

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF TATTENHALL & DISTRICT PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 6<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2017 IN THE BARBOUR INSTITUTE AT 7.30PM

PRESENT

Cllr. Matthews (in the Chair)

Cllrs. Haynes, Weaver, Chapman, White, Blackhurst, Jones, Kershaw and Sharp

Open Forum

Before the official business of the Council commences there will a period of approximately 15 minutes for members of the public to have the opportunity to comment, and raise questions, on matters affecting the parish.

A number of items were raised: Hedge cutting Keysbrook – still awaiting action from Highways. The grass verge at the Park School Entrance - Clerk had reported this. Parking in the village is still a problem – We were shown a photograph of a CW&C Highway Maintenance Vehicle parked on the High Street near the junction of near The Letters Inn. Footpath at the Blackham site.

APOLOGIES

16/186. Apologies from Cllrs. Spencer, Pritchard, Black, Keeping and Scarratt were received and accepted.

DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

16/187. There were no Declarations of Interest

MINUTES

16/188. **Resolved:** The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 6<sup>th</sup> February 2017 were approved and signed as a correct record

MATTERS ARISING

16/189 To Report on Matters Arising from the Minutes on 6<sup>th</sup> February 2017 and not covered by the Agenda

Hedge on Park Avenue/Keysbrook needs cutting – Still no further news. The Clerk is still looking into this.

Flooding at junction of Tattenhall Road/Park Avenue - Cllr. Jones had arranged a meeting with James Orme from CW&C before the Planning Meeting on the 20<sup>th</sup> March 2017 starting at 6.45pm

Parking in village – Chester West and Chester had held the drop-in event for residents to get involved in their Parking Strategy Consultation for the village on the 9<sup>th</sup> February 2017 in the Barbour Institute 3.30pm – 6.30pm. The Parish Council are still going to arrange the meeting with Highways, Police and Parish Council and members of the public will be invited to attend to give their views.

Pond on Redrow Development – Chestnut Grange – This was now in the hands of Redrow and Enforcement Officer. Andrew Hull reported on his finding as a Landscape Ecologist and Cllr. Weaver had spoken with residents. We are now waiting for further information and Cllr. Weaver will keep the residents informed.

CASUAL VACANCY

16/190. We had received a letter of resignation from Cllr. Christine Snowden. This is due to work increased work commitments. The Clerk will inform CW&C Democratic Services and put up the Notice declaring the Casual Vacancy and await a reply from CW&C in fourteen days as to whether or not an election will be called. She would also write to Christine thanking her for all the work she has done during her office as Parish Cllr.

ACCOUNTS

16/191. a) Balance in Bank at 24.2.17

Business Reserve	69128.38 (Inc. Int. 66p, NPI £400
Current	10.00

b) To approve purchase of Union Jack Flag under S137 Agreement. It was proposed by Cllr. Kershaw, seconded Cllr. Blackhurst that the Union Jack Flag be purchased under the S137 Agreement at a cost of approx £110. All were in favour. Resolved: The Union Jack Flag be purchased under S137 Agreement at a cost of approx. £110. The Clerk to order it.

b) To approve cheques for payment

J Dutton - Salary	725.79
J Dutton - Reimburse purchase of new Accounts Book	76.74
The Barbour Institute – Room Hire Jan/Feb 2017	102.50
P & JH Miles – Christmas Trees	291.00
A. McGrath – Re-imburse Mulled Wine for Christmas Event	36.00
SSE – Floodlighting War Memorial - Jan and Feb 2017	10.18
National CLT Network C10 – Model Rules and Sponsorship Service	325.00

ACCOUNTS  
(Cont.)

It was proposed by Cllr. Haynes, seconded by Cllr. White that the above cheques be approved for payment. All were in favour. **Resolved:** The above cheques are approved for payment.

FINANCIAL  
MATTERS

16/192. Annual Report – Cllr. Scarratt has this in hand.

Barbour Institute - Letter re Rent Increase. We had received a letter from the Barbour Institute that there will be a rent increase from the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2017 of £1.00 per hour for just the Hall and Billiard Room to cover rising energy and staff costs.

PLANNING

16/193. **Resolved:** The minutes of the Planning Meeting held on the 20<sup>th</sup> February 2017 were approved and signed as a correct record.

Planning Protocol – The Parish Council had emailed Planning expressing our disappointment with their decision to cease sending out paper Planning Applications. We had received a reply from Nial Casselden saying he would firstly just clarify that we have only ceased sending paper copies by default. We will continue to send out paper copies for individual applications if requested, with requests in writing sent to the planning@ email address.

A large part of the reason behind the change is to encourage PCs to think from the outset about whether they really do need paper plans for everything. Most applications are very small in scale, sit within policy and elicit either no comment or no objection. There should be little or no difference in viewing plans for those type of application on screen rather than on paper. In encouraging this initial ‘triage’, we feel it would allow a greater focus on the bigger schemes that will have a broader community impact. We want to encourage dialogue and have changed our notifications to provide direct contact details, even if there isn’t a case officer from the start. We do greatly value our relationship with Parish and Town Councils and the offer to come and visit to talk about any planning matter is always there.

Local Plan Working Group - Councillor Weaver drew members attention to a report that had been issued by Cheshire West and Chester Council’s Local Plan Working Group. As Tattenhall & District Parish Council hadn’t felt able to allocate sites for housing development sites had been submitted by other parties and Cheshire West Council would now make the decision as to which would be brought forward. Cllr Weaver felt that this was disappointing and a lost opportunity for the Parish Council and hoped that the decision did not rebound on them in the future

Email from resident re Planning Decision on Planning Application 16/04962/FUL – 11 Newall Close – This was read out and Cllr. Weaver took the email to look at and draft a response.

Electoral Review – The Parish Council have now received a copy of the presentation on 1<sup>st</sup> February.

Neighbourhood Plan Review – A meeting is being arranged with Rosie Morgan.

COMMUNITY  
SAFETY  
COMMITTEE

16/194. A meeting of the Community Safety Committee will be held on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2017. A number of items will be discuss including Operation Shield and parking on High Street. An Open Meeting will be held following this.

MAINTEN-  
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WORKING  
GROUP

16/195. The Month 3 Inspection Report had been circulated to all Cllrs. Following this report there are some issues which needed to be looked at the Spinney. The fence is down on Spinney path and trees leaning on it. There is the broken fence by Spinney Bridge and Glebe Meadow Fence on Footpath No 6 all to be looked into.

Grass & Hedge cutting April – October 2017 – Cornelius Riekert had put in his quote for this which work was the same as last season and the Parish Council are happy with his work it was proposed by Cllr. Chapman seconded by Cllr. Blackhurst that he carries on for this season. All were in favour. Clerk to inform him of this decision.

PLAY AREA

16/196. As Cllrs. Black and Pritchard were not present to report. The meeting with John Seiler from CW&C on 17<sup>th</sup> February 2017 with the Play Area Working Group had gone well

COMMUNITY  
LAND TRUST

16/197. Forms have been despatched to the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA). They had a couple of queries as to whether or not we want to be a charity (which will restrict future activities of any CLT) or not. We do not want to restrict the conduct of CLT in the future so they have been advised non-charitable status. They have asked for the fee of £325 which has been included in the cheques for payment above. The funds are to come from the Members Budget money held by the Parish Council on CLT’s behalf. Cllrs. Chapman and Spencer went to Farndon to speak on CLT. Several Board Members have also met with two developers who have shown an interest in working with Tattenhall CLT

TATTENHALL  
ROAD  
RAILWAY  
STATION

16/198. Looking now at what needs to be put together and its slowly moving ahead.

DAMAGED  
MILLENIUM  
MILE POST

16/199. The Clerk had emailed Public Rights of Way to find out if they can help. They could possibly fund a Waymarker Post but due to current resources not an oak one. We could possibly ask our Ward Cllr. for a contribution. The Footpath Society are would not be able to fund one. Clerk now to look for further quotes – Cllr. Blackhurst suggested with ask Bolesworth who made the one for the Church.

CW&C  
STREET  
NAMING

16/200. Following our decision last month for the name for the new Redrow Development Shire Way. Although we had been informed that this had been accepted we received an email from Matthew Morris to say Redrow have asked them to put forward some alternative street names for the scheme at Smithfields as the developer is not keen on Shire Way which was our first choice. These were 1. Fell Meadows 2. The Shires 3. Fell View 4. Meadow Brook. This was discussed and the following suggestion was put forward as there are some large and beautiful Oak Trees on the site the name 'Oakfields' this would carry on from Castlefields and Smithfields. Although Cllrs. still liked Shire Way. Clerk to inform Matthew.

GATESHEATH  
ALLOTMENTS

16/201. A notice has been put on the Notice Board and websites. We have had a request for the allotment plot and a awaiting confirmation.

DIARY DATES

16/202. Planning Meeting – 20<sup>th</sup> March 2017 Barbour Institute at 7.30pm.

CORRESPON-  
DENCE

16/203. To receive correspondence (for information only or to be put on the next Agenda)  
No correspondence

**STANDING ITEMS WHERE NO REPORT IS BEING PRESENTED** - No Items

**PENDING** – CW&C Structural Maintenance Rolling Programme, Planning Training Sessions, Ban recently introduced on dogs on the Recreation Ground Tattenhall

The meeting closed at 9.05pm