

Tutnall & Cobley Parish Council

THE MINUTES of an ORDINARY MEETING of TUTNALL & COBLEY PARISH COUNCIL
held on Thursday 25th January 2024 at 7.30pm at Tardebigge Community Hall

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

- 1 **Apologies for absence:** Cllr P Whittaker,

- 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 14th December 2023 were agreed to be a correct record. **Proposed:** Cllr Denyer, **Seconded:** Cllr Wheeler-Vine

- 4 **PROGRESS REPORTS FOR INFORMATION:**

Clerk: none
Chairman: none
District Councillor: none
County Councillor. Highlighted the draft recommendations for the review of electoral boundaries within the county. Tutnall and Cobley are due to move to Alvechurch electoral division. Councillors to look and feed back at the next Parish Council meeting. He also mentioned the Fire Consultation to look at, reassigning resources and equipment.
Enforcement issues being dealt with by Bromsgrove DC, to include fly tipping.
Footpath Warden: reinforced edges of main footpath by the church
Tree Warden: none
Conservation Officer: none
Community Hall Representative: none
Charities Representative: Chairman advised a lot more grants were being given out.

- 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) RSN Rural Funding Digest - - emailed
 - f) PCC newsletter - emailed
 - g) Natural Networks - funding for your project - emailed

h) Rural Funding Digest - emailed

6 PLANNING MATTERS:

Applications for consideration: - none

Approvals: none

Refusals: none

Appeals: none

Withdrawn: none

7. **LENGTHSMAN SCHEME:** Lengthsman hasn't been well but he has sent some photos of Brockhill Lane and Wharf Lane ditches, which he is hoping to dig out.
8. **HIGHWAY MATTERS:** Cllr Orr-Cooper enquired about Tutnall Lane, Cllr Taylor said tree is on private land, landowner is aware and has to do something about it. Collapsing wall by hall and farm is also for landowners to sort out. Cllr Wheeler-Vine passed landowner's phone number to Cllr Taylor so he could liaise with them. Cllr Ryan enquired about flooding at Wharf Lane and Stoney Lane, Cllr Taylor has referred this to Highways and is pushing regarding drains. Clerk to send a list to Cllr Taylor regarding main issues regarding Highways.

9. FINANCE:

a)	Bank Balances:	as at 31st December 2023 Current Account	£ 5,476.90
		as at 31 st December 2023 Deposit Account	<u>£ 8,965.01</u>
		Total Balance 31 st December 2023	£ 14,441.91

b) Receipts:

c) Payments for Approval:

L Griffiths:	Clerk's salary for December 2023	£ 439.36
	Clerk's expenses for December 2023	£ 54.54
S Skeys:	Lengthsman duties @£16.50 per hour	
	Tutnall - 12.5 hours	£ 206.25
	Burcot - 7 hours	£ 115.50

	Total	£ 815.65
*Election costs		<u>£ 160.04</u>
		£975.69

* Payment to BDC £160.04 made 1st November but not recorded in minutes at the time

Unpresented Cheques: none

d) Finance Items - Proposed Cllr Orr-Cooper and Seconded Cllr Denyer

- 10 DRAFT BUDGET** - This was considered and it was agreed to add extra £250 provision for grass cutting. Clerk to request tenders.
- 11 PRECEPT 2024/2025** - Due to increasing costs for grass cutting and rising staff costs, Councillors agreed to raise the precept to £7600.
- 12 PARISH MAGAZINE**
 Feedback - Cllr Denyer and Cllr Tolley preferred the newsletter when it wasn't laid out in columns. Cllr Ryan and Cllr Pengelly liked the columns. It was thought that the Front cover was plain and next year's newsletter needed to be more Christmas themed.
 Distribution - happy with patches
 Copies - Cllr Tolley had 10 over, Cllr Denyer 4 over, Cllr Wheeler-Vine and Cllr Pengelly maybe 2 more, Cllr Ryan needs 2 more,
- 13 COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS:** none
- 14 DATE OF NEXT MEETING:** 8th February 2024

Signed: Chairman Thursday 8th February 2024