

TINGEWICK PARISH COUNCIL

DRAFT MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON 3rd SEPTEMBER 2009

PRESENT:	Cllr Smith	-	Chairman
	Cllr Fenemore	-	Vice Chair
	Cllr Swinburne	-	Councillor
	Cllr Thurlby	-	Councillor
	Cllr Poil	-	Councillor
	Cllr Collins	-	Councillor
	Dawn Rogers	-	Clerk

IN ATTENDANCE: 2 members of the public

133 **Apologies:** None

134 **Declarations of Interest**

None

The Chairman declared a beneficial interest in item 139, planning applications 09/01230/ALB and 09/01298/APP being the Chairman of the Governors of Roundwood School.

135 **To approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on 2nd July 2009**

Approved. Proposed: Cllr Poil Seconded: Cllr Swinburne

136 **Matters Arising for information and reports only**

Item 95 - The Fault Reporting Sheet is in progress.

Action: Chairman

Item 102 - An appropriate sign to advise against dog fouling to be identified.

Action: Cllr Thurlby

Item 102 - A response from AVDC's Definitive Map Team Leader will be followed up.

Action: Cllr Poil

Item 102 - The school has been notified of the problems highlighted in the playground safety inspection report.

Item 104 - A response has not been received from BCC regarding signs at Water Stratford.

Action: Clerk

Item 104 - A second reminder letter was sent to Cllr Cadd without response. It was agreed to write again expressing concern over the lack of response.

Action: Clerk & Chairman

Item 108 - The Diocese has acknowledged receipt of the Chairman's letter regarding the allotments and has advised that they are liaising with their agents and will provide a substantive response.

Item 123 - Street Furniture - The replacement litter bin that was to be placed outside The Laurel's has been situated outside the bus stop on Main Street by Stockley's Lane. Agreed that it will remain.

Request received to relocate the litter bin at The Laurel's. It was noted that the bin would need to be placed on a pole and as there is no additional pole it may not be possible to relocate.

Item - 123 - A copy of the key to the new lock at the chapel to be passed to the chairman.

Action: Cllr Collins

137 **County Councillors Reports**

None

138 **District Councillor's Report**

None

Open Forum

A request was received as to whether the Parish Council would allow a Sports Day to be held at the recreation ground for the village children on the last bank holiday in May 2010. It was generally felt that this would be good for the parish and further information was requested. It was agreed that it would be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.

Information was given to the Council by Mr Roberts that the resurfacing of Main Street has been cancelled due to budget constraints. No communication had been received by the Parish Council from Highways.

The working arrangements for the new Highways dept, now outsourced to Ringway Jacobs and operating under the title of 'Transport for Buckinghamshire' are not clear and a senior officer has agreed to give a presentation about the current situation to Parish Council prior to the PC meeting on 5th November. An agenda item will be included in the PC meeting to consider any actions arising. A public meeting will be arranged should any actions arise that require it. A report was received that the newly laid area at the junction of the road to Gawcott is subsiding. Advised to contact Highways on Call.

The location of the pinch point at the entrance to village was raised. It was noted that this matter has been discussed extensively by the Parish Council on previous occasions and that it will remain in situ.

139 Planning

09/01230/ALB- Roundwood County Primary School, Main Street, Tingewick - No objections

09/01298/APP- Roundwood County Primary School, Main Street, Tingewick - No objections

09/01469/ATP - 31 The Maltings, Tingewick - No objections

140 Accounts

See Appendix for details of transactions and budget report.

Transactions approved.

Proposed: Cllr Thurlby Seconded: Cllr Fenemore

Information regarding higher interest savings accounts with the Parish Council's current bank was provided. It was agreed that the rates were still low. Further information regarding other accounts is to be obtained. **Action: Clerk**

141 Councillors' Reports and Items for Future Agenda

Street Lighting and Street Furniture

Nothing to report

Footpaths

Footpath 24/1 will be closed from the 05.10.09 to the 06.11.09 for cable laying. Information regarding the closure to be placed in the Tingewick news. **Action: Clerk**

Cemetery and Grass cutting (Burial Records and Plans)

It was agreed to purchase two new registers which are required.

The memorial tablets in the Garden of Remembrance require edging. Mr Styles to be requested to carry out the work. **Action: Cllr Collins**

It was agreed that a mixture of roses and lavender will be planted at the Garden of Remembrance. **Action: Cllr Collins**

A list of the graves affected by subsidence to be passed to Heritage for advice **Action: Clerk**

Concerns regarding the agreed maintenance schedule of the churchyard have been received. Cllr Collins to liaise with Mr Smith and Mr Styles **Action: Cllr Collins.**

Recreation Ground

It was agreed that the most effective way to vandal proof the toilet block and pavilion would be to fit steel mesh doors and window covers. A quotation from Casswell Maintenance was received. Agreed to obtain second quotation. **Action: Clerk**

Work to realign the kissing gate at the entrance to the recreation field has commenced.

The systems in the toilets and pavilion to be drained. **Action: Cllr Fenemore**

A set of the recreation ground keys to be obtained and passed to Cllr Fenemore. **Action: Cllr Collins**

Playground and Pond

An emergency repair has been made to the safety surface in the playground.

Correspondence from DCM received: 2009/09/55. Agreed to proceed with 'Option 1' to relay the perimeter safety surface and to bond to the tarmac, provided that it can be established that it is likely that the solution will last a reasonable period.

Special Projects

Village of Year Competition 2009 - Tingewick was not placed

Best Kept Village Competition 2009 - Tingewick received a 'Certificate of Merit', The certificate to be framed and

placed in the Village Hall.

It was noted that the Notice Board by the village shop requires painting. Enquiries to be made. **Action: Chairman**

142 Proposed Mass Burn Incinerator at Lower Greatmoor Farm

Correspondence 2009/09/23 from Richard Howard & Co, Solicitors, received requesting support for the opposition to the project. After discussion the Parish Council did not feel able to support the request. **Action: Clerk**

143 Correspondence

2009/09/27 - Torkilsden Barclay - Review of recreational facilities - Received

2009/09/51 - Heritage - Memorial Application - Approved

2009/09/57 - Support for Buckingham Hospital - Agreed that the Parish Council would write in support of the hospital and to express concern over the transfer of inpatient care from local GPs. **Action: Clerk**

2009/09/56 - Buckinghamshire Community Action - Annual Reception - Received

144 Pond Safety Report

Report was received and it was noted that no concerns were raised or action required.

It was noted that straw can block the pond outlets and cause the water levels to rise, with a consequent risk of flooding. The continued failure of Mr Brooks to action or respond to correspondence sent to him this year and the previous year is concerning. Advice to be sought as to enforcement from BALC **Action: Chairman**

145 Community Speedwatch

Report received that one of the four parish councils that had agreed to purchase the scheme no longer wishes to be involved. It was agreed that before the Parish Council could agree to commit further expenditure to the project information should be obtained to ensure that there are sufficient resources in the village to utilise it.

A list of volunteers to be collected and a rota of users to be provided to the next meeting for further discussion

Action: Cllr Diston

146 Recreation Ground Development

A meeting of the Recreation Ground sub-group will take place on 21st October 2009 at 7.30 in the Village Hall.

147 Road Repairs

As discussed above during Open Forum.

148 Parish Website

To be considered at the next meeting on the 1st October 2009.

149 Allotments

As above, a letter has been written to the Diocese and a substantive response is awaited.

150 Parish Plan/School Council

Roundwood school will be approached to enquire whether their school council would be prepared to act as a voice for the younger people in the village. **Action: Chairman**

151 Affordable Housing

Chairman has met with developers and negotiations are still ongoing as to a suitable site.

A request was made for the developers to consider the views of the Village Design Statement Group.

There will be a public consultation open day on Wednesday 25th November 2009, plans from which will also be available at the December Parish Council Meeting. Further details of the open day will be advised later.

152 Village Appraisal/Village Design Statement

The Village Design Statement has been submitted for editing.

132 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will take place on Thursday 1st October 2009 at 8.00pm in the Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 11.05pm