

# **TIVERTON & TILSTONE FEARNALL**

## **PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the meeting of Tiverton & Tilstone Fearnall Parish Council held on **Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November** at 7.30 in St Jude's Church Hall

### **Present:**

Councillor: H Lightfoot (in the Chair, see apologies)

Cllrs: J Chambers, P Moore, L Randles, A Wilson, L Woodhouse

4 members of the public

### **1) 046/24.25 – Discussion with PC / PCSO re Local Issues**

There were no members of Cheshire Constabulary in attendance

### **2) 047/24.25 - Open Forum**

Residents from the Railway Cottages came to discuss the complaints that had been received about vehicles parking outside those properties.

The issue of speeding throughout the Parish was again raised and requests made for the Speed Indicator Device (SID) and / or the police enforcement vehicle to be deployed in the Parish.

Some residents said that they would be willing to do the Speedwatch training and form a Speed watch group

**Action point 1: Clerk to contact the PCSO to request that speed enforcement be carried out in the Parish particularly on the A49; to arrange for the deployment of SID in Tiverton village and to inform her that residents are willing to form a Speedwatch group**

**Action Point 2: Clerk to contact the Clerk at Huxley & Hargrave PC to ask about their SID machine**

The Chairman of the village hall committee announced that the AGM would take place on 19<sup>th</sup> November and again made a plea for people to join the committee. If no-one comes forward the hall may close

### **3) 048/24.25 – Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for Absence were received, and approved, from Cllr Sharma who was unwell and Cllr Growney due to family illness.

Ward Cllr Jones also sent apologies due to business commitments.

### **4) 049/24.25 – Co-option of Councillor**

The Clerk had informed Cheshire West and Chester Council of a Casual Vacancy and the relevant notices had been displayed. The PC had not been informed that an election had been requested and it so could now co-opt. if anyone know someone who may be interested in becoming a Parish Councillor please ask them to apply to the Clerk.

### **5) 050/24.25 - Declarations of Interest**

Cllr Woodhouse declared a Pecuniary Interest in Agenda Item 8, planning, as the owner of Briar Lea

### **6) 051/24.25 – Minutes**

It was unanimously agreed that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2024 were a correct record. In the absence of the Chairman the Vice - Chairman signed the minutes.

### **7) 052/24.25 – Clerks Report**

Post Box & Phone Box: BT had been in touch and said that the phone box was down for repainting next Summer. Enquiries are still being made about the post box.

ChALC AGM: Cllr Lightfoot and the Clerk had attended this. It had been an interesting evening with stands from Manchester Airport and two play equipment companies. Several motions had been proposed including the one from TTF PC regarding the lack of communication from CW&C. PC's from Cheshire East and Halton & Warrington raised the same issue and so it was agreed that ChALC would circulate a survey to members to ascertain how widespread across the authorities this issue was.

Letter to CEO: to be completed

## 8) 053/24.25 – Planning

i) Planning Applications – No new planning applications had been received

ii) Decision Notices – All Decision Notices received since the last meeting were noted on the Planning Register.

iii) Planning Committee – No comments submitted

iv) Enforcement Matters: The Enforcement Officer had visited Williams Cottage / Highfields and stated that the extra buildings were still there as works had not yet been completed. She had advised them that planning permission (retrospective) would be required for the second gateway with walls

v) Neighbourhood Plan – A meeting with Beeston PC is to be held to discuss the review of the NP.

## 9) 054/24.25 – Highways

i) Highways Issues – The spreadsheet of highways issues had been updated and circulated.

ii) New Issues – There was some fly tipping on Crib Lane opposite the junction with Pudding Lane. This has been reported by residents.

## 10) 055/24.25 – Financial Report and Accounts for Payment

i) Balances in the bank were as follows:

Date	Current Account	Business Reserve Acct	Interest (rec'd 1 <sup>st</sup> Monthly)
1 <sup>st</sup> September	996.00	11,440.25	13.72
1 <sup>st</sup> October	1,333.07	9,953.50	13.25
	£	£	

Notes: November bank statements not yet received

£1,500 was transferred from BR account to Current account on 16<sup>th</sup> September

ii) Budget Figures – Cllrs reviewed the budget figures to end of October noting the Clerks salary paid by Standing Order. All expenditure was on target.

iii) It was noted that prior to the meeting an agreed payment of £50 had been made to Probyn Ltd for the Internal Audit

iv) November Payments – The Clerk informed members of the Public Sector pay increase, backdated to 1<sup>st</sup> April, which applied to Town & Parish Clerk and presented the figures for backpay and future salary .

Invoices detailed below were considered for payment

Carol Spencer	Expenses for lamppost poppies and spring bulbs	£99.99
Carol Spencer	Clerks Backpay	£76.40
James Newman	Hedge Cutting by A49 Bus Stop	£260.00
Royal British Legion	Poppy Wreath	£25.00*

\*This had not been received but the Clerk asked for permission to pay it on receipt

**Resolved: That the above payments be made. All were in favour**

iv) Future Expenditure: - War Memorial: A third quotation had been received and was different in cost to the other two. It was agreed that after Christmas we agree a specification with the Conservation Officer which can then be sent to and companies wishing to quote

## 11) 056/24.25 – Parish Projects

i) Traffic Calming – Plans to place a large planter(s) on the wide grass verge approaching the village on Huxley Lane are still ongoing. Licences from Highways to be applied for

**Action Point 3: Clerk to apply for the relevant licences**

ii) Smithy Green Trees and Benches – Spring bulbs have been planted; thanks to those who helped. It is still proposed to put benches and possibly some more trees on the Green and its surrounds but this will be reconsidered in the Spring.

The hedge by the bus stop has been cut

iii) Maintenance Plan – the drawing up of a maintenance plan is ongoing as is the setting up of a maintenance working group

#### **12) 057/24.25 – The Dale & Townfield Lane**

No updates on funding for the repairs has been received from Estates. This is one of the items to be raised with the CW&C CEO.

#### **13) 058/24.25 – Beeston & Tarporley Station Reopening Group**

Central Government has announced the scrapping of the “Restoring Your Railways” Fund. However, the plan to reopen the station had previously been removed from this and so that group is hopeful that they will still be able to proceed.

#### **14) 059/24.25 - Parish Council Website**

The Clerk had information from two approved providers of “gov.uk” email addresses. Both would also be able to manage the website. A meeting of the website working group to be called. Cllr Woodhouse is interested in being involved with this as he has some ideas for the website

#### **15) 060/24.25 – Membership of External Bodies**

Roger Cheshire has resigned as the PC’s representative on the Bunbury Charities board so a new member will be required. Cllrs asked for further information about what this entailed

##### **Action Point 4: Clerk to contact Bunbury Charities for more information**

Tiverton Village Hall had invited Council members to the AGM and also asked if the PC would be interested in having a representative on the committee. Cllr Moore offered to attend

#### **16) 061/24.25 – School Transport Provision in Tiverton**

No updates had been received on this matter. This is to be raised in the letter to the CEO

##### **Action Point 5: - Clerk to write to Chief Executive re the ongoing issues in the Parish that CW&C officers have not responded to.**

#### **17) 062/24.25 - Date and Time of Next Meeting**

The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> January at 7.30 in Tiverton Village Hall.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 20.20 pm

**Signed:....Cllr A Sharma..... (Chairman).**

**Dated:....14<sup>th</sup> January 2025....**

#### **Parish Council Meetings will take place on the following dates:**

Tuesday 11 March

St Jude’s Church hall, Tilstone Fearnall

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May

Tiverton Village Hall (includes Annual PARISH Meeting and Annual Parish Council Meeting)

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> July

St Jude’s Church Hall

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> September

Tiverton Village Hall

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> November

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