

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF TARVIN PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE EDNA ROSE ROOM, TARVIN COMMUNITY CENTRE ON MONDAY 27TH JANUARY 2014

PRESENT: Councillor E Lush (Chairman)
Councillor P Miles (Vice Chairman)
Councillor D H Cotgreave
Councillor S Hardacre
Councillor R Hones
Councillor J W Shaw-Pollard
Councillor P Twigg
Councillor R Williams

IN ATTENDANCE: 2 Members of the Public
Cheshire West and Chester Councillor – H Deynem
Parish Council Clerk – Mr M Hassall

APOLOGIES: Councillor C Jones (Family Commitment)
Councillor M Pochin (Business Commitment)
Councillor B Spruce (Family Commitment)
Cheshire West and Chester Councillor – J Leather

13/275 DECLARATION OF INTEREST, DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS, AND DISPENSATIONS

13/275.1 New Written Requests for Dispensations

There were no new requests.

13/275.2 Declarations of Interest

Members were invited to declare any Disclosable Pecuniary or other Interest in any item of business on the agenda and, if necessary, leave the meeting prior to discussion of that item.

Councillor Miles declared an Interest in Planning Application 14/00229/FUL as a near neighbour and Councillor Twigg declared an interest in Planning Application 14/00191/FUL due to family circumstances.

No other declarations were made.

13/276 OPEN FORUM

RESOLVED: that the meeting be adjourned for the Open Forum.

13/277 PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLVED: that the meeting be reconvened.

13/278 REPORT ON OPEN FORUM

13/278.1 A local resident had reported that

13/278.1.1 a wheel chair bound ex-serviceman had been unable to reach the War Memorial to place his wreath due to the narrow gate and cobble stones and requested that Council take steps to resolve the issue.

13/278.1.2 the Millennium Garden was in a poor state and suggested that some of the New Homes Bonus be spent on improving the area

13/178.1.3 the uniformed organisations were intending to plant some shrubs around the Scout and Guide Hut later in the year

13/278.2 Councillor Deynem had reported that:

13/278.2.1 the Community Centre lease was close to completion

13/278.2.2 a Highways Officer would be carrying out a levels survey along Church Street on 30th January 2014 to begin to resolve the surface water flowing and pooling problem
He then expressed his views and some thoughts on Fracking and Joint Parish Council meetings

13/279 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 16TH DECEMBER 2013

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meeting held on 16th December 2013 be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

13/280 REPORT ON ACTIONS ARISING FROM THE MEETING ON 16TH DECEMBER 2013

13/280.1 Home to School Transport Consultation (Previous Minute 13/264)

Cheshire West and Chester Council had said that as the Parish Council was a key stakeholder Councils comments would be included in their entirety as part of one of the Appendices to the Report to the Executive on 13th March 2014.

13/280.2 Dog Notices (Previous Minute 13/261.1)

Councillor Hones reported that he had placed the signs on litter bins along High Street and also on a post close to the entrance of Forge Way

13/281 LIST OF OUTSTANDING ITEMS

A copy of the list of outstanding items is attached to the minutes.

13/281.1 Hedge at Ridgeway (1.1)

Highways had stated that they did not adopt the hedge

RESOLVED: that the Clerk ask Highways to adopt the hedge as it was in an adoptable area.

13/281.2 Field at Austins Hill (2.1)

Mr Studley had confirmed ownership of the field so Cheshire West and Chester Council were proceeding with their investigation

13/281.3 Forge Way (4.2)

Osborne and Co had not responded to correspondence or phone calls. However the agent dealing with the sale of the properties along Forge Way had verbally stated that Forge Way was at present registered to the residential property 63 High Street. When the two properties along Forge Way were sold the ownership would be split between the three residential properties.

RESOLVED: not to take any further action at the present time but continue to monitor the pathway, particularly once all three properties were occupied.

13/281.4 Flooding on Footpath on Church Street (5.5)

Mr James Orme, Engineer, Cheshire West and Chester Council, was arranging to carry out a levels survey on Thursday 30th January 2014.

RESOLVED: that the Clerk arrange for Councillors Cotgreave and Hardacre to meet with Mr Orme to discuss the issues

13/281.5 Bus Stops/Shelters (6.3)

A site meeting had been arranged for 16th January 2014 but then postponed by Cheshire West and Chester Council as the engineer had not been available. A new date was awaited.

13/281.6 GP Practice (7.2)

A copy of a letter from Dr Campbell is attached to the minutes.

RESOLVED: that Councillor Miles apply to join the local Patients Participation Group, to ensure that Tarvin issues are addressed by the GP practice led by Dr Campbell

13/281.7 Turning into Tarpoley Road (5.10)

Highways had accepted that for drivers waiting to turn right on the A51 their visibility was restricted by drivers waiting in the central reservation waiting to turn right. They were looking into the possibility of enhancing the junction by re-lining the carriageway markings and change the layout slightly so that vehicles would be pushed over the kerb side when waiting to turn right giving more visibility.

13/282 STREETSCENE INCLUDING WORKING PARTY REPORT

A copy of the Streetscene Working Party report is attached to the minutes.

RESOLVED: (13/282.1) that the actions listed in the report be approved and actioned by the Clerk

RESOLVED: (13/282.2) that the shorter summary of the Streetscene Service Standards produced by Councillor Hones be circulated to all councillors

13/283 PLANNING MATTERS

13/283.1 Minutes of Planning Committee Meeting

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 11th January 2014 be signed by the Chairman as a correct record

13/283.2 RESOLVED: that the following comments be made on the planning applications submitted

14/00108/FUL and 14/00109/LBC – Replacement windows to front elevation – 105 High Street, Tarvin

Comment: No Objections

14/00130/FUL - Demolition of previous two storey extension, existing outbuilding and car port. Construction of new two/one storey extension to rear of property, detached garage block and construction of new open porch to side. Internal rearrangement of existing and new windows and doors to suit – Dogwood Cottage, Shay Lane, Oscroft.

Comment: No Objections but construction vehicles must not park on the Highway outside the property

14/00229/FUL – Two storey rear extension – 19 Deansway, Tarvin

Comment: No Objections

14/00191/FUL – Erection of Agricultural Workers Dwelling – Land Opposite Brook Cottage, Willington Road, Willington

Comment: We would like the Planning Officer to ascertain whether the proposed dwelling meets all the criteria to qualify as an agricultural building. If it does, and if approval is given, appropriate restrictions should be put in place including no change from the agricultural tie. The existing public footpath must not be compromised.

13/283.3 NOTICES

The following notices had been received:

13/04744/FUL – Two storey and single storey rear extension (demolition of conservatory) – Meadow Barn, Holme Street, Tarvin – **PERMISSION**

13/04895/FUL – Erection of garage and conservatory – amendment to 13/00031/FUL – 31 Bye Pass Road, Tarvin - **PERMISSION**

13/04868/FUL – Rear single storey infill extension with new dual pitched roof – 1 The Ridgeway, Tarvin - **PERMISSION**

13/284 SAXON HEATH UPDATE

A copy of the report of a meeting held on 13th December 2013 is attached to the minutes.

RESOLVED: that the Clerk contact Muir Housing to arrange for Councillors Hones and Shaw-Pollard to meet with them to discuss the Affordable Units.

13/285 KING GEORGE V PLAYING FIELD

Draft minutes of the Field Management Committee meeting held on 16th January 2014 were examined. A copy is attached to the minutes.

13/286 TARVIN COMMUNITY CENTRE

Report on Tarvin Community Centre Committee of Management meeting held in January 2014:

"The Community Centre has agreed to write to the Leader of Cheshire West and Chester Borough Council expressing concern at the length of time it has taken to get a new lease, discussion started in March 2011!

Quotes are being sought for a new ceiling and lighting in the Edna Rose room at a forecast cost of £4,500. The two Borough councillors are being asked to support this from the local budget that they control. The Centre are planning to survey local residents and hope that questionnaire will be distributed with the next Tarvin Times."

13/287 JOINT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 14TH JANUARY 2014

A copy of the report presented by Councillors Hardacre and Lush is attached to the minutes

RESOLVED: (13/287.1) that Councillor Hardacre find out more about Older People at Leisure (OPAL) and report to the next meeting

RESOLVED: (13/287.2) that Appendix 1 of the report be an agenda item at the next meeting

13/288 FRACKING

A copy of the report presented by Councillor Lush is attached to the minutes.

RESOLVED: to maintain a watching brief on this matter

13/289 NEWSLETTER

RESOLVED: that the following article be included in the edition to be published early in February 2014

"GRANT AID

The Parish Council allocates a small amount of its precept each year to provide grants to voluntary organisations based in the Parish who are in need of financial support. When considering grant aid to local groups the Parish Council normally takes into the following into account:

- The Group's current & forecast financial position
- Whether all other potential legitimate sources of funding have been tried and the outcome of those approaches, including reasons for any rejection.

- The overall benefit derived by the community from the work of the Group and/or the asset over which they have stewardship - where eligibility to partake is very narrowly defined or restrictive grants will not be given
- Whether access to the asset, facility or activity is available to all and if restricted the reason for and nature of any restriction.

Grants provided will normally not be restricted in any way but given on the condition that the Parish Council receive a written report from the recipient indicating how the money has been spent along with a copy of their annual accounts showing the grant as a separate item.

Organisations wishing to be considered for grant aid during the coming year should apply in writing to the Clerk of the Council no later than Friday 7th March 2014.”

13/290 CLERK’S REPORT/CORRESPONDENCE

The following had been forwarded to Councillors

- a. Cheshire West and Chester Council – Members Briefings No’s 608 to 622
- b. Cheshire West and Chester Council – Community Governance Review – Draft Recommendations – Horton-cum-Peel
- c. Cheshire Association of Local Councils – DCLG Local Government Finance Statement
- d. Cheshire West and Chester Council – Community Governance Review – Draft report of final recommendations – Tarvin, Hockenhull, Bruen Stapleford, and Prior’s Heys
- e. Cheshire West and Chester Council – Communications with Rural Communities
- f. Cheshire West and Chester Council – Joint Parish Meeting – 14th January 2014 – Delamere Community Centre
- g. Cheshire West and Chester Council – Invitation to Connecting Cheshire Community Briefing Drop In – Tarporley Community Centre – 21st January 2014
- h. Tarvin Community Woodland Trust – Minutes of December 2013 and January 2014 meetings
- i. Cheshire Association of Local Councils – Planning Workshop – 8th April 2014 – Middlewich Community Church – Cost £20

RESOLVED: (13/290i) that Councillor Hones represent Council at the workshop

- j. Cheshire Association of Local Councils – Newsletter January 2014
- k. Cheshire West and Chester Council – Local Plan Submission
- l. Cheshire West and Chester Council – Bulletin for Local Councils – January 2014
- m. Cheshire West and Chester Council – School Transport Consultation – Frequently Asked Questions
- n. Cheshire Association of Local Councils – Agenda for Chester Area Meeting 29th January 2014

RESOLVED: (13/290n) that Councillor Hardacre represent Council at the meeting

- o Services Network Event – Macclesfield - 11th February 2014

RESOLVED: (13/290o) that Councillor Lush represent Council at the event

- p. Cheshire Association of Local Councils – Councillor 1 Training Session
- q. Letter from local resident re Dementia Friendly Communities

RESOLVED: (13/290p) that the Clerk obtain further information regarding Dementia Friendly Communities from Cheshire West and Chester Council

13/291 FINANCIAL MATTERS

13/291.1 Payments

RESOLVED: that the following payments be authorised –

Payee	Detail	Amount to be Paid
VAT	Cheque No	Net Amount to Charge against
		Budget available before

		budget	payment
Cheshire Association of Local Councils		Chairmanship Training – Councillor Twigg	30.00
0.00	2610	30.00	83.70
BAM Nuttall Ltd		Streetlighting Repairs	409.64
68.27	2611	341.37	1,600.00
Mr M Hassall		Reimbursement of Expenditure – Internet and Telephone – December 2013 £53.17, Anti Virus Software Laptop £14.99, Stationery (paper, envelopes, memory stick) £59.28	127.44
20.70	2612	106.74	194.13
United Utilities Water Plc		Water Charge Qtr to January 2014	196.59
0.00	2613	196.59	39.91
British Telecom Plc		Internet and Telephone January 2014	52.44
8.74	2614	43.70	111.22
Fastrack Maintenance Ltd		Grass Cutting November and December 2013	378.14
63.02	2615	315.12	479.73
Payroll Cheques		January 2014	960.65
0.00	2616/17	960.65	3,294.97

13/291.2 Management Statement of Accounts

Management Accounts for the 9 months to 31st December 2013 were presented and accepted

13/292 TOPICS FOR TARVIN COMMUNITY WEBSITE

RESOLVED: that articles be written on the budget, Taylor Wimpey report, flooding issues on Church Street, and Grant Aid

13/293 DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Monday 24th February 2014 – 7.15pm - Edna Rose Room, Tarvin Community Centre