**TINTWISTLE PARISH COUNCIL**

**Meeting held on Monday 22nd May 2017 at 7.30pm**

Councillors Present: W Clarke Apologies: S Grace

P Jenner G Ralph

J Crossland

J Jackson

K Lester

D Marshall

T Smith-Lowe

M Stevenson

**9105 APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Cllr S Grace and Cllr G Ralph.

**9106 MINUTES OF 24TH APRIL 2017**

Regarding minute 9104 Cllr Marshall mentioned, there has been no reply from DCC regarding the new charge for the use of the Parish Council facilities for the elections.

The minutes were proposed by Cllr Lester and seconded by Cllr Jenner with all in favour they are approved.

**9107 TO ELECT A NEW CHAIRPERSON FOR THE YEAR 2017/2018**

Cllr Crossland proposed to nominate Cllr Clarke to continue as Chair, seconded by Cllr Lester. No amendments. Cllr Clarke elected to continue as Chair.

**9108 TO ELECT A NEW VICE-CHAIRPERSON FOR THE YEAR 2017/2018**

Cllr Crossland proposed to nominate Cllr Jenner, seconded by Cllr Marshall. Cllr Jenner elected as Vice-Chairperson.

**9109 DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST**

Already previously disclosed.

**9110 DCC**

Information was received regarding the removal of charges for building and demolition waste at household waste recycling centres.

**9111 HPBC**

Information was received on a proposed base station installation at Torside reservoir. EE are planning to establish new site infrastructure to improve network coverage across the UK.

Notice of postponement of Highways England’s ‘Planning future investment in England’s strategic roads’ to 8 June.

**9112 DALC**

A circular was distributed regarding the following – Devolution of services to Parishes – General Election and Purdah - Commission on the future of Localism – Consultation on Park runs.

**9113 REPORT BY BOROUGH COUNCILLOR**

Cllr Jenner informed the Parish Council there was a full Borough Council meeting last week. Where it was agreed and passed by the Council – taxi fares to be increased from £2.80 to £3.00 for initial fare. The night rate is also to be increased as is the waiting time.

The new Mayor, Mr Matthew Stone was inaugurated, taking over the Chairmanship of HPBC and the position of Mayor of the High Peak. Lyn Stone is the new Mayoress.

Cllr Jenner mentioned being notified by BT, they are planning to install new reception and transmission stations around the Tintwistle/Woodhead area – with a proposed base station at Torside Resevoir.

Cllr Stevenson enquired if there was any developments from High Peak regarding the flood damage and will they get back with a full assessment as to what caused the damage.

Cllr Jenner stated, in a report given by the Borough Council the main issue is the ownership of the land on the village side of the main country gate. There is little progress at the moment due to the recent County Council elections. It was suggested writing to HPBC for any progress reports.

**9114 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENTS AND RECEIPTS**

The accounts were proposed by Cllr Marshall and seconded by Cllr Lester with all in favour that they are approved. The Clerk informed the Parish Council the internal audit is being carried out.

**9115 FACILITIES FOR YOUTH**

No further developments at the moment but still working towards getting some help.

Cllr Clarke mentioned the goal posts on the recreation ground are getting very rusty and need repairing. The Parish Councillors agreed on getting the posts repainted.

**9116 WEBSITE**

Cllr Stevenson mentioned the photographs are ready for the website. Adding, more information from clubs and societies in the village are required, this needs to be chased up.

The Clerk mentioned contacting BT regarding the slow and lack of internet access. BT advised they may need to carry out a few investigations on the line to identify any problems. Presently fibre optic broadband is not available in Tintwistle. But the Parish Council is on the waiting list.

**9117 MATTERS ARISING**

Regarding the maintenance issue of the wall (damaged) running along the A628 and as to where the responsibility lies the responses to a number of enquiries are as follows:

Unitied Utilites unfortunately aren’t aware of any maintenance arrangements for the wall. Highways England said the wall is not classified as a retaining wall. The members agreed to go ahead with getting some estimates in the meantime.

Cllr Clarke mentioned the Steven Bagshaw fund has been closed for many years. The trustees have agreed the balance of the trust fund is allocated to purchasing a defibrillator for the football club. It was agreed to purchase the defibrillator through Tintwistle Parish Council. Proposed by Cllr Jenner and seconded by Cllr Smith-Lowe with all in favour.

The Clerk read aloud a letter received from TAGA, requesting the Parish Council considers putting the money received for the allotment fees towards improvements required to the access road leading up to the Arnfield site. The weather has greatly deteriorated the condition of the road. The members agreed to get proposals and estimates. The cost is to be covered by the allotment fees. Proposed by Cllr Stevenson and seconded by Cllr Marshall with all in favour. Cllr Stevenson has agreed to get some proposals and estimates.

Cllr Marshall raised concern regarding the mud path at the entrance to the recreation field. At times the car park gets very busy especially when there are bowling matches on. The mud patch needs to be filled and levelled properly. The members agreed for Cllr Marshall to go ahead with getting some estimates.

The meeting closed at 8.15pm.