

# TUNSTALL PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 4 May 2016

Present: Cllr L Burgess (Chairman), Cllr I Davison, Cllr R Sills, Cllr E Senior, Cllr A Spicer and Mrs W Licence (Clerk).

Also present were SBCllr George Samuel and six members of the public.

### 1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Burgess welcomed everyone to the Parish Council meeting. Apologies had been received from SBCllr Conway (holiday): apologies accepted.

### 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None were declared

### 3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 4 APRIL 2016

Councillors considered the draft minutes. Cllr Sills **PROPOSED** to accept the minutes of the meeting held on 4 April; **SECONDED** by Cllr Davison: **AGREED UNANIMOUSLY**. Cllr Burgess duly signed the minutes as a true record of the meeting.

### 4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

#### i. Queen's Birthday celebration

Cllr Burgess informed Members that the Village Hall is holding a Tunstall Together event with all the village organisations taking part.

Cllr Burgess said he will use his Members' Grant to revamp the wall and will bring plans to the next meeting.

ii. Cllr Burgess that James Sanderson has said the new school lights have been installed in line with the planning approval and lights are also restricted to a number of times they can remain on externally till 10pm up to ten times per calendar year.

*ACTION: Clerk to obtain clarification of normal usage of the lights and what time they will go off.*

### 5. NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Cllr Burgess said he has sent his paperwork off but there needs to be a standard form.

*ACTION: Clerk to contact John Haddaway for clarification of paperwork and to ask for more pens.*

### 6. SPEED WATCH

Cllr Spicer reported she had attended the Speed Watch Conference and heard that Sussex Speed Watch had created an online system to gather data using an Ipad and this will be trialed in Kent. Would it be possible for Tunstall to take part in the trial?

*ACTION: Cllr Senior to investigate taking part in the trial.*

### 7. FINANCE

#### i. Cheques raised and accounts

|            | Chq. No | Payable to    | Reason       | Amount         |
|------------|---------|---------------|--------------|----------------|
| 04.05.2016 | 1113    | Mrs W Licence | Salary       | £222.32        |
|            |         |               | Expenses     | £19.83         |
|            |         |               | <b>TOTAL</b> | <b>£242.15</b> |

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| 04.05.2016 | 1114 | Tunstall PCC | Hire of Midwinter Room: Parish Council meeting £15.00    | <b>£15.00</b>  |
| 04.05.2016 | 1115 | Came & Co    | Insurance  | <b>£276.49</b> |
| 04.05.2016 | 1116 | KALC         | Councillor Training £60.00<br>Vat £12.00<br><b>TOTAL</b> | <b>£72.00</b>  |

Councillors considered the cheques raised and Cllr Davison **PROPOSED** to sign the cheques; **SECONDED** by Cllr Sills: **AGREED UNANIMOUSLY**.

ii. To consider Galliford Try donation

Cllr Spicer said that the money is to be used to benefit the residents affected by the problems at the site.

*ACTION: Cllr Burgess to write a letter to neighbouring properties about the donation.*

Cllr Spicer asked about the event in the Village Hall and whether this would be an appropriate beneficiary of the money.

*ACTION: Cllr Sills to contact Village Hall.*

### 8. APPOINTMENT OF LITTER PICKER

Councillors suggested Hearts Delight Road down to Tunstall Road. Ruins Barn Road, Cranbrook Drive and Park Drive as areas to be litter picked and **AGREED** for this to go out to tender.

*ACTION: Clerk to invite tenders for the work.*

### 9. PLANNING

i. **Application:** 16/502740/FULL

**Address:** Land to the Rear of Hales Cottage Tunstall Road Tunstall Kent ME10 1YQ

**Proposal:** Two storey four-bedroom dwelling house with integral garage incorporating part of existing detached garage

Councillors considered the application and noted that KCC Highways had recommended refusal as it would be detrimental to highway safety. Councillors were also concerned the site is in a conservation area; it erodes the Important Local Countryside gap; over intensification of the site; adjacent site is going to appeal and another development would be detrimental; poor site lines. Councillors **AGREED UNANIMOUSLY** to object to the application

*ACTION: Cllr Burgess to speak at the Planning Committee meeting*

ii. **Application:** 16/502977/LAWPRO

**Address:** 1 Ruins Barn Road Tunstall Kent ME10 4HS

**Proposal:** Certificate of Lawful development (proposed) for the erection of a single storey rear extension.

Councillors considered the application and **AGREED** to request a site visit and to defer a decision until a visit had been made.

*ACTION: Clerk to request a site visit.*

iii. **Notification of Appeal Lodged with the Planning Inspectorate**

**Proposal:** Erection of five houses comprising a terrace of three houses and a pair of semi-detached houses, with garages and associated works

**Address:** 120 Park Drive Tunstall Kent

Councillors noted that an appeal had been lodged.

## **10. KENT SCIENCE PARK**

There was nothing to report

*ACTION: Clerk to request information from SBC.*

## **11. TUNSTALL SCHOOL**

Cllr Burgess informed Members that he had visited the school as part of a KCC group visit and it is an outstanding building.

*ACTION: Cllr Davison to arrange for Councillors to visit the school.*

## **12. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

Deferred to next meeting.

## **13. REPORTS FROM MEMBERS**

Cllr Spicer said she is still receiving bank statements.

*ACTION: Clerk to send letter to Cllr Spicer to change bank contact details.*

*7.46pm Cllr Spicer left the meeting.*

## **14. HIGHWAYS**

Cllr Burgess informed Members that he has reported pot holes and has noticed the one outside the church is getting worse.

Cllr Burgess said he has been contacted by a resident that the sign in Hearts Delight Road is covered in greenery.

## **15. CORRESPONDENCE**

1. 06.04.2016: Message from the Police & Crime Commissioner and end of term report
2. 10.04.2016: CPRE Countryside Voice Magazine
3. 12.04.2016: KALC Parish News
4. 12.04.2016: KCC e-safety training
5. 14.04.2016: Kent Voice Magazine
6. 22.04.2016: Letter from resident concerning Galliford Try donation
7. 27.05.2016: Notice of Publication of Inspector's Report on the Kent Minerals and Waste Local Plan
8. 28.05.2016: Local Council Tax Support Schemes- Final report
9. 28.05.2016: Email from James Freeman concerning Tunstall Old School

## **16. ANY OTHER MATTERS ARISING**

Cllr Burgess said that there are now two vacancies on the Parish Council.

The Clerk informed Members that she has notified SBC and has put the Notice of Poll on the notice boards and website.

## **17. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Monday 6 June, 2016, 6.45 p.m. in the Midwinter Room, St. John the Baptist Church, Tunstall.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 7.55pm

Signed as a true record of the proceedings:

.....Chair

Date: 6 June 2016