

## TARRINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

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### Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 10th November 2014 at 7.30pm

#### Present

Councillors R Hodges (chairman), M Daron, P Grey, J Tallis, J Ward, & C Winter

#### In attendance

Backbury Ward Councillor John Hardwick  
Janet Chester – Parish Clerk

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The chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**1/11/14 Apologies for absence** - none

**2/11/14 Declarations of Interest and Requests for Dispensations -**

Cllr Name	Agenda Item	Interest Declared	Nature of Interest
Cllr R Hodges	10b PCC War memorial	NDPI	Member of PCC
Cllr J Ward	10b PCC War memorial	NDPI	Member of PCC

**3/11/14 Public Participation Session for Local Residents to raise matters relevant to the Parish Council**

Ward Cllr Hardwick was asked to investigate why traffic lights were in for in position for over a week outside Ivy Cottage for a small job that only took a few hours, and in place for a long time at Garbrook with no work being carried out and who was paying for them

**4/11/14 To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> September 2014 (previously circulated)**

The minutes of the meeting were agreed as a true and accurate record and were duly signed by the chairman.

**5/11/14 To receive brief report from Ward Councillor John Hardwick**

Cllr Hardwick advised that Herefordshire Council have held a further meeting on a possible rail link to Rotherwas. The eastern bypass of Hereford is still being pushed to ease the increased traffic and congestion around Holme Lacy & Mordiford. The anaerobic digester at Hampton Bishop is leading to a greater number of tractors and lorries using the road via Mordiford rather than going through Hereford. A new planning application has been submitted. On 9<sup>th</sup> October Herefordshire Council held a meeting to discuss the budget which was reported to be on track. There has been a 6% increase in Adult Social Care budget (ASC) over

#### Action

**Cllr Hardwick**

the year. The impending care act will effect future budgets, with new assessments in 2015 an additional £8 million may be required. 58% of ASC is self-funded with 22% of Herefordshire's population over the age of 65. Talks on the planned university project are progressing. At the Overview and Scrutiny meeting there was a discussion about Council Tax Reduction, the outcome is not yet decided. Cllr Hardwick finished on a sad note reporting that Cllr Olwyn Barnett, a well respected Chairman of Herefordshire Council had recently passed away.

#### **6/11/14 Correspondence/Discussion/Communication/Consultations**

##### **a) Councillor Resignation**

Cllr John Hodges had sent in his resignation as he has moved away. This was acknowledged and accepted. Cllrs expressed their thanks for his service and wished him well in his new home. The clerk will advise Herefordshire Council. **RESOLVED**

**Clerk**

The clerk will also contact Cllr Essex as he has not attended a meeting recently. **RESOLVED**

##### **b) Jubilee Green – Tarrington Village Green**

Letters had been received from residents wishing to purchase the green which were noted. It was decided that the clerk will respond advising that the Parish Council will continue to own and maintain the green.

**Clerk**

**RESOLVED**

##### **c) Notice Boards**

Cllr Grey is dealing with the repairs of the notice boards. The notice board at Barrs Orchard needs the back boards painting. **RESOLVED**

**Cllr Grey**

##### **d) BT consultation on proposed removal of public payphones**

The phonebox in the village has been identified as one that is not being used and BT have offered the Parish Council or registered charities the chance to adopt it for £1. Discussion took place and it was decided that it was not in the right place to prove useful eg as housing for a defibrillator or small library. **RESOLVED**

#### **7/11/14 Planning**

##### **a) Planning Applications to be considered:**

**P142988/F The Steppes, Little Tarrington, HR1 4JD**

Proposed replacement window

**PC Comment:** The Parish Council support this application

##### **b) Considered Applications - none**

**c) To note planning record (circulated) and decisions of Herefordshire Council on planning applications:** as per the planning record and Herefordshire Council website - noted

#### **8/11/14 Tarrington Neighbourhood Plan**

Cllr Tallis reported that the questionnaires have been passed to Data Orchard for analysis of the results by the end of November. 420 were

given out and 270 returned (64%). 181 were entered in the prize draw and a winner drawn. The remaining grant must be spent by 31<sup>st</sup> December.

#### **9/11/14 Highways and Footpaths:**

##### **a) To receive any new highway issues and updates**

A parish walk with the new locality inspector took place on 15<sup>th</sup> October. Cllrs advised problems and these have been logged.

Cllr Grey is to speak to the property owner regarding overhanging brambles near Tarrington Court. **RESOLVED**

##### **b) Works for the Lengthsman**

The clerk is to ask the lengthsman to phone Cllr Tallis regarding removal of suckers in the verge by Church Lane.

##### **c) Update from Footpaths Officer**

The footpaths officer had nothing new to report.

#### **10/11/14 Finance:**

##### **a) To note finance report (previously circulated) – noted**

##### **b) To consider request for donation to PCC for War Memorial repairs**

A request has been received for a donation towards the repairs of the war memorial. This was discussed and £500 was AGREED. The PCC are to be asked to consider insurance of the war memorial. **RESOLVED**

##### **c) Payments approved: RESOLVED**

628: Richard Morgan - grass cutting Sept - £72.50

629: J Chester - clerk Salary & Expenses Oct 2014 - as agreed

630: Richard Mills - lengthsman duties Oct - £310.20

##### **d) New Financial Regulations**

The clerk has completed the final draft which was discussed and councilors agreed to adopt them. **RESOLVED**

##### **e) To decide Bank Signatories and complete new Bank Mandate**

Cllrs Daron and Ward were proposed as new bank signatories, which was agreed and the bank mandate completed.

##### **f) Precept requirement 2015/16**

The clerk has received notification from Herefordshire Council that they wish to be advised of the parish council's precept requirement by 31<sup>st</sup> December 2014. A meeting of the finance working group took place on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> October to discuss the 2015/16 budget and a recommendation was made to full council to keep the precept at £11500. Lengthsman match funding of £200 was agreed and a precept of £11500 was agreed. **RESOLVED**

**NDP Team**

**Cllr Grey**

**Clerk**

**Cllr R Hodges**

**clerk**

**11/11/14 Training / Meetings:**

**a) To note dates of upcoming meetings and make note of any required places –**

Affordable Warmth wed 12<sup>th</sup> Nov at Tarrington

**b) To receive report from meetings attended –**

none

**12/11/14 To Note Information & Outstanding Actions Sheet (previously circulated) – reviewed and action sheet amended accordingly**

**13/11/14 To raise items for next scheduled Parish Council Meeting (no discussion)**

- Jubilee Green
- Councillor Vacancies

**14/11/14 To confirm the date of the next meeting**

Monday 12th January at 7.30pm

**The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 9.30pm**

**Signed..... Dated.....**