

Notes of the Tarvin Parish Council (PC) meeting held 28th July 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 18th August 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.

AT THE AUGUST MEETING THE COUNCIL WILL DISCUSS A PLANNING APPLICATION FOR UP TO 60 HOMES AT CHURCH STREET, TARVIN. THE COUNCIL IS KEEN TO HEAR FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REGARDING THEIR VIEWS ON THAT PROPOSAL BEFORE IT DECIDES ON THE COMMENTS TO MAKE TO CHESHIRE WEST AND CHESTER COUNCIL (CWaC) WHO WILL DECIDE IF THE APPLICATION IS TO BE APPROVED. SO, IF YOU CAN PLEASE COME ALONG AND HAVE YOUR SAY.

1. At the Open Forum residents advised the Council that they were undertaking research before submitting a planning application for a free standing, black metal handrail to help anyone with a disability negotiate the slope that leads to St. Andrew's Church on Church Street. The PC was grateful for the information and will, of course, consider the matter when the application has been submitted to CWaC and validated.

Residents raised their concerns that part of the sandstone wall at the bottom of the High Street was leaning and potentially unsafe. The Clerk was aware that some of the dressed stone had been removed and after consultation with the residents he would make contact, again, with the owner.

Other residents who live on Shay Lane, Oscroft outlined their worries regarding dealing with foul water and surface water should further housing development take place in Kelsall. (There are currently two applications in the system. One for 99 houses on the south side of Kelsall towards Willington and 125 on the west side, Flat Lane). All discharges from Kelsall come down to a pumping station on Shay Lane before it goes onto the water treatment works off Pool Lane, Tarvin. There are already incidences of flooding and sewage spillage because culverts and pumps are too small. In their opinion this situation will only get worse

with more housing and there were concerns that the treatment works lacked capacity too.

2. The PC had several planning applications to consider. In respect of a Planning in Principle application for nine houses to the north of Bye Pass Road, on farmland adjacent to no.73 the PC decided to OBJECT. The reasons were the land was designated Green Belt, the development site was on the other side of the busy A54 therefore cut off from village amenities and was not in accordance with the policy in the Tarvin Neighbourhood Plan.

The PC noted that the appeal to allow the unauthorised building in the front garden of 58 Hockenhull Avenue had been dismissed.

3. The PC agreed to accept the quotes for the improving surfaces under some play equipment on the King George V Playing Field and noted that the replacement parts for the Molibus equipment were expected to arrive soon from Poland and would be fitted in August.
4. As part of its commitment to health and safety the PC, every 3 years, has all trees on the KGV Playing Field and Oscroft Green inspected by a qualified and certified arborist. The latest inspection was carried out in early July and the report noted that no remedial work was required. This excellent result demonstrates the stewardship of the Council both in protecting its assets and the public who use them.
5. CWaC asked the PC to submit a list of small-scale minor improvements that it could tackle over one week. This is a new initiative designed to deal with problems which although small cause concern to both the public and PC alike. The list to be submitted is attached to this note.