## Tutnall & Cobley Parish Council

THE MINUTES of an ORDINARY MEETING of TUTNALL & COBLEY PARISH COUNCIL held on Thursday 13th November 2025 at 7.30pm at Tardebigge Community Hall

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

1 Apologies for absence: Cllr 5 Orr-Cooper

## 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 on the Committee of the Community Hall
- 3 MINUTES: The Minutes of the meeting held on 9th October 2025 were agreed to be a correct record. Proposed: Cllr Ryan, Seconded: Cllr Denyer

## PROGRESS REPORTS FOR INFORMATION:

Clerk: none

Chairman: none

**District Councillor:** Local Government reorganisation consultation period is over. Planning department will be going through the responses. Can't see that there will be a new plan by the time the Council has been dispanded. Section 151 Officer has left, recruitment process is under way.

County Councillor. Police and Crime Commissioner to be abolished by 2028. County have voted for 1 unitary council. Submissions to be sent to Government by 28th November 2025. Should know more by April/May 2026. Full Council meeting took place early November - Cabinet variation to capital programme put forward by Reform but voted down. Should look towards cross party working and revision to the capital budget. Not enough secondary school places by 2029, no strategic plan in place. Highway Liaison Officer has resigned, previous Highway Liaison Officer is covering until a new one is recruited. Put in proposition for speed limit to be put in down Brockhill Lane and verges to be cut back. Cllr Whittaker asked for the following to be flagged - Hewell Lane, junction with Stoney Lane, Broad Green - sides of road are disintegrating and there are potholes. Most of the drains are full. Also, there is a sunken gully at ///looked.pitch.shared What3Words location. Cllr Wheeler-Vine mentioned drains at Dusthouse Lane/Curtiss Lane What3Words location ///reckoned.staring.culling and regaining.tangling.prevents need cleaning out. Cllr Bailes to investigate getting these issues resolved.

Footpath Warden: none.

Tree Warden: none.

Conservation Officer: none

Community Hall Representative: The floor has been done.

Charities Representative: Had a meeting the previous week and it was agreed to cut

amount to NightStop and to reduce the payments for white goods.

- 5 **CORRESPONDENCE**: correspondence has been emailed.
  - a) Bromsgrove District Council: <a href="http://moderngovwebpublic.bromsgrove.gov.uk/">http://moderngovwebpublic.bromsgrove.gov.uk/</a> for details on: Planning Committee Minutes and Agendas.
  - b) Wellbeing in Partnership E-Bulletin Bromsgrove and Redditch October 2025 noted
  - c) The Rural Bulletin noted
  - d) CALC update noted
  - e) RSN Rural Funding Digest noted
  - f)) PCC newsletter noted
  - g) Rural Funding Digest noted
  - k) CALC Health and Wellbeing Newsletter October 2025 noted
  - 1) Survey on Local Government Re-organisation and CALC AGM -noted
  - m) Bromsgrove District Local Plan Draft Development Strategy Consultation 30th June
  - 20th October noted
  - n) Parish Winter Newsletter 2025-2026 noted

## 6. PLANNING MATTERS:

Applications for consideration: 25/00948/FUL - Shortwood House and Stables, Brockhill Lane, Tardebigge, Worcestershire - Installation of solar PV array - deadline for comments 29<sup>th</sup> November 2025. Councillors support this application.

**25/01209/FUL** - Oxleasowes Farm, Brockhill Lane, Tardebigge, Worcestershire - proposed single storey extension to side of existing dwelling, an enlarged replacement porch and a single storey open fronted car port extension to existing garage - deadline for comments 1<sup>st</sup> December 2025. Councillors saw no reason to object to this application, as long as it is in keeping with the existing building and complies with building regulations.

Approvals: none

Refusals: none

*Appeals*: none

Withdrawn: none

7. **LENGTHSMAN SCHEME**: Cllr Ryan requested the Lengthsman to clean the footway from the church car park to Highhouse Lane, church lane - removing the leaves and clearing the gutter.

- 8. HIGHWAY MATTERS: Cllr Tolley explained that there was a sign missing at the top of Tunnel Hill, which should be Wharf Lane. Cllr Bailes advised to write to Highways about it. Cllr Bailes to look at getting a proper bus shelter for the bus stop by High House Lane. Cllr Denyer to ask the school to contact him.
- 9. **DRAFT BUDGET**: this was approved.

10. FINANCE: To consider

**Bank Balances:** as at  $31^{st}$  October 2025 Current Account £ 7,294.92 as at  $31^{st}$  October 2025 Deposit Account £ 9,179.56 Total Balance  $31^{st}$  October 2025 £ 16,474.48

b) Receipts: £68.28 Interest

£3800 BDC precept £315.00 WCC

c) Payments for Approval:

L Griffiths: Clerk's salary for October 2025 £ 385.32 Clerk's expenses for October 2025 £ 57.05

Lengthsman duties @£20 per hour

Tutnall - hours £
Burcot - hours £

Grass cutting £ 60.00

Total £ 502.37

Unpresented Cheques: 0.00.

d) Outstanding Invoices: None

Finance Items - Proposed Cllr Whittaker Seconded Cllr Denyer

- 11. **WEBSITE OPTIONS** Clerk to trial the HugoFox website option and investigate paying monthly by Direct Debit. Details of proposed payment method to be added to the agenda for the next meeting.
- 12. CITIZENS ADVICE application for a grant. It was agreed that a donation of £100 should be given to Citizens Advice. Payment to be added to the agenda for the next meeting.
- 13. PARISH NEWSLETTER front cover to be chosen by Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December. Back up option chosen if agreement can't be reached.

<b>14</b> .	COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS - Cllr Denyer organised what food items everyone should
	bring to the Christmas meeting. Chairman to trim roses. Councillors wanted to
	congratulate Cllr Whittaker and the Chairman regarding how good the roses looked.

<b>15</b> .	DATE OF	<b>NEXT</b>	<b>MEETING:</b>	Thursday	/ 11 <sup>1h</sup>	December	2025.
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