weaver Horizons	Make safe broken light string (under LGA 1972 s 144)	2093	68.19
Community Council	Annual Subscription (under LGA 1972, s143)	2094	60.00
Allianz Cornhill	Parish Council Insurance 2006/07 (under LGA 1972, s140, s111)	2095	1417.24
P Willis	Notice-boards (under LGA 1972, s111, s214)	2096	275.00
VRBC	Newsletter printing (under LGA 1972, s142)	2097	124.00
Playsafety	Playground ROSPA inspection (under LG (MP) A 1976, s19)	2098	70.50
Tarporley Carnival	Carnival Stall (under LGA 1972, s142)	2099	10.00
Community Centre	Room Hire Apr (under LGA 1972, s133)	2100	26.50
Cheshire Playing Fields	Annual Subs (under LGA 1972, s143)	2101	14.00
Tarporley Carnival	Carnival Stall, Parish Plan (under LGA 1972, s142)	2102	15.00

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: precept half-year payment of £16,500

c) No claims for Parish Plan expenses.

d) It was noted that the external auditors do not act for any councillor

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- e) It was resolved to approve the risk assessment and insurance arrangements and that Cllr Parker would inspect the assets and review the accounts at 6 months
 f) It was resolved to approve and sign the annual audit return accounts for 2005/06

16. HIGHWAYS, STREET LIGHTING & STREET SCENE:

- a. Highway or lighting matters to be reported to CCC were noted.
 b. Parish contractors: It was noted that despite a written request the Footpaths Contractor had not been providing the contracted service and was not able to commit to when the service was likely to resume. It was therefore resolved to cancel the contract. The task of finding a replacement contractor or taking suitable remedial action on an urgent basis was delegated to the Clerk in consultation with the BKV Working Group. Costs to be contained to budget.
 It was noted that the Clerk would purchase some litter picking tools.

17. Correspondence and Any Other Business: for information only or to be placed on the next agenda.

A letter of thanks from Tarporley RBL for the donation towards footpath clearing was noted.

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

APP No	Location	Proposal	Comments
06-0724	3 Burton Square	Enlarge ext'n, first floor ext'n, conversion of outbuilding	No Obj.
06-0747	Doves Church Walk	Extension and alterations (amendment)	No Obj.
06-0767	7 Copperfields	Extension to rear	No Obj.
06-0727	90 High St	Shop sign	Objections

b) The following VRBC decisions were received and noted.

APP No	Location	Proposal	Comments
06-0365	9 Henry St	Conservatory / summerhouse with screening panels	Granted, conds
06-0280	115 High St	Facia sign and pylon sign	Granted, conds
06-0436	32 Torr Rise	Demotion of store, construction of utility room to rear	Granted

SIGNED: _____ DATE: _____