**TINTWISTLE PARISH COUNCIL**

**Meeting held on Monday 16th March 2020 at 7.00pm**

Councillors Present: M Stevenson T Owens Apologies: R Baker (Borough Cllr)

 A Dyer E Scriven B M Lowrie (Parish Clerk)

 J Crossland T Wynne

 S Grace P Jenner

 N Naz

**JAMIE DOUGLAS (OFFICE MANAGER FOR ROBERT LARGAN MP HIGH PEAK)**

Jamie outlined his role as Office Manager for MP Robert Largan, advising that the office is located in Whaley Bridge and that he lives in Glossop. Robert Largan is well aware of the issues we face.

He confirmed that his priorities are:

1. Infrastructure (primarily roads and railways)
2. Broadband- to obtain excellent levels of access to the internet within High Peak
3. Rail – ensuring improvement of the Manchester Piccadilly capacity
4. Roads – Phase I – completion of the Mottram/Glossop spur, Phase II – the Tintwistle by-pass and his appointment on the Transport Select Committee can only aid these priorities
5. Questions
	1. Assuming the Glossop Spur is built, there is concern about the potential of a traffic grid lock at the Gun Inn and/or the Mottram lights. Jamie responded by confirming that the A57 would be de-classified following completion and that suitable traffic calming measures would be introduced to ensure minimal traffic using the road afterwards
	2. In light of the non-attendance of Highways England at the recently agreed meeting, would he be able to support us with his presence at the re-arranged meeting, whenever it is arranged. He confirmed that he would attend and support our case for speed restrictions, assuming such a meeting can be arranged.

**9447 APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from HPBC Cllr R Baker and B M Lowrie (Parish Clerk)

**9448 REPORT BY BOROUGH COUNCILLOR**

Cllr R Bakers Monthly Report has been emailed to all Councillors. No issues were raised.

**9449 MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 2020**

The minutes were proposed by Cllr Wynne and seconded by Cllr Owens, all agreed.

**9450 DCC**

The Liaison Forum on Monday 30th March 2020 has been cancelled in light of Covid-19.

An issue was raised by Cllr Wynne with regards to the gritting protocol for New Road as it appears to have been removed from the gritting schedule. It was agreed that the Clerk should write to DCC, copy Cllr Becki Woods to obtain clarification of whether New Road is included in the gritting schedule

**9451 HPBC**

Confirmation has been received from Planning that the Mouselow Application has been granted.

**9452 PDNP**

Item covered under the main agenda

**9453 DALC**

February 2020 DALC Newsletter. No issues arising.

**9454 LOCAL CORRESPONDENCE**

No local correspondence received.

**9455 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENTS AND RECEIPTS**

Parish Council utilities (Electricity and Telephone/Broadband) costs are under review.

The accounts were proposed by Cllr Grace and seconded by Cllr Owens with all in favour, they are approved.

**9456 APPROVAL FOR THE INSTALLATION OF EXTERNAL LIGHTS TO BE PLACED AROUND THE PARISH COUNCIL BUILDING**

It was agreed that Cllr Owens/Cllr Grace obtain a further quote for this job if possible and if a further quote is unavailable to agree to the quotation already received. Either way, approval to be agreed by email.

**9457 APPROVAL OF QUOTE FOR ROBUST GATE ALONG THE TARMACKED ROADWAY OUTISDE THE PARISH COUNCIL BUILDING**

Further discussion took place with regards to the question of a speed ramp and/or a gate to be located at an agreed place on Sexton Street up to and including the grassed area in front of the old School House. Cllr Jenner felt that a gate could not be located as proposed as the land has Village Green status and access/egress on it is there “as of right”. This was disputed by Cllr Grace and no agreement was reached on this matter. Agreed to defer to another Council Meeting (BL).

**9458 PDNP – TIM NICHOLSON & BRIAN TAYLOR - TO CONFIRM MEETING DATE AND AGENDA ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

The Clerk to agree a date with PDNP to visit Tintwistle as previously proposed.

**9459 SECTION 106 FUNDING – BRIDGE MILLS DEVELOPMENT SITE – FOR DISCUSSION**

This issue continues to be followed up (MS/BL).

**9460 INCREASE IN RECENT INCIDENTS OF VANDALISM IN TINTWISTLE - DISCUSSION**

In light of Covid-19 and the cancellation of Public Meetings, this item to be deferred.

**9461 POOL TABLE IN OLD YOUTH CLUB ROOM**

Agreement reached to sell the existing (unusable) Pool Table and to re-instate in new build. Proposed by Cllr Scriven and seconded by Cllr Jenner. Cllr Scriven to action.

**9462 LIBRARY HUB**

It was agreed to use the old Youth Club as a Library/Hub and Information Centre. Proposed by Cllr Scriven and seconded by Cllr Jenner. A working party to be convened (Cllr Scriven).

**9463 CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)**

Much discussion took place in in light of the Covid-19 epidemic and what the Council’s response should be. It was agreed:

1. To close the Council Building with immediate effect
2. That the Tuesday Coffee Morning (17th February) would be cancelled and that Cllrs Stevenson and Dyer would attend the Coffee Morning to explain to anyone who turned up the decision that had been taken and why
3. The Cleaner would continue to be paid and that a deep clean would be carried out in the foreseeable future
4. Cllr Scriven would advise any other Groups using the Council Building of the decision to close. Proposed by Cllr Naz, seconded by Cllr Scriven.
5. It was also discussed and agreed that Council would support the Tintwistle Covid-19 Mutual Aid Group, which had just been set up, in the following ways:
	1. The designing and printing of a suitable flyer to be delivered to every dwelling in the village
	2. The supply of a ‘pay-as-you-go’ dedicated mobile phone for people without social media access
	3. Support the formation of a core team of individuals to “man the phone” and be able to offer help and assistance as required upon receiving calls for help

It was agreed to provide an initial £50 contribution to points a. and b. above. Proposed by Cllr Jenner, seconded by Cllr Naz. The Clerk to action.

**9464 COMMUNITY CENTRE – AGREEMENT TO MEETING WITH HPBS PLANNING AND SEEKING ARCHITECT QUOTES**

Agreed by all present. Proposed by Cllr Crossland, seconded by Cllr Naz.

**9465 – FUTURE DATES – ANNUAL PARISH MEETING**

This would now not take place in May as proposed, in light of Government advice with regards to the Covid-19 epidemic and meeting in large numbers.

**9466 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Monday 20th April 2020, subject to Covid-19 advice and/or regulations prevailing at that time.

The meeting closed at 9.25pm.