

TUNSTALL PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Monday 4th August, 2014

Present: Cllr L. Burgess – Chair
Cllr. P. Mitchell – Vice-Chair
Cllr. C. Browning
Cllr. R. Spencer
Cllr. J. Mills
Cllr. I. Davison
Lynda Fisher, Clerk

Public Time – None present.

1. Welcome and Apologies

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting; apologies were received from Cllr. Spicer. The Parish Council again expressed its dissatisfaction that County Cllr. Roger Truelove has not attended any monthly meeting since his election in May 2013.

2. Declarations of Interest and Dispensations

There were no declarations of interest. A Dispensation has already been granted to all Members relating to Tunstall School.

3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Proposed by Cllr. Davison and seconded by Cllr. Mitchell the Minutes of the Monthly Parish Council Meeting held on the 7th July, 2014, were agreed by Members and signed as a true transcript.

4. Matters Arising from the Minutes

- 1. Complaint re. Swale Borough Council's Planning Committee Meeting on 10th April, 2014** – Clerk advised that the following response has been received from the Monitoring Officer: *"In my view there can be little benefit in taking this matter further as it would be at significant public expense and, even if a breach were to be proved, given the limited sanctions available, and the apology already made by Councillor Prescott, your request for a public apology would not be met. Of course, should any further complaint be received the matter would be assessed and decided on its merits."*

Clerk advised that in light of the above the Parish Council has gone as far as it can and Members expressed their dissatisfaction with the outcome of the complaint.

- 2. South and South East in Bloom (S&SE) Workshop** – Cllr. Mitchell advised that judging took place on the 8th July; sadly there were no general volunteer contributions despite residents being made aware of this via the newsletter. He was extremely grateful for the help given by Cllr. Spicer and resident Vivien Rich and the support from the Hall, Church and Tunstall School who were very co-operative – Mrs. Hutchings, the Headteacher, had two of the children who had worked on the planters outside to talk to the Judges. The marking takes place in September and Cllr. Mitchell is 'keeping his fingers' crossed that Tunstall has done well. He felt the way ahead in future years will be for a 'Tunstall in Bloom' group to be formed. Clerk instructed to keep this item on the Agenda. **Action: Clerk**
- 3. Tunstall School** – No response as yet received from Reverend Foulkes regarding Members having sight of the Trust Deeds or seeing receiving copies of the 'Schemes and Orders' made in the 1950s.
- 4. Updates: ZR141 (Hearts Delight); ZR150 (Doves Croft) and potholes near The Den** – Clerk advised she has reported the two footpaths; PRow has responded that they cannot instruct the landowner to cut down the crops obstructing ZR150; she has also again reported the potholes near The Den.

Planning

New Applications:

1. **14/5002783/FULL/GISI** – Single storey rear extension – Chase House, Hearts Delight Road, Tunstall, ME9 8JA – Members raised no objection to this application.

Determined Applications: None

6. Finance

1. **CPRE Subscription 2014/15** – Proposed by Cllr. Davison and seconded by Cllr. Spencer; agreed the sum of £36. **Action: Clerk**

2. **Accounts and Cheques raised at this meeting:**

The following cheques were signed and the accounts to the 31st July, 2014, approved.

Date	Cheque	Details		Amount
04.08.14	1009	L. Fisher	Expenses – Telephone; home as office - July	£10.33p
04.08.14	1010	H.M. Revenue & Customs	Tax – July 2014	£48.20p
04.08.14	1011	Tunstall PCC	Hire of Hall August	£12.50p
04.08.14	1012	O. Richards	2 Planters for Church re S&SEIB Comp.	£59.98p
Four Cheques in total				

Paid by Standing Order – Clerk’s Wages, July, 2014: £192.84p

7. WW1 Memorial

Cllr. Mitchell understands Kent County Council has been approached and asked if it would be possible to have a piece of the land left over from the new school for the site of a War Memorial, which they commented they would consider. Clerk to place this on the September Agenda and try and obtain further details, e.g. a site plan and how this could be achieved. **Action: Clerk**

6 Correspondence

1. **Kent Minerals & Waste Local Plan (MWLP) 2013-30: Submission Document Consultation - 31 July to 12 September 2014** – Bring back to September meeting. **Action: Clerk**
2. **Attending S&SEIB Awards, Brighton** – Proposed by Cllr. Browning and seconded by Cllr. Mills; agreed to pay £18 and expenses for Cllr. Mitchell to attend. **Action: Cllr. Mitchell**
3. **Supporting Swale's Town and Parish Councils** – Noted.

8. Any Other Matters Arising

1. Cllr. Browning commented that a resident of Hearts Delight Road has raised concerns about the number of Lorries ignoring the width restriction on this highway. Clerk has reported this to Kent County Council.
2. Members agreed they were minded to support the Christmas Tree Festival in Tunstall Church from 4 – 7th December and the Chair asked for this to be placed on the September Agenda and Councillors to come forward with ideas for the Parish Council submission. **Action: Councillors/Clerk**

11. Next Meeting(s)

The next Monthly Meeting will take place on Monday 8th September, 2014, commencing at 6.45 p.m. in the Midwinter Room, St. John the Baptist Church, Tunstall.

The meeting closed at 7.50 p.m.