

## **Notes of the Tarvin Parish Council (PC) meeting held 24<sup>th</sup> February 2025**

These notes are produced immediately following the meeting to give anyone interested a timely update of the most significant issues discussed. They are not the official minutes . The minutes will be considered and approved at the next meeting on **24<sup>th</sup> March 2025 at 19:15** in the Edna Rose room at the Community Centre. All are welcome to attend PC meetings and stay as long as they want. Meetings do not normally go beyond 21:00.

1. At the open forum 2 members of the public came to talk about planning proposals both of which were to be discussed later in the meeting. The first concerned the application to change conditions that had been applied to the successful appeal for the traveller site on Tarporley Road, off the A51. The resident was concerned that the conditions already in place had never been adhered to and that the site was being used as a place of business. He therefore felt that that the PC should object. The second issue raised concerned a pre-application consultation to upgrade an existing telecoms facility. Of particular concern was the proposal to increase the height of the mast on the site from 17.6m to 22.6m. The site is to the west (left) of the A51 approaching the Tarvin roundabout from Tarporley. The resident felt that increasing the height of the mast by 5m would have a detrimental impact on Hockenhull Hall a Grade2\* listed building which although not the closest house to the site was the only house that would clearly see it.
2. The PC considered all the planning applications and in respect of Traveller site agreed that it would object as it agreed with the points made by the resident who had spoken at the open forum. The PC asked Borough Councillor Lush to find out, if possible, whether Planning Officers were likely to approve this application and if they were to “call the application in” so that a Planning Committee of Councillors considered it. The PC also agreed to press Planning Enforcement for a more robust approach to this particular development and it’s non adherence to the conditions that had been applied to the successful appeal.

Concerning the pre-application for the upgraded telecoms facility the PC had no objections to the equipment upgrade. It agreed that that the proposal to increase the height of the mast by 5m would have a detrimental visual impact on Hockenhull Hall and would therefore object to that part of the proposal. However, it also agreed that it would ask the company how critical the height increase was to the success of the

proposal. The PC noted that the mast would not be visible to the main built-up area of Tarvin village.

3. The PC received a quote of over £5K for new surfacing under two items of equipment on the King George V (KGV) playing field. However, because there was no quote for associated groundworks the PC deferred a decision pending that quote plus it would seek a second quote for the main works.

During March 2 “Happy to chat” benches would be installed on the KGV.

4. Well documented, long term, problems with broken drains in Oscroft had still not been addressed by Cheshire West and Chester Council (CWaC) but the PC would continue to press them for action which the PC felt should be rechargeable to Scottish Power as it was their actions many years ago that had caused the problem.
5. The next community clean up will be on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> March. If you would like to volunteer to pick litter in Tarvin come to the Community Centre at 09:30 to collect a picker, bags and high-vis jacket. For Oscroft please go to the Green at 09:30. All filled bags should be left by existing litter bins for collection by CWaC.
6. The PC agreed that the Clerk should respond to a CWaC survey on their services. **The closing date for this consultation is 28<sup>th</sup> February and the PC encourages everyone to participate in this and tell CWaC what you think. The survey can be found on the CWaC website. Search “surveys” and then click on “Council launches survey asking for feedback on its customer service” and complete the survey.**