

TARRINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 12th January 2015 at 7.30pm

Present

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

In attendance

Backbury Ward Councillor John Hardwick
Janet Chester – Parish Clerk

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The chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1/1/15 Apologies for absence - Cllr C Winter (illness)

2/1/15 Declarations of Interest and Requests for Dispensations -

Cllr Name	Agenda Item	Interest Declared	Nature of Interest
Cllr J Tallis	10c	NDPI	Payment to self
Cllr P Grey	10c	NDPI	Payment to self

3/1/15 Public Participation Session for Local Residents to raise matters relevant to the Parish Council

Some residents from Church View were present wanting to speak about Jubilee Green and clarify the position. Over the years they have contributed to the maintenance of the green because they get the main benefit of it. They have seen in previous parish council minutes the matter of the future of Jubilee green. If the parish council wished to sell the green they would be willing to purchase it. It was decided that the parish council wished to retain the ownership of the green as in the Neighbourhood Development Plan 48% of residents thought it was important to retain green space. The residents were thanked for their offer and told that if the situation changes in the future the parish council would contact them. The residents then presented the parish council with a cheque as a contribution to the ongoing maintenance of the green.

The clerk had received an email from a resident advising that the picnic benches to the side of the green are in bad repair and are not used. As there is another bench seat to sit on, it was **RESOLVED** to remove these as soon as possible.

The roadside hedge by Jubilee Green needs the width reduced by thinning the hedge. The clerk will get quotes.

4/1/15 To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 20th November and Tuesday 9th December 2014 (previously circulated)

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

5/1/15 To receive brief report from Ward Councillor John Hardwick

Cllr Hardwick advised that he had no recent news to report. Herefordshire Council have a meeting to finalize their budget on 6th February. £2.5 million is to

Action

Cllr Grey

Clerk

be spent in High Town and Broad Street to link it with the new Cattle Market Development. 16000 houses are planned in Herefordshire in the years to 2031.

6/1/15 Correspondence/Discussion/Communication/Consultations

a) Councillor Vacancies

Following Cllr Hodges resignation and Cllr Essex disqualifying himself through non-attendance at meetings there are presently two parish councillor vacancies. The clerk is awaiting the official notice from Herefordshire Council, but in the meantime an article advising of the elections in May and encouraging residents to become a parish councilor is to be placed in the Tatler. **RESOLVED**

Clerk

b) Jubilee Green – Tarrington Village Green

As per minute 3.1 above. **RESOLVED**

c) NALC 2014-16 National Salary Award Advice Note dated 4th Dec 2014

The clerk had circulated the advice note to all councillors. This was noted and agreed. **RESOLVED**

d) Election Day – Thurs 7th May 2015

As per 6a above – a flyer advising of such to be placed in the next edition of the Tatler.

Clerk / Cllr Ward

e) To decide date of Annual Parish Council meeting

Agreed as Monday 11th May 2015. **RESOLVED**

All Cllrs

7/1/15 Planning

a) Planning Applications to be considered: none

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

8/1/15 Update on Tarrington Neighbourhood Plan

Cllr Tallis reported that the draft NDP is to be discussed at a meeting on 13th January. An open day / days is to be held mid-February for residents to comment on alternative boundaries. The NDP grant monies had to be spent by 31st December. The final figures are being calculated but it was anticipated that the majority of the grant had been used. Thanks were expressed to the NDP steering group and particularly Cllr Tallis for their hard work and time.

9/1/15 Highways and Footpaths:

a) To receive any new highway issues and updates

There are potholes at the top of Durlow Lane in need of repair. The salt bin at The Leys still needs re-siting and the bin at Swan House needs replacing. **RESOLVED**

Clerk

b) To consider purchase of new batteries for SID's

It was agreed for the clerk to purchase four batteries at a cost of around £31 each. **RESOLVED**

Clerk

c) Speed limit on A438

It was suggested that a 40mph buffer zone would slow cars down when entering the village. The SID data collected suggests that this would be of no benefit at the Hereford end of the village. At Garbrook there are no cases of accidents to support a 50mph speed limit. Threshold gates of countdown boards were also suggested. The clerk will arrange a meeting with Herefordshire Council highways representative to discuss the options. **RESOLVED**

Clerk

d) Pedestrian crossing outside Tarrington Arms

This matter could also be discussed at the above planned meeting. It was suggested that Section 106 monies could be used for this if/when any become available. It was suggested by Cllr Hardwick that the parish council should compile a "wish list" of things required for the village. Cllrs were asked to give this some thought and bring ideas to the next meeting. **RESOLVED**

All Cllrs

e) Litter bins and dog fouling

An article is to be placed in the Tatler asking residents not to place dog mess in litter bins and to take it home with them as the bins at Common Road (2), Church Lane (1) and Bramble Cottage (1) are not being emptied by Hereford Council as they contain more dog mess than litter. The clerk is to explore the costs of dog mess bins. **RESOLVED**

Cllr Ward

Clerk

f) Works for the Lengthsman

The hedge at Jubilee Green. Suckers in the verge along Church Lane need removing. Brambles around salt bins need cutting. The clerk read out a quote from Richard Morgan for the forthcoming year which was discussed and accepted. The clerk will confirm this to Mr Morgan. **RESOLVED**

Clerk

g) Update from Footpaths Officer

The footpaths officer had nothing new to report. The footpaths are all clear. The footpath notice boards will soon be ready for installation.

10/1/15 Finance:

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

b) To consider request for donation to Tarrington Tatler Parish Magazine

A request has been received for a donation towards the costs of producing the magazine. This was discussed and £700 was AGREED. **RESOLVED**

c) Payments approved: RESOLVED

- 636: LECH – hall hire - £60.00
- 637: Richard Morgan - grass cutting Oct - £221.00
- 638: RJ Barrell – Jubilee Green hedge cutting - £50.00
- 639: P Grey – notice board repair materials reimbursement - £16.28
- 640: J Tallis – NDP expenses reimbursement - £188.72
- 641: J Chester - clerk Salary & Expenses Dec 2014 - as agreed
- 642: Data Orchard CIC – NDP support - £1208.00
- 643: Tarrington Tatler – parish magazine - £700.00

11/1/15 Training / Meetings:

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

Hereford Diocese Combatting Loneliness – 31st Jan, Shire Hall Hereford – Cllrs Daron & Ward are attending

HALC Eastern Area – Tuesday 10th February 7.30pm at Colwall (TBC) speaker from Herefordshire Council Neighbourhood Planning Team

b) To receive report from meetings attended – none

12/1/15 To Note Information & Outstanding Actions Sheet (previously circulated) – reviewed and action sheet amended accordingly

13/1/15 To raise items for next scheduled Parish Council Meeting (no discussion)

- Jubilee Green
- Councillor Vacancies
- Representative onto Parish Hall Committee
- Parish Wish List

14/1/15 To confirm the date of the next meeting

Monday 9th March 2015 at 7.30pm

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 9.49pm

Signed..... Dated.....

Clerk