

TACKLEY PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of Parish Council meeting held on 26th September 2022 held at Tackley Village Hall

Present: Councillors Liz Marshall (LM) (Chair), Andrew Lines (AL), Angus Paxton (AP), Martin Mahon (MM), June Collier (JC), Richard Holland-Oakes (RHO), Richard Jackson (RJ).
Cherie Carruthers (CC) (Clerk to the Council)
Nathalie Chapple (WODC)
3 Members of the public

22/027:Public Participation: None.

22/028: Matters from the floor:

- i. Mr John Gibbins addressed the meeting in relation to the open space land in Harborne Road, he had received an update verbally from CC during the week but wanted to query why WODC had stated that the conveyancing documents would not be stored at their offices. CC summarised the following:
CC has contacted (copying in Mr Gibbins) Kelly Murphy at WODC planning, with the original planning application number W.1484/79U - 07/02/1980, she is happy to look at the application to see the original status of the land, and whether there are any planning conditions attached to it. There is an open space condition, there is a possibility that they can enforce the condition for the hedging to be removed. Mr Gibbins said that WODC should have a transaction history for the land too.

In addition to this, CC is waiting for Bowerman & Partners to come back to her with an administration cost for looking in the archive to try and locate the original deeds that predate the land registry of the Sales.

- ii. Sue Lygo made the members aware that the bins around the village hall and playground are overflowing, parents and Tackley PALS currently empty them as and when, but asked if TPC could arrange for a person to ensure they are emptied weekly.

It was agreed that an advert would be put in the shop and on Notices for a weekly empty of the 4 bins and at £50 per month. AL agreed to undertake the task until a person is found.

22/029: To consider District Council matters: *Item 7 was moved up the agenda.* NC had attended a Zoom call with the cabinet at WODC regarding the removal and lack of replacement of the dog bins. There has been a lot of protest in regard to this and it has forced WODC look at possibly reviewing the policy which was set in 2021. She said that she would go back to WODC and say we disagree that the Jubilee Gardens bin was removed as the land is owned by the PC and not private. She also recommended that the PC keep asking for a new bin at Crecy Hill.

22/030:Apologies for absence: Councillors Andy Graham (AG) (OCC) and Mathew Parkinson (WODC).

22/031:Declaration of interest: LM declared an interest in item 10.v – as she is a member of the Scout Group.

22/032:Minutes of Council meeting held on 20th June were approved as a true and fair record, proposer AP, seconder RHO and the minutes of the Council meeting held on 18th July 2022 were approved as a true and fair record, proposer RHO, seconder AP.

22/033: Matters arising from minutes of July 2022 meeting.

- i. Ramp on Zip Wire: Trevor Stewart has fixed the zip wire. The area is now safe and usable.
- ii. Open Space Harborne Road: dealt with under Matter from the floor minute ref 22/028i.
- iii. Dog bins: dealt with under Matter from the floor minute ref 22/029.
- iv. Church Hill drains: MM had been along to look at the site and confirmed that the soakaway had been there a while and had not been moved. The manhole looks to have ducts and sub sections off of it, with a new pipe installed slightly to the left. On closer inspection there is no flow through the pipe. JC advised that the Tackley fields run into this soak away and will not cope in the winter when there is a higher risk of flooding.
It was agreed that RJ and MM would look at the original planning application to see if there is anything stated on it.
- v. Catchment Study: AG has been very poorly and not in post, therefore there is no update on the study. CC to email him and ask for an update when he returns.
- vi. Old goal posts on playing field: MM confirmed that the posts had been removed.

22/034: To consider County Council matters: No update due to AG apologies. TPC wish to send their Best Wishes to AG and hope for a speedy recovery.

22/035: To consider planning matters: No applications but the meeting noted the following update on the Gardiner Arms application.
On the 20th September 2022 the Planning Inspectorate rejected the appeal on the Gardiner Arms planning application.

22/036: Parish amenities:

- i. **Tackley Heath update:** The Heath Committee asked if the pathway from the black gate to the holly tree could be cut back approx. 1m to keep the area open. CC will contact Green Scythe and get a quote.
- ii. **20mph scheme update:** RHO updated that he had received confirmation that Tackley is in the second round which is estimated to start the end of this year/beginning of next. He suggested the council decide to ringfence the £10,000 agreed for the project.
- iii. **Footpath Fortnight report:** AP updated that he had not received many volunteers to walk the routes, therefore it is still work in progress. JC clearly said that it needed to be done annually in order to keep the routes clear of vegetation.
- iv. **Building on Plinth on Village Green for electricity:** MM had met with SSE at the green and advised that a box approx. 800mm x 800mm x 350mm needs to be installed as a statutory requirement before SSE will make the connection. It could be located behind the post, but it would still be visible from the houses facing the green. It was agreed that the Christmas on Green committee would have to be made aware and wait for their thoughts.
- v. **Request for use of playing field: Scouts Fireworks display 5th Nov 22:** It was a unanimous decision to allow the fireworks.

- vi. **Request for marquee at side of village hall:** A request to erect a marquee at the side of the village hall from the afternoon of the 25th March 2023 to the morning of 26th March 2023. They are planning to block the footpath down the side, AP noted that the footpath is a public footpath so there must be an alternative provision made for this along with wheelchair access. MM said that the underfloor heating pipes run out from the side of the hall along that area, and they are only approx. 500mm underground, therefore the marquee pins would perforate them as they are approx. 1m long. JC said that a map is needed to see exactly where these are positioned.

RHO and MM also expressed a fire risk concern and said that a full Fire Assessment needed to be done if the fire exits are to be blocked.

CC will go back to the person who has requested the marquee for more information.

- vii. **Dog poo bins** dealt with under minute ref 22/029

- viii. **CCTV in the Car Park:** The VH committee had contacted LM to notify that they will no longer be responsible for the camera in the car park. The system is dated, and the village shop is getting a new system installed. AL confirmed that parishioners get comfort in the knowledge that there is a camera overlooking the carpark. LM said the new system was £2,385 but would ask how much one camera for TPC would be, but it was agreed to support this in principle.

- ix. **Playground bin emptying** dealt with under minute ref 22/028ii

22/037: Section 106 consultation: CC updated that she had taken the printed leaflets for delivery along with the newsletter. It was agreed that the date for the public consultation of the most popular ideas would be 20th November 2022. CC to ensure the hall is booked.

CC confirmed that there was £189,878.57 available in S106 monies from WODC and £4,000 from OCC. She thanked John Cook for his help in getting the money from WODC.

22/038: To consider matters of finance and policies:

- i. It was approved that the following payments were ratified and the impact the payment would have on the budget and reserves.

Proposed: JC, seconded: AL: **APPROVED**

Online	Gross Amount (£)	VAT Value (£)	Payee	Details	Power
	2,364.12	394.02	Greenscythe Ltd	Inv 14704 June, 14818, July, 14928 Aug Maintenance	Open Spaces Act
	900.00		Tackley Parochial Church	2021,2022 & 2023 Church yard contribution	Open Spaces Act
	81.20		Texprep	S106 leaflet printing	LGA 1972 S112
	201.60	33.60	Playsafety Ltd	Annual playground inspection	Open Spaces Act
	2,093.52		Clerks Pay	£697.84 x 3 – June, July & Aug salary	LGA 1972 S111

- ii. **Tree felling:** LM had obtained quotes for the felling of Mrs Nudds' pine tree and for the ash tree along Chaundy Road. It was agreed to proceed with M Blake for the works.

Ash Tree: M Rudge @ £1,500.00

M Blake @ £948.00

TCT @ £1200.00

Pine Tree: M Rudge @ £750.00

M Blake @ £348.00

22/039: It was resolved to move into a closed session and the exclusion of press and public in accordance with the Press and Public (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, due to the confidential nature of the business to be discussed in relation to the following matters:

i. AL had conducted an appraisal with CC.

Regarding pay, CC's pay scale should have increased over the last 3 years, but CC has now also completed a further qualification and is in progress of completing her FiLCA course. At the time of employment in 2019 CC requested to be enrolled in the Local Government Pension Scheme. This has not happened to date, changes during COVID likely put things on hold.

He proposed the following questions to the members:

Question 1: Does the PC agree to put up CC's salary from £16.38/hour (SCP 26) to £17.70/hour (SCP29)?

Question 2: Does the PC agree to CC being enrolled in the LGPS? PC contribution seems to be 21.7% of gross salary, although this includes administration fees.

1. All in favour of increasing pay to SCP29

2. All in favour of enrolling in pension scheme in principle. 21.7% seems to be very high, AL to look into this further and provide more detail at the next meeting.

Next meeting: 17th October 2022 at 7pm.

Meeting closed at 9:30pm

Signed as a true record of the Tackley Parish Council Meeting held on 26th September 2022.

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