

TURWESTON PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON 7 MAY 2019

Present: Cllrs D Richards (Chairman), A Kirkland, H Morrison, A Green, J Tilley, H Sime (Clerk),

In Attendance: No members of the public were present.

Action

1. **Election of Chairman:**
It was proposed by Cllr Morrison, seconded by Cllr Tilley and passed unanimously that Cllr Richards continue as Chairman.
2. **Chairman's Acceptance of Office:**
Cllr Richards accepted the nomination to continue as Chairman.
3. **Apologies for absence:**
None.
4. **Declarations of Interest:**
The Councillors declared an interest in item 10 of the Agenda as all their properties were affected by the proposed HS2 Rail Link. Members would take a practical view and represent the interests of the electorate.
5. **Confirmation of Clerk as Responsible Financial Officer:**
Proposed Cllr Morrison, seconded Cllr Green.
6. **Minutes:**
The Minutes of the meeting held on 19 March 2019 were approved as a true and accurate record. Proposed Cllr Green, seconded Cllr Kirkland.
7. **County Councillor & District Councillor Reports:**
None.
8. **Matters arising from Minutes:**
The Clerk had reported various potholes via FixMyStreet and these have all been attended to.
9. **Report on Planning:**
19/01122/APP - Hill Top Stables, Brackley Road, Turweston. Erection of equestrian aqua rehabilitation unit (plunge pool) and associated works. **No objection.**
19/01554/APP - Hillside Barn, Turweston Hill Farm. Erection of a viewing gallery and area of hardstanding (part retrospective). **No objection.**
 All other Planning decisions were noted.

10. HS2 Rail Link:

Minutes of the meeting held on 15 April 2019 had been circulated. It was confirmed that cables are to be undergrounded across the Playing Field. A detailed plan will be available at the APM.

Northfield House has now been let, as has Turweston Glebe. Oatleys Hall should be ready in August. There is no progress as yet on the Old Post Office.

Transportation plans are still to be finalised.

HS2 has issued an initial notification of a Compulsory Purchase Order for part of the Playing Field. The PC has appointed a Land Agent to handle negotiations with HS2 on the CPO and the loss of use over the construction period. Cllrs Tilley and Green are liaising and Cllr Tilley to resolve the billing situation, as to how the Land Agent will be re-imbursed by HS2. A meeting has been arranged on 17 May with HS2. The issue of closure of the Playing Field was discussed as this will be a matter to be raised at the meeting.

Cllr Richards thanked Cllrs Tilley and Green for their work on this matter.

JT

11. Report on the Playing Field:

Cllr Morrison has inspected the Playing Field on a regular basis during April.

No problems to report, except for some weeds around the play area, which she will treat. Cllr Richards inspecting in May.

DR

12. Other Organisations/meetings:

Presentation notes have been circulated following the Parish Liaison Meeting on 27 March.

A 'Keeping it Local: Design Workshop' has been arranged by the new Buckingham Council on 12 June, 6pm - 8pm at the Community Centre, Buckingham, if any of the Councillors are able to attend.

13. To report on Turweston Airfield:

Nothing to report.

14. Insurance Policy Renewal:

The insurance policy is due for renewal on 1 June 2019. 2nd year of a 3-year agreement. A cheque for £814.93 was signed. Clerk to arrange payment.

Clerk

15. Report on the Accounts:

i) Copies of the accounts to date and the bank reconciliation were circulated previously. Treasurers A/C at 7 May 2019: £6904.13. Business A/C: £30085.02.

Invoices Paid:	Nett	VAT	Gross	Ch	Details
Stop HS2 Ltd			745.00	745	Donation
E-On	71.35	3.57	74.92	746	Electricity 01/01/19-31/03/19
BALC			28.87	747	Subscription
123-Reg	19.98	4.00	23.98	D/D	Domain Renewal
Receipts:					
Bank Interest			1.18		
AVDC			3750.00		Precept 1 st Payment

- ii) The internal audit report was received and noted.
- iii) The PC considered the effectiveness of the system of internal financial control and was satisfied.
- iv) The Parish Council confirmed that it meets the audit criteria for 2018/19 and wishes to certify itself as exempt from a limited assurance review.
- v) The Annual Governance Statement for 2018/19 was considered and it was resolved that this be approved.
- vi) The Accounting Statements for 2018/19 were considered and it was resolved to approve these statements.
- vii) The Accounting Statements were signed and dated by the Chairman.

16. Annual Parish Meeting:

Due to EU Elections taking place in the Village Hall on Thursday 23 May, the APM will take place in The Church. Representatives from HS2 have been invited to attend. Cllr Richards had circulated his draft report for approval/comments by the PC. The Agenda and report will be circulated to residents by email. Clerk to arrange printing of copies to be delivered by hand for those not on email. Cllrs Morrison and Kirkland to provide refreshments.

**Clerk
HM/TK**

17. Matters raised by Councillors:

None.

18. Clerk’s Correspondence:

All as circulated previously by email.

19. Date of next meeting:

Annual Parish Meeting - Thursday 23 May 2019, 8.00pm, St Mary’s Church.

The meeting closed at 7.50 pm.

Signed: **Date:**