**TINTWISTLE PARISH COUNCIL**

**Meeting held on Monday 18th October 2021 at 7.00pm**

Councillors Present: M Stevenson T Owens Apologies: T Wynne

A Dyer B M Lowrie (Parish Clerk) N Naz

J Crossland R Baker (Borough Councillor) E Scriven S Grace

P Jenner

**9676 PRESENTATION OF THE PRIZES FOR THE TINTWISTLE VILLAGE SCARECROW AND VILLAGE FLOWER POWER COMPETITIONS**

The presentation of the prizes commenced with an introduction from Cllr Grace commenting on the very nicely decorated scarecrows throughout the village, the brightly coloured gardens and well-presented allotments. The Chairperson, Cllr Stevenson presented the awards to the recipients.

The Parish Council presented a cheque for £270 to Dave Savage of Derbyshire Wildlife Trust, who thanked the Parish Council on their behalf.

The members thanked Cllr Grace for all the work and effort involved in organising the competitions.

**9677 APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Cllr Wynne, Cllr Naz and Cllr Scriven.

**9678 REPORT BY BOROUGH COUNCILLOR**

The Borough Councillor’s report was distributed to all Parish Councillors and discussed.

The following items were included in the report.

* Manchester clean air plan – Travelling from High Peak into Greater Manchester, there may be signs and enforcement cameras being installed as the area gets ready for the introduction of the Clean Air Zone which is set to come into force next year.
* There are very little funds remaining from the Initiative Fund.
* Taking action on climate change in High Peak – It was agreed Tintwistle Parish Council needs a climate change action plan and is interested in setting up a task group. There will be more information on this at the November Council meeting.
* A regular village litter pick is to be restarted.

**9679 MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 2021**

Update:

**Point 9668**

**–** Regarding the memorial bench Cllr Grace mentioned a contractor has been arranged.

**–** In relation to the overgrown bushes on an allotment. Cllr Jenner mentioned a letter should be sent to the allotment holder concerned, advising that the perimeter trees should be cut back to the recommended height of 2 metres and kept trimmed to this level.

- Following the recent allotment inspection – the recommendations from the allotment sub-committee are to be presented to the Parish Council at the next meeting, included as an agenda item. Proposed by Cllr Grace and seconded by Cllr Dyer.

- Regarding the defibrillator training sessions held on 5th and 9th October 2021. Cllr Dyer explained that the initial level of interest didn’t materialise and the number of people who turned up was disappointing.

- It was agreed the Clerk would inform Tintwistle Over 70’s group they will receive a donation towards their Christmas event from the Parish Council.

**Point 9671 –** In relation to the NHS proposed planned changes for the introduction of an integrated care system – Cllr Baker stated it is not envisaged there will be any enforced changes.

**Point 9674 –** Cllr Grace mentioned the Christmas tree event is in hand.

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

**9680 DCC**

Information was circulated regarding the Derbyshire Lamp Post Poppy Campaign 2021.

**9681 PDNP**

Notification was received that permission is granted for planning application – NP/HPK/0221/0156 – United Utilities Bottoms Yard, Woodhead Road, Tintwistle – Retain the 20 foot shipping container which has had temporary planning permission since 2018. This container will continue to be used for secure storage.

A link was received regarding the notes and presentations from this year’s Parishes Day 2021.

**9682 DALC**

Newsletter – October 2021.

**9683 LOCAL RESIDENTS**

Correspondence was received from a local resident involving a police matter. The issue was discussed by the Parish Councillors. It was resolved, the matter should be referred back to HPBC as the Parish Council has no powers regarding the situation. Proposed by Cllr Jenner, seconded by Cllr Dyer, all agreed.

**9684 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENTS AND RECEIPTS**

The accounts were proposed by Cllr Dyer and seconded by Cllr Grace, all agreed.

**9685 RESPONSE TO CRICKET CLUB REQUEST FOR A LOAN**

Regarding the loan request from the Cricket Club for £20,000, put to the Parish Council. The Clerk informed the Parish Councillors the only funds available in considering the Cricket Club loan request, is from the proceeds of an asset. This is derived from a ‘Capital Receipt’.

Under the Local Authority (Capital Finance and Accounting) England 2003 legislation there are restrictions on how these funds can be used. Capital receipts can only be applied to capital expenditure. Therefore loans by Parish and Town Councils are not treated as capital expenditure and thus cannot be met out of Capital receipts. The precept funds the Parish Council receives does not have the financial capacity to support a loan request of this magnitude. The matter was discussed by the Parish Councillors, due to Local Authority legislation, restrictions and limited precept funds. It was resolved and agreed by all, unfortunately, the Parish Council is not in a position financially to support the loan request. In reply, an email is to be forwarded to Stuart Rose (Tintwistle Cricket Club) with the above explanation.

Proposed by Cllr Owens and seconded by Cllr Dyer.

Cllr Grace thanked the Clerk on behalf of the Parish Council for the detailed research.

**9686 PURCHASE OF PLANTS FOR THE CENOTAPH FOR REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY**

The plants for the cenotaph, costing approximately £50, was approved. Proposed by Cllr Dyer and seconded by Cllr Owens, all agreed.

**9687 TINTWISTLE COMMUNITY CENTRE UPDATE REPORT**

The Community Centre update report was discussed. The Parish Councillors were asked for a decision on the following:

* To approve the process for acquiring a Public Works Loan.
* To approve plans for a Village Fund Raising Campaign.
* To accept the solicitor’s letter regarding contracting with JDA Ltd.

The Parish Councillors agreed to take forward decisions required in the report, approved by Cllr Owens and seconded by Cllr Crossland.

It was also mentioned, a more detailed report will be presented at the November meeting regarding funding matters and what is involved.

**9688 REQUEST FOR AN EXTRAORDINARY MEETING**

A request for an exrtraordinary meeting was agreed by the Parish Councillors. To be held on 1st November 2021 at 7.30pm. Proposed by Cllr Dyer and seconded by Cllr Crossland. It was agreed, Cllr Stevenson would contact Derbyshire County Councillor Becki Woods to invite her to a future Community Centre sub-committee meeting.

**9689 PARISH COUNCIL COMMUNITY FUND – OUTCOMES OF FUNDING ROUND 2**

The PCCF report was circulated to the Parish Councillors for discussion. The members were informed of the outcomes of the second round of the TPC Community funding. The Parish Councillors were asked to approve the funding for the selected applicants and to approve a third round of funding in year 2021/22. Proposed by Cllr Grace and seconded by Cllr Dyer, all agreed.

**9690 HR POLICY**

The Clerk circulated the draft Tintwistle Parish Council Equality and Diversity policy for discussion. The policy was approved, proposed by Cllr Dyer and seconded by Cllr Grace, all agreed.

**9691 HEALTH AND SAFETY POLICY – NEXT STEPS**

The Clerk commented on the Health and Safety policy drafted by the sub-committee and raised a number of issues for discussion. The Clerk advised the policy requires further consultation and amendment prior to being presented to the whole Parish Council. Also, the policy should follow the control measures set in the Health and Safety schedule which has been approved by the Parish Council.

It was agreed the sub-committee would consult on the policy again in the New Year, draw up a more concise policy to bring back to the whole Parish Council for consultation and discussion. Proposed by Cllr Dyer and seconded by Cllr Crossland, all agreed.

**9692 ARRANGEMENTS FOR REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY**

Cllr Grace informed the Parish Councillors of the arrangements for Remembrance Sunday regarding the parade, decorating the war memorial, placing of the wreath and the reading of the list of honours.

**9693 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on Monday 15th November 2021.

The meeting closed at 9.15pm.