

Tutnall & Cobley Parish Council

THE MINUTES of an ORDINARY MEETING of TUTNALL & COBLEY PARISH COUNCIL
held on Thursday 10 February 2022 at 7.20pm at Tardebigge Community Hall

Present: Cllr M Pengelly, Cllr L Denyer, Cllr A Wheeler-Vine, Cllr S Cooper, Cllr M Ryan, Cllr P Whittaker, Cllr K Tolley

In Attendance: The Clerk, J Ankrett,

1 **Apologies for absence:** County Cllr K Taylor

2 **DECLARATIONS 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 9th December 2021 were approved.
Proposed: Cllr Denyer; Seconded: Cllr Ryan,

4 **PROGRESS REPORTS FOR INFORMATION:**

Clerk: none

Chairman: Cllr Pengelly advised that he had attended a Worcestershire County Council Finance meeting via zoom. He announced that Worcestershire CC plan to increase the budget available for the Lengthsman, as they feel that it represents good value for money. County Cllr Taylor will be informed as to what is available.

District Councillor: none

County Councillor: none

Footpath Warden: John stated that he had replaced the finger post by Tardebigge church. Cllr Orr-Cooper has one available too. Path 519 on Cobley Hill, new owner has put sheep and electric fence there and the area is flooded. Cllr Whittaker asked John to contact the new owner before he puts up fencing. Patrick White is creating a job to sort out the stile onto Grange Lane and thinks path is in the wrong place and will sort out flooding.

Tree Warden: Cllr Ryan mentioned that he had planted 20 trees - oak, ash, elder and dog rose.

Conservation Officer: Cllr Ryan updated the situation with regards to the shed, which has gone but the beds have been left behind.

Community Hall Representative: Cllr Denyer explained that sound panels would be installed in Community Hall to improve hearing ability of the users of the hall. Wifi is now working.

Charities Representative: There is a meeting scheduled.

5 CORRESPONDENCE:

- a) Bromsgrove District Council: <http://moderngovwebpublic.bromsgrove.gov.uk/> for details on: Planning Committee Minutes and Agendas.
- b) Wellbeing in Partnership newsletter - emailed
- c) The Rural Bulletin - emailed
- d) CALC update - emailed
- e) Allen Scythe in lovely condition free to local person in exchange for a small job - emailed. The orchard maintenance was discussed and the Footpath Worden agreed to look into it
- f) : Are you working with someone who is struggling with their gas and electricity bills? - emailed
- g) Call for School Appeal Panel Members - emailed
- h) UPDATE - THE QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE BEACONS 2ND JUNE 2022 - emailed apply to have beacon up at Cobley Hill. Cllr Whittaker to talk to landowner.
- i) M40/M42 Interchange Scheme: Transport Select Committee Recommendations - emailed
- k) Tree Down Hewell Grange - emailed
- l) Finger post in Tardebigge church yard - email the person.
- m) Draft Budget Proposals 2022/23 On-line Engagement Event 26 January at 5.30pm - emailed
- n) Hewell Lane path tree and road issues
- o) Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment focus groups - Community Grants - emailed
- p) Full verge cut/ Scrub clearance, Stone, Dodford, Romsley, Wolverley & - Cookley, Belbroughton, Chruchill & Blakedown, Tutnall & Cobley. - emailed
- q) Planting a Tree for the Jubilee - emailed. Has planted 20 trees. It was felt that it would be an idea to order a plaque from the Royal British Legion to commemorate the event. The Clerk to look into this and charge to Chairman's expenses. Cllr Wheeler-Vine to speak to someone to see what tree they suggest. Copper beech is a suggestion.
- r) RSN Rural Funding Digest - February 2022 Edition - emailed

6 PLANNING MATTERS:

Applications for consideration:

Approvals: none

Refusals: None

Appeals: None

- 7. **LENGTHSMAN SCHEME:** Ditch on Brockhill Lane has been dug out. Down Dusthouse Lane - up from Coplars Cottage, culvert blue pipe needs digging out. Clerk to report it.

Cllr Ryan asked for hedge down from Cherry Trees to be cut back but part of it was left so he finished it.

Top of Grange Lane from top, right hand bend, gulley empties into ditch, which is full. Ditch needs digging out again. Clerk to report it.

8. HIGHWAY MATTERS:

i) Correspondence from Worcestershire CC

ii) **Accidents, cross roads, Wharf and Stoney Lane** - Cllr Denyer junction between Wharf Lane and Stoney Lane has been tarmacked and cars are driving on that bit up to the wall and it has created a blind spot. There have been 2 accidents, needs hedge cutting back or line putting. The Clerk to report through the Worcestershire CC website and contact County Cllr Taylor..

9. FINANCE:

a)	Bank Balances:	as at 31st January 2022 Current Account	£ 6540.12
		as at 31 st January 2022 Deposit Account	<u>£ 8850.20</u>
		Total Balance 31 st January 2022	£ 15,390.32

b) **Receipts:**
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c) **Payments for Approval:**

L Griffiths: Clerk's salary for December 2021	£ 302.66
Clerk's expenses for December 2021	£ 62.59
Clerk's salary for January 2022	£ 245.01
Clerk's expenses for January 2022	£ 39.69
S Keys: Lengthsman duties @£15 per hour:	
Tutnall & Cobley 18 hours	£ 270.00
Burcot 6 hours	£ 90.00
S B Print: Newsletter printing	<u>£ 548.46</u>
Total	£ 1,558.41

Unpresented Cheques: none

d) **Outstanding Invoices:** None

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

10 **COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS:** The Clerk has been advised that a few people haven't received their newsletters, will make a PDF copy available.

Cllr Tolley mentioned issues with fence railings at Wharf Lane, trees are damaging it. The Chairman has previously written to Canal and River rust. Concerned about heritage asset, agreed to write to them again.

Cllr Whittaker has been contacted by Fisher German and Severn Trent as they want to put a pipe across his field, as current pipe is too small. Has asked them to speak to Severn Trent to alleviate the problems in Wharf Lane.

Cllr Tolley thanked the Clerk and Cllr Denyer for their work on the newsletter.

11 DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Thursday 10th March 2022.

Meeting closed at 8.30pm.

Signed: Chairman 10th March 2022