

Tutnall & Cobley Parish Council

THE MINUTES of an ORDINARY MEETING of TUTNALL & COBLEY PARISH COUNCIL
held on Tuesday 8 December 2020 at 7.20pm remote meeting via Zoom

Present: Cllr M Pengelly, Cllr A Wheeler-Vine, Cllr P Whittaker, Cllr K Tolley,
County Cllr K Taylor, Cllr S Orr-Cooper

In Attendance: The Clerk, John Ankrett

1 APOLOGIES: Cllr L Denyer, Cllr M Ryan

2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST:

- a) Register of Interests: Councillors were reminded of the need to update their register of interests, and
- b) To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests in items on the agenda and their nature, and
- c) To declare any Other Disclosable Interests in items on the agenda and their nature:
Cllr L Denyer who is Treasurer of the Management Committee of the Community Hall.
Cllr M Ryan who is a member of the Management Committee of the Community Hall.

3 MINUTES: The Minutes of the meeting held on 10 November 2020 were approved.
Proposed: Cllr Whittaker; Seconded: Cllr Wheeler-Vine All in Agreement.

4 PROGRESS REPORTS FOR INFORMATION:

Clerk: Stated a new Internal Auditor, Sally Reeves, has been appointed.

Chairman: Attended Worcester CALC meeting and training and stated that the code of conduct had been mentioned. Has been told about a resident in a tent near Cllr Ryan, the District Council has been told but he isn't causing any trouble and doesn't need any help.

District Councillor: nothing to report, everything is quiet. Skype meetings have been badly behaved.

County Councillor: Appointed new Chief Fire Officer, should start in March. A38 is still an issue. Talking to Network Rail about access at level crossing, near Blackwell Road. Richard Clewer has been off work. Might be digging up Finstall Road near rugby club.

Footpath Warden: Updated situation regarding bridge at 506. He also stated there was an issue with the path through graveyard, which is getting spoils thrown onto it, mentioned that he has met with Church Warden. Path closure at Blackwell, County Councillor trying to talk to Network Rail, he will pass details onto Footpath Warden. Path near Tardebigge pub been reported to Patrick White and an order is in process to get path extinguished. Has put into a complaint about bridleway near Agmore Road, Worcestershire County Council to look into it.

The recent servicing of a brush cutter was mentioned and the Chairman asked the Footpath Warden who the strimmer actually belonged to. He referred to his email reply to Cllr Orr-Cooper and the Footpath Warden, regarding the requirement to obtain approval from the Parish Council before committing to spending public money. He also

stated that a risk assessment should be done and the operator must hold a certificate of competence.

Councillor Cooper then joined the meeting and explained that he hadn't replied to the email following the mention of a risk assessment. He did advise that the strimmer had been given to him by Worcestershire County Council, a number of years ago, and he didn't believe a risk assessment was necessary. It was agreed that the brush cutter should be added to the asset register.

Tree Warden: none

Conservation Officer: none

Community Hall Representative: none

Charities Representative: none

5 CORRESPONDENCE:

- a) Bromsgrove District Council: <http://moderngovwebpublic.bromsgrove.gov.uk/> for details on: Planning Committee Minutes and Agendas.
- b) Wellbeing in Partnership newsletter - noted
- c) The Rural Bulletin - noted
- d) Coronavirus/Covid 19 updates - noted
- e) CALC update - noted
- f) Rural Funding Digest - noted
- g) PCC Newsletter - raising awareness of domestic abuse - noted
- h) Information for Parish Councils - noted

6 PLANNING MATTERS:

Applications for consideration: 20/01408/FUL - Golf View, Blackwell Road, Barnt Green, Bromsgrove: Removal of integral retaining wall, hedgerow and gates and replace with of new retaining wall and gate - deadline for comments - 31st December 2020. Cllr Orr-Cooper mentioned the rendering needed to be done properly as it is a visible retaining wall. Should suggest brickwork would be better. Cllr Wheeler-Vine agreed that it would be better if it was brickwork but it is just cosmetic. Cllr Whittaker to have a word with Planning Officer and advise further.

Approvals: : 20/01183/FUL - Ruins Of The Old Hewell Grange, HM Prison Hewell, Hewell Lane, Tardebigge : Temporary use of contractor's compound and works area in connection with works to ruins - decision made 1st December 2020.

Refusals:. none

Appeals:. none

7. **WINDPUMP:** Christmas lights are up. Cllr Whittaker has all the vanes for the circle.
8. **LENGTHSMAN SCHEME:** the Clerk to chase up Simon regarding the orchards.

9. **HIGHWAY MATTERS:** Cllr Whittaker has spoken to Richard Clewer re issue at Brockhill Lane. Cllr Tolley has spoken to one of the workers who advised that they had narrowed the road on purpose, as speed of cars is too high, they want to make it difficult for cars to travel as fast. Dusthouse Lane is flooded again by London Lane, Cllr Wheeler-Vine thinks the ditch needs digging out. London Lane is closed already. The Clerk to log it on the website - blocked drain.

10. **FINANCE: To consider:**

a)	Bank Balances:	as at 30 November 2020 Current Account	£ 12,590.47
		as at 30 November 2020 Deposit Account	<u>£ 3,848.11</u>
		Total Balance 30 November 2020	£ 16,438.58

b) **Receipts:** 0.00

c) **Payments for Approval:**

L Griffiths: Clerk's salary for November 2020	£ 406.43
Clerk's expenses for November 2020	£ 35.20
M Pengelly: Reimbursement for posts	£ 10.20
J Ankrett: Reimbursement for service of machinery	<u>£ 41.18</u>

Total	£ 493.01
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Unpresented Cheques: £1287.50

d) **Outstanding Invoices:** None

e) **Finance Items - Proposed Cllr Wheeler-Vine and Seconded Cllr Orr-Cooper.**

11. **NEWSLETTER:** with the printers, Clerk will take them out to Cllr Denyer, when she receives them. Cllr Denyer will then distribute allocations to each Parish Councillor. Clerk to also put a copy on website.

12. **DRAFT BUDGET 2021/2022: approved**

13. **2021 PARISH COUNCIL MEETING DATES:**

12 January

9 February

13 April

11 May

8 June

13 July
14 September
12 October
9 November
14 December

14. **COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS:** Cllr Tolley advised Christmas tree has been delivered to the school.

15. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING:** There will be an Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council at 7.20pm on Tuesday 12th January 2021 via zoom. Meeting closed at 8.48pm.

Signed: Chairman

12 January 2021