**TINTWISTLE PARISH COUNCIL**

**Meeting held on Monday 21st September 2015 at 7.30pm**

Councillors Present: W Clarke Apologies: S Grace

 D Marshall T Smith-Lowe

 P Jenner Rev Perrin

 J Crossland

 J Jackson

 K Lester

 G Ralph

 M Stevenson

**8931 APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Councillor S Grace, Councillor T Smith-Lowe and Reverend Perrin.

**8932 MINUTES OF 20TH JULY 2015**

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

**8933 DCC**

A circular was distributed with information on the Snow Warden scheme for 2015/2016. Councillor Stevenson proposed the Parish Council should apply to be involved in the scheme, seconded by Councillor Jackson with all in favour. It was mentioned a volunteer would be required to organise the campaign. Councillor Jackson agreed to volunteer and Councillor Stevenson agreed to help out. The Clerk is to contact Derbyshire County Council to confirm the Parish Councils interest in the scheme.

**8934 DALC**

A circular was distributed regarding the following – The General Power of Competence – Call for Executive Members for the period 2015-2019 – LAIS Local Associations Information Service.

The Parish Council is to register its concern as notification of an increase to the Gold Card fare was received.

**8935 REPORT BY BOROUGH COUNCILLOR**

Councillor Jenner informed the Parish Council the Initiative Fund is up and running. Two applications have already been agreed and paid. Organisations within the village can make an application to H.P.B.C. [www.highpeak.gov.uk](http://www.highpeak.gov.uk) after first receiving approval from Councillor Jenner.

Councillor Jenner mentioned at a recent meeting the Friends of Conduit Street Playing Fields have elected Chair Kath Gray, Secretary Jillian Higginbottom and Treasurer Jeanette Thompson. Vice-Chair Pat Jenner. The next meeting was agreed for Monday 28th of September 2015 at 7.15pm – 7.30pm. The main agenda item will be the Constitution Bank Account etc. Members of the Parish Council are invited to come along.

**8936 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENTS AND RECEIPTS**

The Parish Council is to consider looking into alternative quotes for the photocopier expenses towards the end of the year.

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

The annual return has been approved and shown to the members of the Parish Council.

**8937 ALLOTMENTS**

Councillor Marshall mentioned an allotment inspection was carried out recently by three Parish Councillors. A short report was made on each allotment. Councillor Jenner was thanked for showing the Councillors around the Conduit Street allotments. Councillor Stevenson raised the idea of setting up a sub-committee with some powers regarding the allotments. The Parish Council having the final say on matters.

Councillor Clarke raised concern regarding one allotment in particular. A number of complaints have been received from the surrounding plot holders regarding its condition.

With reference to a waiting list a number of years ago Councillor Jackson queried the allocation of an allotment to Councillor Clarke, suggesting he was taking advantage of his position. Subsequently, the matter has been checked showing Councillor Clarke correctly positioned on the waiting list.

**8938 FACILITIES FOR YOUTH**

Councillor Jenner mentioned attending a recent youth club session. He will be attending the session again along with three other interested people to decide if enough volunteers can be arranged to help continue running the club. He added, more ways are needed to advertise for volunteers. Councillor Lester stated she is still available to help with the tuck shop.

**8939 AOB**

Councillor Crossland reported on the progress of the village football club. A lot of improvements have been made to provide weekly training and matches with many of the village children getting involved. The back pitch has been drained. The plan is now to flatten the hump to provide a larger car park. To help with the cost Councillor Clarke proposed the Parish Council should pay for the planning permission, seconded by Councillor Marshall with all in favour. Councillor Crossland thanked the Parish Council members.

In a bid to get owners to clean up after their dogs Councillor Marshall displayed a metal scoop the poop sign he had made. He would like to place them around the reservoirs. Councillor Marshall stated he is looking for approval from the Parish Council to put the signs up and sponsorship. The signs will cost approximately £200. Councillor Jenner suggested funding of £100 from the Councillors Initiative fund. Others funds were offered from the Parish Council - £50 and Tintwistle Children’s Gala Committee - £50. Councillor Marshall expressed his thanks.

The next Parish Council newsletter is to be produced and distributed shortly.

**8940 PURCHASE OF LAND AT SEXTON STREET, TINTWISTLE**

Councillor Clarke informed the Parish Council all is progressing at the moment but preparation of the documents will take time.

The meeting closed at 8.55pm.