# **Tutnall & Cobley Parish Council**

THE MINUTES of an ORDINARY MEETING of TUTNALL & COBLEY PARISH COUNCIL held on Tuesday 13 April 2021 at 7.20pm remote meeting via Zoom

**Present:** Cllr M Pengelly, Cllr K Tolley, Cllr S Orr-Cooper, Cllr M Ryan, Cllr L Denyer, Cllr P Whittaker, County Cllr K Taylor

In Attendance: The Clerk, John Ankrett

## 1 **APOLOGIES:** Cllr A Wheeler-Vine

## 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 9 March 2021 were approved. Proposed: Cllr Denyer; Seconded: Cllr Ryan All in Agreement.

# 4 PROGRESS REPORTS FOR INFORMATION:

**Clerk**: advised had received AGAR form, is finalising Accounts for last year to take over to Sally the new Internal Auditor next week. Has also received and returned Lengthsman Agreements from Worcestershire County Council.

Chairman: enquired about Council Tax bills within the Parish.

#### District Councillor: none

**County Councillor:** Mr Ricketts near Hewell Park, complaining about footpath that goes to Hewell Lane. They also feel ignored by the Parish. Matty Osborne is discussing state of the bridge from Alcester Road and Tutnall with Highways. He will visit Brockhill Lane to look at verges in the next week.

**Footpath Warden**: has agreement that County Council are going to provide timber for 3 stiles, hasn't been delivered yet. He has spoken to Simon, the Lengthsman, about Cobley Hill steps. Has been waymarking. Redditch Ramblers are looking for work to do, has suggested they can improve vegetation at bridleway. They are doing a risk assessment, John to request a copy for PC records. He will send to Clerk, it was agreed photos for newsletter would be good.

# Tree Warden: none

Conservation Officer: none

**Community Hall Representative**: Cllr Denyer stated that there would be classes in the hall from that evening, for under 14 year olds. Looking to open properly from 21<sup>st</sup> June.

Charities Representative: none

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#### 5 CORRESPONDENCE:

- a) Bromsgrove District Council: <u>http://moderngovwebpublic.bromsgrove.gov.uk/</u> for details on: Planning Committee Minutes and Agendas.
- b) Wellbeing in Partnership newsletter emailed
- c) The Rural Bulletin emailed
- d) CALC update emailed
- e) Catshill and North Marlbrook Parish Neighbourhood Plan Regulation 16

Representation Period - emailed

- f) Rural Funding Digest emailed
- g) PCC Newsletter emailed
- h) CALC Councillors Survey emailed
- i) NHS H&W CCG Stakeholder Briefings & Updates emailed
- j) NHS H&W CCG Winter Communications & Vaccine Inequalities Programme Latest Updates - emailed

#### 6 PLANNING MATTERS:

#### Applications for consideration:

**Approvals:** 20/01603/FUL - Stoney Lane Farm, Stoney Lane, Alvechurch, Worcestershire. Installation of boiler and long log drying store within the existing barn onsite. Approved 25<sup>th</sup> March 2021.

Refusals: none

Appeals: None

**Correspondence**: Email received from Mr Ricketts, re 49 The Park, Hewell Grange. Chairman enquired whether the Parish Council should take into consideration other peoples' comments, regarding planning applications, before commenting. Cllr Whittaker outlined the criteria that should be considered when looking at planning applications and personal comments are not listed.

- 7. **WINDPUMP:** Cllr Ryan is trying to get working party together, suggested Saturdays 24<sup>th</sup> April was provisionally agreed on. 19<sup>th</sup> April to work on vanes.
- 8. LENGTHSMAN SCHEME: It was agreed that Lengthsman was doing an excellent job at Broad Green. Cllr Whittaker stated coming down Cobley Hill/Grange Lane - drain comes out into ditch, ditch is all full again. Outfall of Culvert, tree in the way. The Lengthsman has cleared it before, Clerk to request him to clear it again.
- 9. HIGHWAY MATTERS: Cllr Ryan said signpost for Foxhill Lane and junction of Scarfield Hill has fallen over and has been hung on finger post. Cllr Taylor stated that it is a district council matter. Cllr Taylor will mention it to Richard Clewer. Footpath Warden

enquired about owner of fields to left of Foxhill Lane, as he has some stiles that need repairing. Cllr Whittaker advised him. Cllr Whittaker still needs meeting regarding gulleys. Highways have told Richard Clewer that they've been done. Cllr Taylor to find out if/when Richard is available. Chairman mentioned Blackwell Road issue which Lickey and Blackwell PC have been dealing with it, Tutnall and Cobley PC are now involved as it is within our Parish. Chairman has been in correspondence with them and mentioned neighbourhood speed scheme. Negotiations are taking place with Network Rail about the footpath across golf course onto Blackwell Road and hoping to get 40 mph zone at Blackwell Road.

10. FINANCE: To consider:

a) Bank Balances:	as at 31 March 2021 Current Account	£ 5,963.77
	as at 31 March 2021 Deposit Account	<u>£ 8,848.11</u>
	Total Balance 31 March 2021	£ 14,811.88

b) Receipts:

Worcs CC 20/004:£772Worcs CC 20/006:£693Worcs CC 20/007:£348

\*£5000 transferred from current account to deposit account on 12 March 2021.

c)	Payments for Approval:	
	L Griffiths: Clerk's salary for March 2021	£ 299.78
	Clerk's expenses for March 2021	£ 37.17
	S Keys: Lengthsman duties @ £15 per hour	
	Tutnall and Cobley: 58 hours	£ 870.00
	Burcot: 17 hours	£ 255.00
	Grass cutting:	£ 42.50
	Worcesterhire CALC	<u>£ 536.78</u>

Total £ 2,041.23

d) Unpresented Cheques:

e) Outstanding Invoices: None

#### Finance Items - Proposed by Cllr Denyer and Seconded by Cllr Ryan

11. WOODS IN YOUR PARISH - discussed the lotting up of woods. Cllr Ryan stated that it is a problem when woods have been lotted up but it is legal and there is little that can be done to stop it. Cllr Tolley stated they should be kept as woods but people aren't

adhering to this and that Forestry Commission aren't doing their job. Chairman advised contacting Forestry Commission.

- 12 DATE FOR THE ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY and ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL: Will be held remotely on Tuesday 4th May 2021 at 7.00pm followed by the usual Ordinary Meeting at 8.00pm. Date has moved due to legislation regarding virtual meetings expiring on 7<sup>th</sup> May.
- 13 COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS: Cllr Ryan to look at flagpole the next day so that a flag can go up to mark the death of Prince Phillip. Cllr Tolley mentioned Phillip Barnes who wants to know if a defibrillator can be put up at the Vigo at Burcot. Chairman mentioned charities that can help to put one up. Can check whether there is one at Burcot Hall. Cllr Orr-Cooper mentioned that there was a defibrillator near Burcot Village Hall and at Blackwell Adventure and in Blackwell. Cllr Tolley to report back.

Cllr Taylor mentioned field near Burcot Garden Centre that is up for sale, need to keep an eye on it.

14 DATE OF NEXT MEETING: There will be an Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council at 8pm on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2021.

Meeting closed at 9.11pm.