

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE TARPORLEY PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE COMMUNITY CENTRE COMMITTEE ROOM ON Monday 14th February 2011

PRESENT: Councillors: J Blackford, R Brierley, L Burrows, G Clough (Chairman), T Hill, D Joyce, G Lees, J Mills, H Nickson, K Parker and P Walkden-Barr. In attendance CW&C Cllr's A Needham and B Roberts.

1. Open Forum: Notification of additional late planning applications 10/04205/FU; PCSO Emily Benson reported that there had been no significant incidents in the village during the last month and that a mobile unit had provided an opportunity to comment on the forthcoming Police budget; CW&C Officer Jeremy Owens gave briefing on planning matters relating to the Localism Bill and Neighbourhood Plans, Mr Owens was thanked for his excellent presentation; CW&C Cllr Needham gave an update on concerns over the possible sale of Delamere Forest and on the affordable housing proposed at the Heathfields development.
2. Start of formal business, Apologies received from R Craven,
3. Declarations of interest: Cllr Parker declared a personal interest in item 7.
4. The minutes of the meeting of the 10th January 2011 were approved and signed.
5. Update on matters resolved at earlier meetings not on this Agenda: Incident reporting leaflets distributed in Tarporley talk and to some village outlets, more copies provided for councillors to distribute; the Day Centre initiative grant application was not successful and a new submission will be made; the Chairman attended the CW&C Scrutiny Committee where the lack of a feedback process for the Street Cleaning standard was raised; Cllr Blackford has identified shops that would be willing to help with grit salting and will also pursue the possibility of an additional street light on Birch Heath.
6. PLANNING: a) It was resolved that the following comments be made under TCPA 1990 Sch1 s8:

APP No	Location	Proposal	Comments
10/04192/LBC	Done Room High St	Internal alterations	No Objn
10/04251/ADV	Wright House 67 High St	Aluminium Hanging Sign	No Objn
10/04205/FUL	North Lodge Cobblers Cross Ln	First floor rear and two storey side extn with balcony	Objection

Noted that the Chairman will represent the Council at the Planning Board re 10/04205/FUL North Lodge Cobblers Cross Lane and CW&C Cllr Roberts will call in the application.

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
09/01909/COU	4 The Avnue	COU to operate 2 private hire vehicles	Granted
10/02286/FUL	5 Burton Ave	Two storey rear extn	Granted
10/02336/FUL	Birch Heath Barn Birch Heath Rd	Conversion of garage/stable to living accommodation	Granted
10/02626/FUL	Brook Farm School	COU to Community Church (renewal)	Granted
10/02627/ADV	Brook Farm School	Free standing sign (renewal)	Granted

d) Review and update on planning obligations, the Clerk is in contact with Mr I Hughes of CW&C who is assembling a list of s106 obligations.

7. Grants procedure: Cllr's Joyce, Lees, Mills and Nickson had considered both applications and it was resolved that grants of £200 be awarded to Tarporley RBL Allotment Holders and the 2nd Tarporley Guides.
8. Handyman Annual Contract: The retirement of the Handyman Geoff Fowles who had provided the service from 1994 to 2010 was noted and thanks was recorded to Geoff for his excellent service, the Clerk was requested to obtain a suitable commemorative item. It was resolved that the availability of the contract is to be advertised with a view to engaging a local self employed person.
9. Historic Photograph Exhibition, Community Centre 12th March: It was resolved that up to £200 would be provided towards costs and that Cllr's Blackford, Clough & Joyce would assist Cllr Brierley with the Parish Council information stand.
10. CW&C Draft Rights of Way Plan Consultation: It was resolved that Cllr Brierley would solicit the views of local walkers and report back to the March meeting.
11. Heathfields Footpath Diversion / Temporary Closure: Resolved not to object to the proposed diversion but to request the clear marking of the new route through the site and the minimisation of the closure period.
12. Community Pride Competition: It was resolved to limit this year's entry to the Community Pride award.
13. CW&C Planters and Finger Post Licence: The licence was approved and signed.
14. Forestry Commission Sell Off: It was resolved to object to the Government proposal and respond to the consultation with a copy to Stephen O'Brien MP. It was noted that the preservation of recreational access and related public ownership was paramount for forests such as Delamere. It was considered that even for remote and rarely visited forests the right to roam must be preserved.
15. ACCOUNTS: a) It was resolved to receive and approve the Councillor's expenditure and income statements and note that the Chairman checked the accounts. It was noted that the budget for the year was £61,790 pro rata 10 months £51,491 current actual approved expenditure to 10 months £50,843 bank balance £59,451 of which £21,317 is not reserved.

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

J Macdonald	Net Wage Jan. (under LGA 1972, s112)	Chq2763	625.26
J Macdonald	Office expenses Jan. (under LGA 1972, s111, s133)	2764	28.00
Aries	Bus Hire Jan. (under LGRA 1997, s27)	2765	163.20
G Steele	Street Cleaning Jan (under LGA 1972, s137) standing order	SO	320.00
R Johnson	Footpaths Jan (under HA 1980, s43, 50,96,144, LGA 1972	2766	578.00
-	s214 PCA 1957 s1)	-	-
Community Centre	Room Hire Dec (under LGA 1972, s133)	2767	28.13
Community Centre	Room Hire Jan (under LGA 1972, s133)	2767	9.38
C Broster	Christmas lights energy (under LGA 1972 s144)	2768	67.91
ScottishPower	Christmas lights energy (under LGA 1972 s144)	2769	27.12
Delmar Press	Leaflets, re incident reporting etc. (under LGA 1972 s142)	2770	135.00

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 Cemetery fees £450, £10, £120, community bus grant £88

16. Infrastructure, Street Scene and Publicity

- a. Infrastructure group matters for noting or action: no meeting held; noted that the Youth Club is one year old and has 65 members, there is an urgent need for adult volunteer assistants.
- b. Street Scene group matters for noting or action; the public notice board needs repairing; Community Pride issues from last year circulated; Cllr Hill will prepare a planting scheme for Burton Square.
- c. Responsibility and theme for the next Tarporley Talk articles; March – Street Scene (RB), April - Day Centre (GC) Youth Club (JM) Elections (Clerk), May – Street Scene Community Pride

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

Localism Bill and Neighbourhood Plans Training; the comprehensive presentation on this topic by Mr Owens in the open forum is noted as introductory Councillor training on this topic.

Reminder about elections, next years chairman / vice-chairman and annual reports needed for May

Increase in Community Centre fees noted

Noted Forest Rd apple store was severely damaged by a falling tree during the recent storms

Dog bin installed in Park Rd for the Woodlands Way Plantation following a display in village by CW&C

Note that some PC's have increased their precepts in response to the withdrawal of grants by CW&C

Note complaints re the untidiness of the bins at the back of premises off Henry Street

SIGNED: _____ DATE: _____