



Tintwistle Parish Council

Minutes of meeting held on Monday 20th November 2023 at 7pm at the Parish Council Offices, Tintwistle.

Councillors present: M Boyd, D Buddell, A Dyer, S Grace, E Scriven, M Stevenson (Chair), S Winterbottom

Also in attendance: Tintwistle Parish Clerk C Strickland, Borough Cllr Rob Baker, One member of the public

23192 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE These were received from Cllr Naz and Cllr Owens.

23193 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST Cllrs Grace and Buddell declared an interest in the allotments item as allotment holders. Cllr Scriven declared an interest in the newsletter/website charges item as a local business owner.

23194 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION A member of the public informed the Parish Council of their work at Remedi. The member of the public left the meeting following this.

23195 MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER MONTHLY COUNCIL MEETING It was unanimously resolved to accept the circulated minutes as a correct record.

23196 REPORTS FROM BOROUGH AND/OR COUNTY COUNCILLORS The tabled report was received. The Council noted the positive impact of Borough Cllr Baker's recent litter picking initiatives in the area.

23197 PLANNING & 23198 CORRESPONDENCE None

23199 NEW COMMUNITY CENTRE PROJECT The community centre committee report was discussed (available on the website). Borough Cllr Baker and Cllrs Stevenson and Dyer briefed the Council on the eligibility criteria for the UK Prosperity Fund (UKPF). It was noted that the Council could consider a modular building to significantly reduce the costs of a new build if the HPBC Planning Department respond and advise that they no longer require the project to comply with conservation standards.

- a. The Bowling Club licence agreement was discussed.

RESOLVED: The Clerk will contact a solicitor (after obtaining 3 quotes as per the financial regulations) to review the draft Bowling Club licence.

- b. A draft version of the November 2023 newsletter was circulated for review and comments.

RESOLVED: To approve the information for the upcoming newsletter following the suggested amendments by Council and to rename the newsletter as the December newsletter for early December distribution.

RESOLVED: Cllr Buddell to investigate potential holiday activities for children and to bring a proposal to a future Council meeting.

- c. The Community Ownership fund was discussed. It was noted that one grant may be used as matched funding for another grant.

RESOLVED: To pause applying for the Public Works Loan in favour of pursuing the alternative funding options of the COF and UKPF and to begin drafting the application for the Community Ownership fund.

- d. The Community Hub Proposal from the Cricket Club was discussed. The Council wished to formally thank the Cricket Club for their proposal and for their continued support of the Parish Council.

RESOLVED: The Clerk will inform the Cricket Club that the Council have resolved to pursue other options and thank them for their proposal.

23200 STRUCTURAL AUDIT OUTCOMES The outcomes of the structural audit were discussed (available on the website). It was noted that structurally there are no immediate concerns and the building is still fit for purpose.

23201 ALLOTMENTS MANAGEMENT The re-inspection outcomes of the working party were received and approved.

RESOLVED: The Clerk will write to tenants to action the re-inspection outcomes. The working party will bring amendments to the tenant's code of conduct and terms and conditions specifying what would happen should a tenants tenancy be terminated mid-season to the next meeting, following a conversation with DALC.

RESOLVED: To permit the tenant to remove the conifer trees from the Arnfield Lane plot.

RESOLVED: The Clerk will respond to the tenant to i) rearrange a date for inspection and ii) advise them that by paying their allotment fee they have accepted the new terms and conditions, as per the guidance from DALC and the National Allotment Society.

*Cllr Grace left the meeting at this point.

23202 HEALTH AND SAFETY

RESOLVED: To appoint Cllr Winterbottom to the Health and Safety committee, with the Clerk to arrange a meeting for the committee to review the health and safety documents.

23203 CAR BOOT SALE

RESOLVED: To organise a car boot sale for early 2024, with proceeds going towards the new community centre.

23204 CLIMATE EMERGENCY ACTION PLAN The Climate Emergency Action Plan report was discussed (available on the website).

RESOLVED: To establish an 'Ecology' working group consisting of Cllrs Stevenson, Buddell and Grace to research and action decisions relating to Climate Emergency items.

RESOLVED: The recommendations of the report were noted and approved, including:

- i) The revised programme of action
- ii) Plans for the Big Green Raffle 2023, including renewing the small society lottery licence
- iii) Selling Tintwistle and Crowden Christmas Cards, with sales proceeds to be used towards the cost of creating the Memorial Garden
- iv) Pursuing grants from the Tree Council for the planting of a small orchard
- v) The change of Warden for the Holybank Quarry from Pete Girdlestone to Jane Corkin.
- vi) The proposal for responding to the Derbyshire Wildlife Trust (DWT)

vii) Liaising with High Peak Borough Council regarding a 'green wedge' policy in respect of the proposed housing development on the west side of the village

23205 NEWSLETTER/WEBSITE CHARGES The cost and sizing recommendations for advertising space were discussed. It was noted that the information re advertising would be in the Newsletter and on the website.

RESOLVED: To offer advertising space on i) the Parish Council's website at £10 per annum, with the Clerk to remove existing businesses from the website, and ii) the Parish Council's newsletter with the following sizes and rates:

148cm x 210cm space: £50 per issue

105cm x 148cm space: £25 per issue

70cm x 148cm space: £20 per issue per issue.

23205 FINANCE & ACCOUNTS

a. **RESOLVED:** The following accounts were authorised for payments:

		Net	VAT	Gross
Utility Warehouse	Utilities Bill November	£316.69	£22.04	£338.73
WaterPlus	Water Bill November			£47.78
Lynbrook	Photocopier October	£372.37	£74.47	£446.84
S Jones	Cleaning November			£84.00
Staff	Wages November + Backpay	£1,253.98		£1,253.98
HMRC	NI Contributions and staff deductions	£100.41		£100.41
P Scriven	Outdoor Maintenance November			£163.96
Beesons	8 yrd Skip Hire	£230.00	£46.00	£276.00
Shelter Maintenance Ltd	Parish Bus Shelter Repair	£868.00	£173.60	£1,041.60
M Stevenson/Mockridge Nursery	Cenotaph Plants	£54.00		£54.00
The Royal British Legion	Remembrance Day Wreath	£20.00		£20
S Grace/ScrewFix	Christmas Tree Fixtures	£15.57	£3.11	£18.68
S Grace/Tesco	Christmas Tree Lights	£60.00		£60.00

b. **RESOLVED:** To not claim the bus shelter repair costs through insurance due to increased premiums.

23206 DATES OF THE NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING The next date of the next Parish Council meeting is Monday 18th December 2023. The meeting in January is Monday 22nd January 2024

The meeting closed at 9.30pm.