

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF TARVIN PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE EDNA ROSE ROOM, TARVIN COMMUNITY CENTRE ON MONDAY 26TH FEBRUARY 2024.

PRESENT:

Councillor E Lush (Chairman and Cheshire West and Chester Council Councillor)
Councillor P Buckley
Councillor M Butler
Councillor S Dutton
Councillor D Howorth
Councillor P Ryan
Councillor A Sheppard
Councillor P Twigg
Councillor M Williams

IN ATTENDANCE:

5 members of the public
Parish Council Clerk – Mr M Hassall
Cheshire West and Chester Council – Councillor T Cooper

APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE:

Councillor R Ford (holiday)
Councillor N Poole (unwell)

23/223 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST, DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS, AND DISPENSATIONS

23/223.1 New Written Requests for Dispensations

There were no new requests.

23/223.2 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. Councillors Buckley and Lush declared interests in planning application 24/00087/PMA as they knew the applicant and the applicant had spoken to them about the application. Councillor Lush also declared interests in planning application 24/00013/FUL and minute 23/235 as a Cheshire West and Chester Councillor. No other declarations were made.

23/224 OPEN FORUM

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

23/225 PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLVED: that the Council meeting be reconvened.

23/226 REPORT ON OPEN FORUM (This minute was not reported to Council in the formal meeting. It is a record of the items raised in the Open Forum)

23/226.1 A Millside Close resident had expressed concerns about vehicles parking on the A54 road and also the grass verge close to the entrances of Millside Close and the Co-op. He had also highlighted the difficulty of turning into each from the middle of the road. The Chairman had indicated that Council would consider the matter as an agenda item at the next meeting. In the meantime, the resident had indicated that he would provide the Clerk with photographs to highlight the problems.

23/226.2 A resident had asked what was happening to a field along the A54 road. The Chairman had explained that the field was in Kelsall Parish and that they would need to speak with that Parish Council.

23/226.3 Council had been asked when affordable houses would be built in the Parish. The Chairman had indicated that Council would consider the matter as an agenda item at the next meeting after speaking with Cheshire West and Chester Council.

23/226.4 A resident had asked how much of the HS2 funding package for the north of England announced earlier in the day would be given to Tarvin. The Chairman had indicated that the funding would go to Cheshire West and Chester Council and that the allocation would be their decision. He added that as far as he was aware the money would not start to flow until 2025/26 and be spread over 7 years.

He was able to inform the resident that in 2023/24 the Borough Council had received a £1.260m bonus following the cancellation of HS2 and so far, one scheme in the Tarvin/Kelsall Ward would be funded from this pot of money, resurfacing Chester Road, Kelsall. In 2024/25 financial year a further £1.260m had been promised for potholes from the same source but as yet he had not seen a list of schemes.

23/227 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 22ND JANUARY 2024.

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meeting held on 22nd January 2024 be signed by the Chairman of the meeting as a correct record.

23/228 REPORTS ON MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 22ND JANUARY 2024 NOT COVERED BY THE AGENDA

There were no items under this heading.

23/229 PLANNING MATTERS

23/229.1 Planning Applications

RESOLVED: that the following comments be made on the planning application submitted:

24/00076/FUL - Single storey rear extension - 3 Tarvin Mews, Church Street, Tarvin

Comment: No objection

24/00328/CAT - Reduce 1x Holly and 1x Yew by 25%. Remove 2x dying Pear trees and replant - The Cedars, Kelsall Road, Tarvin

Comment: No objection

24/00087/PMA - Conversion into one dwelling – 32 – 34 High Street, Tarvin

Comment: No objection

23/229.2 Notices

23/02833/FUL – Installation of an external Biomass boiler to assist with heating existing workshop and log drying kiln - Fern Bank, Cross Lanes, Oscroft - **PERMISSION**

23/02694/LBC - Replacement of front door and front four windows like for like – 86 High Street, Tarvin – **PERMISSION**

23/00965/FUL - Conversion of two existing barns to provide 1 no. residential dwelling and ancillary domestic workshop/garage with office and gym space - Stapleford Mill Farm, Ryecroft Lane, Bruen Stapleford - **PERMISSION**

23/229.3 APPEALS

23/01404/S73 - Change of use of existing vehicle workshop to retail associated with the existing petrol filling station and provision of managers flat - Variation of condition 5 (opening hours) of application 21/03484/FUL - Greenacre Garage, Church Street, Tarvin
APPEAL DISMISSED

23/00684/FUL - Demolition and re-construction of boundary wall and widening of access and hardstanding (retrospective) Broomheath Cottage, Platts Lane, Tarvin
The meeting noted that an appeal had been made against the decision made by Cheshire West and Chester Council to refuse planning permission. The appeal was proceeding under the Householder Appeals Service so no action was required by Council.

23/229.4 OTHER

24/00013/FUL – The demolition of the existing farmhouse and erection of one new detached dwelling – The Limes, Holme Street, Tarvin
The meeting noted that Borough Councillor Lush had called in the above application to be heard by the Planning Committee.

23/230 KING GEORGE V PLAYING FIELD

23/230.1 The original quotation had been for aluminium goals as requested by Tarvin Athletic but during a conversation between the Clerk and the manufacturer the manufacturer had recommended purchasing steel goals as they lasted longer than aluminium goals, particularly if people try to swing from the uprights. A new slightly reduced quotation of £994 plus VAT had been received and following consultation with Councillor Twigg the order had been placed. The new equipment had been installed on Monday 26th February.

23/230.2 The meeting noted that Rugby Tots had booked the bottom end of the field for Saturday 22nd June – 8.30am to 11.00am.

23/231 DEFIBRILLATOR

Councillor Ryan had provided an estimate of £4,553.25 to complete the work. A copy of the document is shown under appendix 1. The meeting noted that a defibrillator and cabinet had already been purchased at a cost of £1,045 leaving a balance of £2,363.70 left in the budget for the project.

RESOLVED: that the matter be given further consideration at the next meeting.

23/232 ROAD SAFETY

Vehicle Activated Signage

There was nothing to report as both parties had yet to complete their preparation work.

23/233 SPECIAL PROJECT

RESOLVED: that Christmas Lights and Trees be the special project for 2024/25

23/234 PARKING IN THE VILLAGE

The meeting considered some suggestions from a resident.

RESOLVED (23/234.1): that the Clerk make contact with the businesses who have car parks to ascertain whether they would be prepared to allow any parking other than for their customers.

RESOLVED (23/234.2): that the Clerk speak to Highways about time limited parking.

RESOLVED (23/234.3): that the Clerk speak to Highways about possible additional parking on Church Street between the bus stop and cinder track.

23/235 CHESHIRE WEST AND CHESTER COUNCIL BUDGET

A report from Borough Councillor Lush on his contribution to the proposals and outcome of the budget meeting was noted.

23/236 CLERK'S REPORT/CORRESPONDENCE

23/236.1 The following e-mail correspondence had been forwarded to Councillors who were provided with an opportunity to comment on them.

- a. Cheshire Association of Local Councils (ChALC) – E Bulletins.
- b. Planning Policy - Local Plan Evidence Base Consultation 2024
- c. Cheshire West Community and Voluntary Arts Awards
- d. Ashton Hayes Theatre Club – Media Release
- e. Information Commissioner's Office Newsletter February 2024
- f. PCSO Hannath – Community Speed Watch Training – 17th February and 9th March 2024.

Councillor Howorth reported that he had attended the first training session. Five volunteers had attended, three from Tarvin and two from Willington. He encouraged others to attend the March session as for a speed watch activity there must be three people present. The required camera, not supplied by the police, would cost £150.

Councillor Cooper offered to try to obtain a camera for Council.

- g. Local Plan and Neighbourhood Planning Newsletter
- h. Borough Councillor Lush – Highway Innovation

23/236.2 Volunteering for the Duke of Edinburgh Award

Two young people from Tarvin were about to start their Silver Duke of Edinburgh award with the Kelsall DofE group, and needed to complete 6 months of volunteering, which would need to be signed off by an independent assessor.

They were planning to do 1 hour of litter picking a week in Tarvin and had asked whether the Parish Council would agree to this and complete the assessor report at the end of the 6 months. They would take photographs each week of where they have litter picked and of the full bin bags, so there would be some proof of what they have done over the 6-month period. Their parents had indicated that they would supervise what the boys were doing.

RESOLVED: that Council act as an assessor and that the Clerk complete the appropriate paperwork.

23/236.3 Spring Clean

The meeting was reminded that the spring clean had been arranged for Saturday 16th March. Councillor Butler indicated that whilst some Oscroft residents would be taking part a significant amount of litter picking had been undertaken very recently.

23/237 FINANCIAL MATTERS

23/237.1 January 2024 Payments and Payments between meetings

Councillor Ford had confirmed in writing that all payments had been made as approved by Council.

23/237.2 RESOLVED: that the following payments made since the last meeting be confirmed:

Payments between meetings.

Payee and Detail	Amount to be Paid inc. VAT	Amount net of VAT (charge against budget)	Budget Provision available before payment
Water Plus Ltd Water King George V Playing Field – 20th December 2023 to 10th January 2024	27.04	27.04	2.84
Deva Print Ltd Printing Newsletter	195.00	195.00	190.00
Mr P Ryan Reimbursement of Expenditure – batteries for Oscroft defibrillator	39.98	39.98	267.76

23/237.3 RESOLVED: that the following payments be authorised, and that payments be made by internet banking:

Payee and Detail	Amount to be Paid inc. VAT	Amount net of VAT (charge against budget)	Budget Provision available before payment
Water Plus Ltd Water King George V Playing Field – 11th January to 10th February 2024	36.66	36.66	0.00
MH Goals Ltd New goals and nets for King George V Playing Field	1,192.80	994.00	Members Budget
Payroll February 2024	1,587.42	1,587.42	5,896.17

23/237.4 Direct Debits

The meeting noted the following direct debit payments:

British Telecom Plc – 29th January 2024 – Telephone and Internet January 2024 – two venues – £122.59.

Sage Global Services Ltd - 6th February 2024 - Payroll Software February 2024 - £9.60

23/237.5 Lloyds Bank

The meeting noted that a Lloyds Bank Plc 95-day account (4% interest) had been opened and that £20,000 had been transferred to that account.

23/238 LIST OF OUTSTANDING ITEMS

The report was noted.

23/239 TOPICS FOR PUBLICATION

New goal posts, spring clean, special project.

23/240 DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Monday 25th March 2024 – 7.15pm - Edna Rose Room, Tarvin Community Centre

Appendix 1

Platts Lane - Broomheath Lane - Sheaf Farm - Stapleford - Proposed Defibrillator

Action	By Whom	Estimated Cost	Comment
NWRSA Section 50 Approval	P Ryan/ Clerk		
Conservation Area Approval	P Ryan/ Clerk		
SPN Quotation – updated quotation required	P Ryan/ Clerk	1593.25	Plus VAT
Groundworks - Steel Frame Foundation and duct works	Contractor	2345.00	Plus VAT
Steel Frame Fabrication	Contractor	110.00	
Marine ply back board to frame		20.00	
Fixings - Marine ply to frame		5.00	
Fixings - Support Frame to foundation	Contractor	15.00	
Fixings - Defibrillator cabinet		10.00	
Hammerite paint to frame and back board		25.00	
Electrical Connection Works	Contractor	130.00	plus VAT
Contingency		300.00	
Total		4553.25	