**TINTWISTLE PARISH COUNCIL**

**Meeting held on Monday 18th July 2016 at 7.30pm**

Councillors Present: W Clarke Apologies: K Lester

P Jenner

J Crossland

S Grace

J Jackson

D Marshall

G Ralph

T Smith-Lowe

M Stevenson

**9028 APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Councillor K Lester.

**9029 MINUTES OF 20TH JUNE 2016**

The minutes were proposed by Councillor Grace and seconded by Councillor Marshall with all in favour that they be approved.

**9030 DEFIBRILLATOR**

Funds have been raised by the people of the village and £2,500 donated towards the total cost of a defibrillator. Sharon Whiting, involved in organising the scheme was invited to the meeting to discuss the defibrillator with the Parish Councillors. She explained the defibrillator will be easily accessible and placed on the wall at the Conservative Club on New Road.

Anyone needing to use the defibrillator just dials 999 and will be informed by the operator on how to work it.

Once the defibrillator is in place the apparatus will need to be checked approximately every two weeks. Sharon Whiting explained she would continue to hold coffee mornings to raise funds to help maintain the defibrillator.

It was proposed to purchase the defibrillator in the Parish Councils’ name. This will enable the VAT to be claimed back. The reclaimed money can then be used for replacement batteries and maintenance. Proposed by Councillor Clarke and seconded by Councillor Jenner with all in favour.

The Parish Council thanked Sharon Whiting for her hard work in organising the defibrillator.

**9031 DCC**

A circular was distributed regarding a temporary road closure. To close Hadfield Road, Hadfield from its junction with Newlands Drive to its junction with Queens Street from 25th July to 15th August 2016 to facilitate gas mains replacement works.

**9032 HPBC**

High Peak Borough Council has introduced a new service where residence can leave unwanted small electrical items (e.g. hairdryers, kettles, radios) for collection and recycling. Items to be placed next to the black or green lidded bin on collection day.

**9033 DALC**

A circular was distributed with information including the following – DALC training – Bus Service Bill and DALC Annual Executive and AGM.

**9034 REPORT BY BOROUGH COUNCILLOR**

Councillor Jenner reported on the referendum results for High Peak. High Peak had a 75.7% turnout.

Remain 27,116 (49.5%), Leave 27,717 (50.5%) – majority 601 (1.09%).

The following are the dates for the next Borough Councillor surgeries.

Monday, 19th September – 17th October – 21st November and 12th December 2016.

Councillor Jenner requested holding the December’16 Parish Council meeting on Monday the 12th. All agreed.

Remembrance Sunday is on the 13th of November 2016.

**9035 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENTS AND RECEIPTS**

The accounts were proposed by Councillor Jenner and seconded by Councillor Crossland with all in favour that they be approved.

**9036 ALLOTMENTS**

An inspection has been carried out on a number of allotments under review. The report showed some improvement. The progress on these allotments will continue to be monitored.

Councillor Grace mentioned he had arranged a site meeting with agricultural consultant M Gillespie. The meeting went well. The poplar trees on Conduit Street are healthy and there are no concerns.

Checks and reports carried out on the trees on Sexton Street playing fields showed a number of trees are dying or diseased and as agreed they need to come down and be replaced. Councillor Grace explained the paper work has been sent to High Peak Borough Council planning for consent. The felling licence has also gone in. Councillor Grace informed the Parish Council it is likely the contractors will commence work at the start of next year. The Sexton Street site will have to be closed, for safety, while the work is being carried out.

Councillor Grace suggested it would be a good idea to use the wood from the larger tree trunks to make commemorative benches to be placed around the village.

Councillor Stevenson mentioned she had done some back ground work on the woodland trust regarding the types of trees to plant to replace the poplar trees. She is looking into the application process.

**9037 TIDY TINSLE**

Councillor Stevenson mentioned starting up the tidy tinsle campaign again. She has already been approached by a number of people keen to get involved. The group would need to decide on a day to clean. Refreshments to be provided.

**9038 FACILITIES FOR YOUTH**

Councillor Jenner is planning on contacting the University of Derby and Tameside College when the term starts back again. Some students may have an interest in volunteering for the youth club as part of their course.

**9039 WEBSITE**

An article was placed in the local newspaper advertising for web developers. The Parish Council was informed a number of applications have been received. Councillor Stevenson mentioned the idea of getting young people involved with the website – what their ideas are, what they would like to see on the website.

**9040 MATTERS ARISING**

The village scarecrow competition will run from August 7th to 14th 2016. £5 entry fee. Prizes are to be awarded to the best entries.

Councillor Marshall mentioned the wooden tubs at Arnfield (fisheries), beginning of Crossgates lane have been removed and replaced by plastic tubs.

All agreed to a request to use the Parish Council facilities for the annual show on Saturday 10th of September.

The meeting closed at 8.30pm.