



Tintwistle Parish Council

Tintwistle Community Centre Committee

Minutes of meeting held on Wednesday 30th August 2023 at 6pm at the Council Offices, Sexton Street

Committee Members Present: Cllr Stevenson (Chair), Cllr Dyer (Vice Chair), Cllr Scriven, Cllr Boyd, Cllr Buddell, Cllr Vanterpool, Cllr Owens, W. Coulthard, S Downing, F. Thomason

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC: 3

TCC/2344 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

These had been received from Clerk C. Strickland, Cllr Naz, Cllr Winterbottom, R. Cooper, L. Ward. The minutes were recorded by Cllr Dyer in the Clerk's absence.

TCC/2345 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

TCC/2346 MINUTES OF THE 10 JULY 2023 COMMITTEE MEETING

The Minutes were accepted as a correct record.

TCC/2347 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

One member of the public registered their concern that the Council had not looked at other options to a new build e.g., ready built premises delivered on the back of a lorry and constructed on site.

TCC/2348 CONSULTATION PROCESS AND PLANNING FORWARD

Cllr Stevenson referred Councillors to the report and appendix which had been circulated and the 14 pages of resident questions received by the Clerk. It was noted that altogether 76 people had attended the 9 consultation events. Voting forms are being collected. Some have been identified as photocopied. Cllr Boyd felt that the voting process was therefore flawed, and the forms could not be used.

RESOLVED: To issue newsletters in September/October with outcomes from the consultation process. Proposed by Cllr Owens, seconded by Cllr Boyd.

RESOLVED: The Clerk to seek advice from DALC as to best next steps on the voting process.

Cllr Stevenson then took the meeting through the 14 proposed action points in the Appendix.

RESOLVED: To extend the consultation period to 22 October to enable Councillors to reach residents who are digitally and otherwise excluded from the consultation process. To arrange for drop-in consultation sessions at other venues and explore the possibility of house to house. Proposed by Cllr Owens, seconded by Cllr Vanterpool.

RESOLVED: To adopt the practice of providing Fact Sheets to be included in future Parish Council newsletters to include in the first instance i) The role of the Parish Council and Councillors ii) PWLB requirements, costs to date, why £500k iii) Timeline and records of decisions made regarding a new Community Centre from 2005/6 iv) The Bowling Club Story and requirements v) The new build – HPBC Planning requirements, what the building will be used for and why.

RESOLVED: To arrange a structural audit of the current building to establish it is fit for purpose and draw up contingency plans in the case of a negative report, seeking costings for the audit and the demolition of the current building. Proposed by Cllr Owens, seconded by Cllr Buddell.

It was agreed to promote the temporary use of the current building with a poster on the Parish Council noticeboard to contact the Clerk if required, but no fees to be charged.

At this point Cllr Stevenson drew Councillors' attention to the Tintwistle Community Hub Proposal submitted by Stuart Rose, Cricket Club and Cllr Rob Baker.

RESOLVED: To request that Stuart Rose and Cllr Rob Baker make a presentation to full Council to enable Councillors to consider the proposal in detail and ask questions of clarification. Proposed by Cllr Owens, seconded by Cllr Dyer.

It was noted by Councillors that adoption of the proposal, as it is, would not enable the option of smaller sports groups; a substantial building would still be required for the development of MUGA and there is the danger of the TPC building being too small. W. Coulthard asked for the comparable measurements of the two buildings.

Cllr Stevenson noted that the work involved by the Clerk to record all comments and questions raised during the consultation, as well as continuing with the normal day to day tasks, was onerous.

RESOLVED: To ask the Clerk if she would continue her extended hours to the end of September. Proposed by Cllr Scriven and seconded by Cllr Buddell.

Cllr Stevenson then asked Councillors to consider a new funding route open to Parish Councils - the Community Ownership Fund, details of which had been circulated to Councillors earlier. The first step would be for the Council to register an Expression of Interest (EoI). It was proposed by Cllr Buddell and seconded by Cllr Owens to seek approval from full Council to submit an EoI.

RESOLVED: The Community Ownership Fund EoI to be put on the agenda for 18 September Council meeting. Proposed by Cllr Buddell, seconded by Cllr Owens.

RESOLVED: Cllrs Dyer and Stevenson to revise Action Plan and circulate to all Committee Members for comments and amendments. Proposed by Cllr Scriven, seconded by Cllr Vanterpool.

It was noted that Councillors were not fully aware of the details of the Parish Council's insurance policy and how it related to buildings insurance.

RESOLVED: The Clerk to inform Councillors at the next Community Centre Committee meeting of the details of the insurance policy. Proposed by Cllr Stevenson, seconded by Cllr Scriven and unanimously resolved to review the current policy.

TCC/2349 BOWLING CLUB – LEASE AGREEMENT AND INVOLVEMENT

Cllr Stevenson drew attention to the 14 Feb 2023 letter from the Bowling Club. Currently no financial arrangements or dates are included in the proposed licence agreement. W. Coulthard proposed that the licence should be for 30 years and reviewed every 5 years with an annual peppercorn rent of £1.00. This document is required by the Bowling Club when applying for grant funding.

RESOLVED: The Parish Council/Bowling Club Licence is finalised at the next Tintwistle Community Centre Committee meeting. Proposed By Cllr Stevenson, seconded by Cllr Owens.

TCC/2350 PLANNING PERMISSION OUTCOMES AND NEXT STEPS

Linda Wright, JDA, had sent a letter to TPC describing the conditions of planning permission granted in March 2023. A response needs to be sent to JDA. Following discussion, it was agreed to:

1. Inform JDA of current finance arrangements
2. Recognise the 3-year timeframe
3. Recognise all conditions as one
4. Request additional drawings once finances approved

RESOLVED: The Clerk to reply to JDA as agreed. Proposed by Cllr Owens, seconded by Cllr Dyer.

TCC/2351 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 27 September 2023 at 6pm

* a suggestion that the October Council meeting is at the Cricket Club

The meeting closed at 8.17pm