

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE TARPORLEY PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE COMMUNITY CENTRE COMMITTEE ROOM ON Monday 10th December 2012

PRESENT: Councillors V. Adshead, I Bennett, J Blackford, R Brierley, L Burrows, E Chapman, G Clough, J Mills, K Parker (Chairman) and D Press.

1. Open Forum: additional late planning applications not listed below 12/05160/FUL; a residents gave an update on the Daffodil Field proposed development, the application is expected to be resubmitted following some changes but access and parking may still be a problem, councillors commented on the need to write to CWaC under the new application number as previous comments would not be carried over; a visitor commented that there is a need for developments like that proposed for Birch Heath but that the village must be preserved; the proposer of the application for the British School presented aspects of the proposed changes to the property and answered Cllr's questions of clarification.
2. Start of formal business, Apologies for absence received from G Lees and CWaC Cllr E Moore-Dutton.
3. Councillor's declarations of interest and requests for dispensation under the Localism Act 2011 s33; noted the ongoing dispensations for Cllr Chapman to speak but not vote on the Brook Farm development proposal and Cllr Lees to speak but not vote on the Birch Heath Road development proposal; a request from Cllr Mills to speak but not vote on Nantwich Road & High School development proposals was approved.
4. The minutes of the meeting of the 12th November 2012 were approved and signed.
5. Dispensation under the Localism Act 2011 s33: It was resolved that all councillors be allowed a dispensation to discuss and vote on the precept as otherwise the number of persons unable to participate would be so great as to impeded the transaction of the business.
6. Councillor co-option: No applicants to fill the vacancy in the office of councillor.
7. Update on matters resolved at earlier meetings not on this Agenda: Damaged grit bin at Oathills replaced
8. PLANNING: a) Planning applications comments made by members of the public as item 1 above.

b) It was resolved that the following comments be made under TCPA 1990 Sch1 s8:

APP No	Location	Proposal	Comments
12/04893/OUT	Land rear Trap Hill Birch Heath Rd	36 dwelling sheltered housing with warden, health & fitness, lounge, garaging, parking, landscaping reserved	Obj'n
12/04123/FUL	Adj't Rupt Cottage Forest Rd	COU from ancillary accomm'n to independent dwelling	Obj'n
12/04916/COU	Chester Insurance Church Walk	COU Office to retail beauty salon	No Obj'n
12/04524/LBC	Rode St House Rode St	Repoint, replace windows & rainwater goods, plastering	Supported
12/05228/CAT	10 Bell Meadow	Fell 1 Holly tree	No Obj'n
12/05124/FUL	Cromwell Cottage Back Lanes	Erect stables (horse breeding) construct riding arena	No Obj'n
12/05017/FUL	British School Eaton Rd	Convert to 3 bed livework unit, 2 bed residential unit, extn	No Obj'n
12/05160/FUL	Tarporley High School	Two storey science block	No Obj'n

c) No comments made between meetings by the Clerk under delegated authority

d) The following CW&C decisions were received and noted.

APP No	Location	Proposal	Decision
12/04509/CAT	81 Eaton Rd	Remove 1 lime, 1 sycamore	Granted
12/04780/LDC	5 Orchard Gardens	Lean to	Issued
12/04260/CAT	10 Bell Meadow Court	Holly reduce height, Holly remove low branches	Granted
12/04263/CAT	Old Rectory High Street	4 sycamore pollards – to re-pollard annually	Granted
12/04228/FUL	4 Windsor Ave	Two storey rear & side extn (replacement) & front porch	Granted

e) Membership of the monthly planning review group, Cllr's Clough, Brierley, Bennett

9. Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group: Minutes of the 7th Nov. 2012 received and noted. A review of the project plan and tasks is in hand and work will proceed despite issues relating to Local Plan progress and the housing questionnaire will be produced. An informal meeting with the Head Teacher and Chairman of Governors of the Primary School provided a useful insight in to school capacity issues.

10. Nantwich Rd Proposed Development: Update on the situation in respect of the appeal for the proposal for 100 dwellings to the rear of 3-9 Springhill (11/04261/OUT). No new information.

11. Brook Farm Development Proposals: Noted that the public consultation will be in the New Year.

12. Christmas Lights Event: The event was considered very successful, Police support was excellent, any possible issues for risk assessment next year to Cllr Mills, resolved to donate £50 each to the Fire Service Charity collection and the Tarporley Band, thanks expressed to all who helped support the event. The Clerk to investigate the cost of LED festoons vs. transformer fed incandescent lamp festoons for replacement of defective light strings..

13. Village Square: The layout proposed by Groundwork is to be revised for agreement with the PCC and those with access rights. Payment to Groundwork for this activity to be held back pending satisfactory completion of the layout proposals.. Public consultation to take place early next year with one meeting, a leaflet distribution and a display in the new notice board. It was resolved that the Council should act as the agent to seek grant support for the proposals including for the car park and public consultation.

14. CWaC Civil Parking Introduction: It was resolved to request the attendance of an officer to review the many issues that significant changes to parking arrangements would raise.

In accordance with standing orders it was resolved to extend the meeting to 10:00pm to deal with the agenda

15. CCTV: Consideration of supporting a proposal for CCTV surveillance of the High Street to be carried to the next meeting due to the absence of PC Gigg.

16. Budget: The budget as consolidated by the Finance Working Group into the 2013-14 budget based on last year's activities, identified initiatives and Councillor suggestions was approved. It was though resolved, after considerable deliberation, that given the projected reduction in reserves and the likely significant expenditure on play area refurbishment next year that the precept be increased to £60,000.

17. Cheshire Fire Service Consultation: It was gratefully noted that no change to the Tarporley service was proposed and resolved that the Council would not comment on the detailed changes proposed elsewhere other than to express the view that service standards must be improved not reduced.

18. CWaC SEN Provision Consultation: it was resolved not to comment on the consultation.

19. Community Centre: Update on refurbishment work provided by Cllr Bennett, thanks was expressed at the Community Centre AGM for the grant from the Council that ensured that essential fire alarm and emergency lighting work could be carried out, the marketing of the centre is to be increased, energy use will be monitored and managed. Thanks were recorded to Cllr Lees for the considerable support he had provided towards the success of the centre.

20. ACCOUNTS: a) The Councillor's expenditure and income statements were received and approved and it was noted that as Cllr Lees was absent there was no inspection by a Cllr of the accounts, will catch up next month. It was noted that the budget for the year was £65,646 pro rata for 8-months £43,764 current actual approved expenditure to 8 months £57,898 bank balance £78,503 of which £20,519 is not reserved and income for 8 months was £66,167 Not all Neighbourhood Plan charges yet transferred to show as deductions from the Neighbourhood Plan balance, increased spend over budget primarily due to support for Community Centre and cemetery benches (subsidised via grants).

b) It was resolved to approve the following accounts for payment (amount in £'s)

J Macdonald	Net Wage Nov. (under LGA 1972, s112)	Chq3044	686.33
J Macdonald	Office expenses Nov. (under LGA 1972, s111, s133)	3045	44.93
J Macdonald	Computer, printer, software (under LGA 1972, s111)	3046	1008.92
Aries	Bus Hire Nov. (under LGRA 1997, s27)	3047	234.00
G Steele	Street Cleaning Nov (under LGA 1972, s137) standing order	SO	357.00
R Johnson	Footpaths Nov (under HA 1980, s43, 50,96,144, LGA 1972 s214 PCA	3048	792.00
-	1957 s1)	-	-
J Stewart	Handyman Nov (under LGA 1972, s111, HA 1980, s43, 50,96,144, PCA	3049	246.14
-	1957 s1)	-	-
Community Centre	Room Hire Nov (under LGA 1972, s133)	3050	14.00
Inland Revenue	PAYE Tax and NI (Oct,Nov,Dec) (under LGA 1972, s112)	3051	649.30
ChALC	Training Course (under LGA 1972, s111)	3052	30.00
SLCC	SLCC annual membership fee for Clerk (under LGA 1972, s111)	3053	127.00
F Robinson	Rising Sun Footpath Agreement Direct Debit (under LGA1894 s8)	DD	24.00
Okell's	Plants, peat, for winter beds (under HA 1980, s96)	3054	82.60
Tarporley DIY	Christmas celebrations paint (under LGA 1972 s144)	3055	4.50

It was resolved that street cleaning 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.

Note income cemetery fees £270, £120, minibus grants £110

c) It was resolved to approve the purchase of replacement computer equipment for Council use (as above) due to the poor performance and repair of the existing equipment and confirm that the Clerk purchased it using his own credit card but at the direction of the Council and hence VAT should be reclaimed. Resolved that two faulty Laptops to be removed from service and from the asset and insurance registers and properly disposed of, one fully working Laptop to be used as back up storage.

21. Infrastructure, Street Scene and Publicity

- Infrastructure group matters for noting or action, no meeting held.
- Street Scene group matters for noting or action, no meeting held
Play area operational update No safety issues but concern for the wear of the surface continues, our inspector reports this is a problem across the county.
- Report on PROW activities by the Council Footpath Warden, held over to next meeting.
- Responsibility and theme for the next Tarporley Talk article, Cllr Clough.

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

The Cemetery Committee is to meet in the New Year to review the "local connections" rule for burials.

SIGNED: _____ DATE: _____