

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE TARPORLEY PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE COMMUNITY CENTRE COMMITTEE ROOM ON Monday 11th April 2011

PRESENT: Councillors: J Blackford, R Brierley, L Burrows, G Clough (Chairman), T Hill, D Joyce (Vice Chairman), G Lees, H Nickson, K Parker and P Walkden-Barr. In attendance CW&C Cllr B Roberts.

1. Open Forum: Notification of additional late planning applications 11/01348/FUL 11/01337/FUL; Cheshire West and Chester Councillor Barbara Roberts informed the meeting that she will no longer be Tarporley's local councillor and was thanked by Parish Councillors for her significant hard work over many years; CW&C Officer Iwan McHenry gave an update on local issues prior to presenting a briefing on the "Growing Spaces" initiative that is aimed at identifying alternative sources of land suitable for 'allotment like' fruit and vegetable cultivation, the briefing was well received and possible ideas will be explored.
2. Start of formal business, Apologies for absence received from R Craven and J Mills.
3. Declarations of interest: Cllr Blackford declared a personal interest in item 6a) 11/01266/FUL, Cllr Clough declared a personal interest in item 12.
4. The minutes of the meeting of the 14th March 2011 were approved and signed.
5. Update on matters resolved at earlier meetings not on this Agenda: the Nantwich Rd bookmakers is to be refurbished; much of the street furniture has now been painted; the planter plaques have arrived and are with Cllr Craven for installation; the CW&C electronic planning comments system implementation is suspended until trials have taken place (Tarporley is involved).
6. PLANNING: a) It was resolved that the following comments be made under TCPA 1990 Sch1 s8:

APP No	Location	Proposal	Comments
11/00442/COU	Land at Sandiway Rode St	Use of paddock for photovoltaic panels	Objection
11/01266/FUL	8 Elm Close	Convert integral garage & erect new double garage	Objection
11/01268/FUL	5 Burton Sq	Erect timber outbuilding in rear garden	No Obj'n
11/01348/FUL	3 The Paddock	Alter and enlarge conservatory to rear (re sub)	No Obj'n
11/01337/FUL	4 The Grove	Single storey extn rear	No Obj'n

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

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

APP No	Location	Proposal	Decision
10/02621/FUL	4 Bowmere Rd	Bungalow and double garage	Refused
10/04251/ADV	Wright House, 67 High St	Aluminium hanging sign	Granted
11/00405/FUL	Tarporley High School	Single storey canteen extension	Granted

d) Review and update on planning obligations. It was noted that the latest correspondence from CW&C only identified the Heathfields project as having s106 obligations. The Clerk will identify other possible s106 developments and consult with CW&C.

7. Annual Contracts: (This item was taken at the end of the meeting.) It was resolved that under PB(AtM)A 1960 that press and public be excluded for this item due to the confidential nature of the business. It was resolved that following the interview of prospective Handyman contractors by the Clerk and Cllr's Blackford and Brierley that Mr J Stewart be offered the Handyman contract. It was resolved that the Footpaths contract be amended and renewed with Mr R Johnson and the Litter Picker contract be amended and renewed with Mr G Steele. It was resolved to approve and sign the Mower hire contract with ETC Machinery, the Community Bus contract with Aries Travel and the Weed-spraying contract with J&J Landscaping.
8. Village Map and Guide: It was noted that John Hutchinson of Club Publishing Limited was preparing a commercially based village map and guide.
9. Annual Return: It was resolved that the internal auditor for 2010/11 will be J D Henry. It was resolved to approve and sign the March 2011 Annual Return accounting and governance statements.
10. Dog Control Orders: It was resolved to support the CW&C's proposal for a Borough wide order relating to dog fouling offences and to request the inclusion of the Woodlands Way Plantation and the Community Centre field in the order.
11. Purchase of Planters and Finger posts: Following the delay in obtaining the licence from CW&C it was resolved that the Parish Council would fund the small increase in costs and agree to the minor modifications to the design of the finger post suggested by Cllr Brierley.
12. Day Centre Grant: The receipt from CW&C of a grant of £2,212.00 towards the day centre charity was noted and it was resolved that once the trust put in place a constitution, elected its officers and established a bank account the money would be granted to the charity subject to a report back on expenditure of the grant.
13. Code of Recommended Practice on Local Authority Publicity: The issue of the code was noted.
14. CW&C Rural Regeneration & Housing Strategies Consultation: It was resolved that Cllr's Joyce and Blackford would consider the Housing Strategy and Cllr's Lees and Clough the Rural Regeneration Strategy both ad-hoc teams reporting back in June.

15. ACCOUNTS: a) It was resolved to receive and approve the Councillor's expenditure and income statements and note that the Chairman had checked the accounts. It was noted that the budget for the year was £61,790 pro rata 12 months £61,790 current actual approved expenditure to 12 months £56,180 bank balance £54,781 of which £16,107 is not reserved.

b) The following accounts were approved for payment (amount in pounds).

J Macdonald	Net Wage Mar. (under LGA 1972, s112)	Chq2784	599.03
J Macdonald	Office expenses Mar. (under LGA 1972, s111, s133)	2785	34.86
Aries	Bus Hire Mar. (under LGRA 1997, s27)	2786	204.00
G Steele	Street Cleaning Mar (under LGA 1972, s137) standing order	SO	320.00
R Johnson	Footpaths Mar (under HA 1980, s43, 50,96,144, LGA 1972	2787	774.00
-	s214 PCA 1957 s1)	-	-
Community Centre	Room Hire Feb (under LGA 1972, s133)	2788	18.75
Community Centre	Room Hire Mar (under LGA 1972, s133)	2788	46.88
G Fowles	Transport plants, railing (under HA1980,s96,LG(MP)A1976,s19)	2789	50.00
Cheshire Community Action	Annual Subs (under LGA 1972, s143)	2790	50.00
F Morrey	Plants for Burton Sq (under HA 1980, s96)	2791	38.50
IAE	Railings for play area (LG(MP)A1976,s19)	2792	536.06
Signs of the Times	Plaques for planters (under HA 1980, s96,)	2793	350.00
P Willis	Photocopies, Stationery for exhibition (LGA 1972, s145)	2794	66.62

It was resolved the 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 interest £7.22 (March), day centre grant £2,212, minibuss grant (March) £104

Years VAT reclaim £1,197.42 to be submitted

16. Infrastructure, Street Scene and Publicity

- a. Infrastructure group matters for noting or action; no meeting held, Cllr Nickson will prepare the annual report.
- b. Street Scene group matters for noting or action; the placing of dog bins by CW&C was gratefully noted, concern was expressed that despite previous requests by the Council for dog bins the current initiative by CW&C on dog bins seemed to be a response to requests by the public more so than from the Council. Attention is needed by CW&C to the Rising Sun car park and from BT to the red phone box.
- c. Responsibility and theme for the next Tarporley Talk articles; April Cllr Clough, May Street Scene, June Infrastructure.

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

An invitation to the Twinning Association dinner was declined.

The Council's objection to the CW&C proposed move to electronic planning consultation has been noted by local MP Stephen O'Brien.

The Council has been advised by local MP Stephen O'Brien of the establishment of a Forestry Advisory Panel.

A letter has been distributed to Church Walk residents and businesses regarding a littering problem.

A request to repeat the Heritage open day has been received, Cllr Brierley will respond.

The CW&C Local Development Framework consultation continues with information web pages that will accept further comments available via the CW&C website.

Working Group reports are needed for the May meeting and consideration of candidates for Chairman and Deputy is needed.

The annual insurance premium with AON has increased by 10% £2,712.03 to £3,003.02

Thanks were recorded to Parish Councillors Roy Craven, Heidi Nickson and Patrick Walkden-Barr for their service to the Council and Community; they have not stood for re-election in May 2011.

Thanks were recorded to Cheshire West and Chester Councillors Barbara Roberts, Andrew Needham and John Grimshaw who will not be representing Tarporley after the May 2011 elections.

Thanks were recorded to Bron Kerrigan who is leaving the post of Parish Plans Development Officer at Cheshire Community Action.

SIGNED: _____ DATE: _____