**TINTWISTLE PARISH COUNCIL**

**Meeting held on Monday 18th February 2019 at 7.30pm**

Councillors Present: S Grace Apologies: B Clarke

 J Crossland G Ralph

 J Jackson T Smith-Lowe

P Jenner

 K Lester

 D Marshall

M Stevenson

**9273 APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Cllr Clarke, Cllr Ralph and Cllr Smith-Lowe.

**9274 MINUTES OF 10TH DECEMBER 2018**

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

**9275 DDC**

An invitation was received for the next Liaison Forum which will take place on Thursday 25th April 2019 from 6.00pm to 8.00pm at County Hall, Matlock, DE4 3AG.

A request was received on behalf of High Peak MP Ruth George to hold a coffee morning at Tintwistle Parish Hall on Saturday 23rd March 2019 from 9.30am to 12 noon. The members agreed to the request.

A notice was received on behalf of the Police and Crime Commissioner, Hardyal Dhindsa, expressing his interest in visiting towns and villages throughout Derbyshire, with a request for some dates that he may be able to visit local residents. The members suggested inviting PCC Dhindsa to the coffee morning on 23rd March 2019.

**9276 HPBC**

Information was received regarding the town and parish elections taking place on 2nd May 2019, High Peak Borough Council will be holding a briefing session for prospective candidates and agents – Monday 4th March at 5.00pm or Tuesday 5th March 2019 at 5.30pm at Octagon Lounge, Pavilion Gardens, Buxton SK17 6BE.

The Parish Council agreed to display/advertise and put up notices regarding the elections, locally and on social media.

A streets naming application was received regarding the residential development at Bridge Mills. Attached with a naming suggestion list asking for preferences or other suggestions. The members proposed a number of suggestions and agreed that names more local to the village would be preferred.

Notification of planning application – HPK/2019/0012 – variation of conditions. Mr D Snape, Land North East of Marison Bank Lane, Tintwistle.

**9277 DALC**

A circular was distributed with information regarding the following - Preparation for a no-deal Brexit and local elections – Final local government finance settlement – Parliamentary Inquiry into ethical standards in local government published.

**9278 REPORT BY BOROUGH COUNCIL**

Cllr Jenner informed the Parish Council that a recent meeting of High Peak Borough Council to set the Council Tax for the year 2019/2020 proposed a Council Tax rise of 2.9% for 2019/2020, setting B and D payments at £191.76. The proposed business rate is to be increased to 100% of payments instead of the 50%, as it is now.

Cllr Jenner mentioned that High Peak Borough Council has 4000 houses in its “housing stock”. These are houses rented out in the borough.

Cllr Jenner mentioned he had received an email from planning/addresses at High Peak Borough Council regarding street naming for the development at Bridge Mills, ‘Willow Gardens’. Suggestions for street names were requested. Cllr Jenner gave the following proposed names and his reasons for suggesting them.

Spalding Close, Russell Walk/Avenue, Etherow Side/Street/Way, Bridge Street and Waterside View.

**9279 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENTS AND RECEIPTS**

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

The Clerk requested a proposer and seconded for allotment fencing work (plots 16/17) – Proposed by Cllr Jenner and seconded by Cllr Jackson.

**9280 WEBSITE**

Requests for information to be put on the website were made to the members and to various local organisations.

**9281 ALLOTMENTS**

The Parish Council discussed subdividing allotments as a way of releasing some plots. The Parish Council agreed to fund the cost of fencing for anyone willing to divide their allotment.

The discussion on fencing continued as concern was raised regarding the number of fences that have fallen down/in need of repair. The members agreed that any fallen fences or those in need of repair surrounding the allotments should be the responsibility of the plot holder to fix.

Cllr Stevenson proposed a review of the allotments terms and conditions, this was seconded by Cllr Marshall.

During the allotment discussion there was a dispute, the Chairman intervened asking for calm. The Chairman threatened to close the meeting as the argument continued and two Parish Councillors shouted across the room. Eventually order was restored and the meeting went ahead.

**9282 WAR MEMORIAL**

The Parish Council discussed setting up a group to look after and maintain the cenotaph. It was mentioned a small committee had previously been set up (not part of the Parish Council) with a separate source of funds for maintaining it. Cllr Jenner clarified that High Peak Borough Council has overall responsibility for maintaining the cenotaph but has only limited funds for the whole of the borough.

Cllr Stevenson mentioned, already a number of local residents have expressed interest in being part of this group, agreeing to meet regularly. Cllr Grace concluded that a group to maintain the war memorial should be set up and formulated.

**9283 UPDATING TRAFFIC ISSUES**

There is no report at this time.

**9284 STORM DAMAGE**

Cllr Grace stated he is waiting for a report from the environmental team for any further developments.

**9285 PLANNING FOR NEW BUILDING**

The members agreed that it would be a good idea to contact and arrange a meeting with the members of the group in the original planning committee, set up approximately ten years ago.

**9286 MATTERS ARISING**

The Clerk informed the Parish Councillors that nomination packs are available from the Council offices for any Parish Councillors/candidates for the Parish/Town elections in May 2019. Nomination papers can also be downloaded online from High Peak Borough Council.

Cllr Grace suggested allocating specific roles to Parish Councillors that are relevant to Council activities. This would be done after the elections in May 2019 and the information could be placed on the website.

The meeting closed at 9.00pm.