**TINTWISTLE PARISH COUNCIL**

**Meeting held on Monday 15th October 2018 at 7.30pm**

Councillors Present: S Grace Apologies: W Clarke

J Crossland J Jackson

P Jenner K Lester

D Marshall

G Ralph

T Smith-Lowe

M Stevenson

As part of the consultation process for the Trans-Pennine Upgrade project members of the Highways England team agreed to attend the Parish Council meeting to discuss the details of the project and answer any questions members may have.

A team member explained the preferred package is Option A, the details and proposals of the option were explained to the members. The decision follows careful consideration to responses received during the consultation period (March ’17 to April ’17) where people were given the opportunity to have a say on the proposal. Five public consultation events were held.

It was explained there are a number of different stages to the project including development and design. It is approximately a three year construction project once planning goes through. Further surveys and assessments are being carried out to develop the design of the preferred package. An examination will be carried out by the planning inspectorate then a decision will be made by the Secretary of State allowing construction to commence. This is likely to be begin in 2020.

The scheme will include a number of technology improvements – upgraded automated speed/information signs and safety initiatives and improved air quality. Funding the project was explained.

The Parish Councillors raised their concerns/problems regarding local traffic and questioned how the project would relieve traffic problems.

The Highway England team advised the application for planning should be submitted by spring 2019 at this time they will come back and give a further update.

The project team thanked the Parish Council for the time extended to them.

**9239 APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Cllr Clarke, Cllr Jackson and Cllr Lester.

**9240 MINUTES OF 17th September 2018**

The minutes were proposed by Cllr Marshall and seconded by Cllr Crossland with all in favour.

**9241 DCC**

Notes were received on the Town and Parish Council Consultation meeting – Community Involvement Scheme held on 17th September 2018, County Hall, Matlock.

Notice of the mobile library timetable for Tintwistle for the following dates 8th October, 5th November and 3rd December 2018, the location is West Drive, arriving at 9.45 am and departing at 10.15 am.

**9242 DALC**

Information was received re: Discussion paper for Executive Committee: Membership Structure and Constitution Update.

**9243 REPORT BY BOROUGH COUNCILLOR**

There is no High Peak Borough Council meeting to report on at this time.

A request has been made for the use of the chairs from the Parish Council hall for an event on the 8th of December 2018, all agreed.

Cllr Jenner mentioned the money from the Initiative Fund has all been allocated.

**9244 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENTS AND RECEIPTS**

Cllr Stevenson raised the issue of maintaining the cenotaph area. A number of local people said they would help keep the place tidy. It was proposed and agreed, any costs required to maintain the cenotaph are to be referred to the Parish Council for payment.

The accounts were proposed by Cllr Marshall and seconded by Cllr Jenner with all in favour that they are approved.

**4245 WEBSITE**

The members were informed that once the restrictions are taken off preventing the search engines indexing the site anyone will be able to view it.

**4246 UPDATING TRAFFIC ISSUES**

As previously discussed during the Trans-Pennine Upgrade project talk.

**4247 STORM DAMAGE**

Cllr Grace mentioned the importance of keeping the gullies cleaned and cleared to help limit flooding if there is excessive rainfall.

**4248 PLANNING FOR NEW BUILDING**

Cllr Stevenson mentioned she had looked into a number of different funding organisations and compared to a few years ago there is a reduction in funding availability. The majority of funding organisations are now only funding voluntary or not for profit organisations. For a greater chance of a successful application the Parish Council will need to have a definite idea as to what it wants.

The following questions will need to be answered – the purpose of the building project – what difference it will make to the community - what is the Parish Council looking for/hoping to achieve with the new building project.

The Parish Council discussed the need to have people with the required knowledge putting the project forward.

Also, Cllr Stevenson mentioned one of the fund organisers said he would be happy to come along to the Parish Council and discuss the process.

**4249 MATTERS ARISING**

It was noted that Cllr Stevenson and Cllr Grace agreed to look into the costs and availability of additional dog poo bins, Cllr Stevenson advised she would contact High Peak Borough Council for further information.

Concern was raised regarding the amount of rubbish piled on allotment plot no. 14. This was discussed by the members and it was agreed the Parish Council would hire a skip to clear away the rubbish.

The meeting closed at 8.55pm.