**TINTWISTLE PARISH COUNCIL**

**Meeting held on Monday 16th November 2015 at 7.30pm**

Councillors Present: W Clarke J Jackson

D Marshall K Lester

P Jenner G Ralph

J Crossland M Stevenson

S Grace T Smith-Lowe

The Chairman, Councillor Clarke asked the members to stand up, he began the meeting with a one minute silence for the victims of the Paris attacks.

It was agreed to move item seven on the agenda to the end of the meeting.

**8952 APOLOGIES**

No apologies.

**8953 MINUTES OF 19TH OCTOBER 2015**

Councillor Stevenson referred to minute 8950, asked if there are any updates on the matter. Councillor Jenner advised he had contacted the relevant authority. A recent improvement has been noticed, the area is a little tidier. The minutes were proposed by Councillor Crossland and seconded by Councillor Lester with all in favour that they be approved.

**8954 HPBC**

A circular was received regarding the Parish Council’s contribution to the cost of the contested elections.

**8955 DALC**

To find out if it is possible for the Parish Council to get a web page on the DALC site.

**8956 REPORT BY BOROUGH COUNCILLOR**

Councillor Jenner discussed the East Midlands (Derbyshire Nottinghamshire) proposals. Comprising of nineteen local authorities/bodies any deal should provide local power and control to help prioritise - investment and growth in the local economy in the best way for all our communities. A full High Peak Borough Council meeting has been arranged for 17th of November to receive and agree on development criteria to date. This will mean that any new authority combining all nineteen locals will have to have an elected mayor. Borough and county offices have been advising on what should be included in any proposed deals to get the best results for a combined authority. The Borough Councillor will report back on any proposals after the meeting.

Councillor Jenner mentioned he had spoken to County Councillor D Wilcox about the bypass. Councillor Wilcox is to give a report on that and other issues to the Parish Council in due course.

**8957 CORRESPONDENCE – A628 ROAD LETTER**

A letter received from a local resident was read aloud, regarding concerns of health risks from vehicle emissions and the Parish Council’s action to find a solution for the volume of traffic and also the ongoing traffic problem.

Councillor Clarke commented the siege committee had been set up to focus on issues such as these. The committee has had numerous concerns and discussions on these topics with High Peak Borough Council. He stressed the vehicle emissions are terrible. Requests have been made to High Peak Borough Council highways for the traffic lights at the reservoir entrance to be quickened up to help reduce emissions.

Councillor Jenner added, this issue has been a concern over a long time. A number of years ago reports were carried out by the siege committee, presented to the relevant authorities, no further action was taken. These reports/graphs recorded the level of vehicle pollution and results found that vehicle emissions at the time were higher than the national levels. Another report showed the levels to be higher than the European average. Members of the Parish Council suggested writing to MP A Bingham explaining the situation/concerns.

Councillor Crossland suggested it would be an idea to wait until Councillor D Wilcox gives his report to the Parish Council to decide on the action to take.

**8958 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENTS AND RECEIPTS**

The accounts were proposed by Councillor Crossland and seconded by Councillor Marshall with all in favour.

**8959 FACILITIES FOR YOUTH**

Councillor Lester advised it now seems likely the youth club will close after Christmas. There has been no response to appeals for volunteers. Councillor Jenner added he could help out until at least Christmas.

Councillor Lester mentioned the feedback from the autistic group session was very good. Eight families turned up and the meeting went very well.

**8960 AOB**

Councillor Ralph raised concern regarding a number of street lamps that are not functioning. She emailed to report one lamp on Conduit Street. Councillor Clarke added, the lamp on New road has been out for a number of months. This has also been reported.

Councillor Stevenson spoke to a resident on Manchester Road who is concerned about car parking there and at the bus stop at Cricket Field. Asking what the Parish Council’s strategy is and who is responsible for providing adequate car parking spaces. The Parish Council have asked High Peak Borough Council for funding to provide extra spaces but are advised that no funding is available. The lack of available land is also a problem. Councillor Crossland suggested extra parking spaces will be provided with the new West Drive development. There are two triangular areas on Speedwell Close that could provide extra parking spaces but again there is lack of finance.

Councillor Smith-Lowe was asked about building work at the Bridge Mill site. The Parish Council has not been informed of any work being done.

The meeting was opened up to the public for questions. A number of questions were raised on the car parking issues and provision of adequate spaces. This is an area of big concern, challenging for a small village. Questions were also asked on communication, making information more widely available. The Parish Council has applied for funding to enable a website to be set up.

The Parish Council agreed to purchase a new printer.

Councillor Grace is to organise the Christmas lights at the Cenotaph.

**5961 ALLOTMENT: REPORT**

The Parish Councillors felt more time is required to discuss the report in detail. Councillor Jenner proposed to hold another meeting, seconded by Councillor Grace with all in favour. Meeting to be held on 7th of December.

Meeting closed at 9.10pm.