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Minutes of an Extra Ordinary Meeting of Tackley Parish Council held on 7th January 2014 in Tackley Village Hall

Present: Councillor June Collier (Chairman)
Councillors Neil Wilson, Les Summers, John Cook

14/001 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillors Robert Clow, Robin Gibbons and Paul Joslin

14/002 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

14/003 PLAYGROUND UPDATE

The Clerk has sent a letter to HMRC to inform them that the Parish Council will be claiming larger than normal VAT reclaims due to the project commencing shortly.

On 16th January a pre-start meeting will be held with the contractors. Marking paint will be used to mark out equipment and facility buildings. Disruption will be discussed with the Village Hall Management Committee/Shop. It is not thought that the area will be closed off completely. The contractors will be on site for four weeks (weather permitting) and storage of some sort will be required. The Parish Council are happy for the contractors to use the football pitch area provided they re-instate the area after use.

Discussions will be held with the Playbus to see if they can park somewhere else for the four week period. The disabled parking area was suggested as a short-term alternative parking space for the Bus. The Parish Council requested that a notice be erected requesting that people do not park in the area where the bus will be parking during this period.

Signage advising people that the work will commence will be erected and also an article will put in the Newsletter.

Councillor John Cook asked if Heras fencing would be erected and was informed that it would be.

The final fundraiser is the Barn Dance which will be held on 1st February 2014.

14/004 PLANNING

Planning Application 13/1647/P/FP –Withdrawn.

14/005 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Councillor Les Summers stated that the article on Tackley Drainage, which Councillor June Collier emailed out was very useful. Councillor June Collier informed the Parish Council that clearing of the drains should be done by 10.00 p.m. tonight outside the Village Hall. She also informed the Council that three pumps were working at the pumping station and these were being directed into the

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stream. Environmental Health at West Oxfordshire District Council have been informed and will be investigating the issue.

Councillor John Cook stated that he had come across an email from David Kidd regarding the drainage problems. The Parish Council have spoken to Oxfordshire County Council in the past with regard to the drainage issues and some remedial work was undertaken but there is not much else that the County Council feel able to do.

Councillor John Cook will speak to David Kidd in a professional capacity to ascertain what remedial steps Tackley Estate can undertake to rectify the water coming off their land. He will also speak to Jim who had been undertaking a study .

Councillor Les Summers asked if he would ask them to come to a meeting with a view to providing the Council with a report that could be passed to the County Council.

Councillor John Cook informed the Council that he had been approached by a parishioner who has advised him that the holiday lets at the top of Ball Lane have been let for four years. This is in breach of the Planning Application. Councillor John Cook would like this put on the Agenda for the next meeting of the Parish Council.

Councillor John Cook reported that he had heard that Greene King will be placing the Gardiner Arms on the market for sale in the next two weeks . Councillor Les Summers felt that the Parish Council should prevent it being sold out of the village if they can.

Councillor Les Summers requested that the item of a memorial for Jim Howard, who served on the Parish Council for 40 years, be put on the Agenda for the next meeting. It was agreed that it should. Councillor June Collier suggested that a write-up be prepared for the Newsletter and it was agreed.

Councillor June Collier raised the issue that was currently being experienced with the signing of cheques due to holidays and illness. It was agreed that Councillors Neil Wilson, Les Summers and John Cook would be added to the list of signatories for the bank account so that this problem did not occur in the future. Councillor June Collier had obtained the necessary forms and these were completed at the meeting and handed to the Clerk who will forward them to the bank.

Meeting Closed 7.40 p.m.

Signed

Date

