**TIDESWELL PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD**

**ON MONDAY 11TH MARCH 2024**

**PRESENT:** - Cllrs Andrew, Angelakopoulos, Daniels, Gibson, Horne, Moore, Whitehouse, Whittle, Warr, Cllr Buttle (DDDC) & Hannah Owen (Clerk)

**01.03.24 APOLOGIES**
Cllr Nuttall

**02.03.24 VARIATION OF BUSINESS**

There was no variation of business.

**03.03.24   DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

There was no declaration of interests.

**04.03.24 PUBLIC SPEAKING**

There was no public speaking.

**05.03.24 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

The Minutes of the monthly Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 12th February 2024 were proposed as correct by Cllr Moore, seconded by Cllr Whitehouse and with all unanimously agreeing, were signed by the chairman.

**06.03.24 DETERMINE IF ANY ITEMS ARE TO BE MOVED TO PART II CONFIDENTIAL**

No items were moved to Part 2.

**07.03.24 CHAIRS ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Cllr Andrew welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**08.03.24 VILLAGE REPORT**

1. Play Areas

The grant application is completed and is to be hand delivered to County Offices in Matlock.

Reports of mess at Richard Lane Park have been received. This includes littering and more debris from the Markovitz site. This is being cleared by the village caretaker and the situation will be monitored.

A quote of £1300 has been received for the removal of equipment and flooring at Richard Lane Park. It was agreed to accept this quote when the park redevelopment commences.

1. Footpaths and Highways

An email has been received from a concerned resident regarding the condition of the walls and surfaces on Meadow Lane. This concern will be noted and passed to DCC Highways.

Litton PC have contacted the Parish Council to discuss the current mowing of the entrance to Tideswell at the Buxton Road area. It was agreed that the side which belongs to Tideswell should be maintained by us. The Clerk will discuss with the mowing contractor and take over the maintenance.

An enquiry has been made regarding the possibility of turning a strip of grass into car parking on Sherwood Road, after the Pinfold junction before Meadow Lane. Concerns have been raised regarding the closeness to the junction. It was agreed that it would need to be looked at by Highways at Derbyshire County Council.

It was agreed to contact Nigel Megson and ask for the work at the Bobby Steps to be done as soon as possible and the Clerk will advise residents that the steps could be closed temporarily at short notice.
2. Toilets

The Clerk has received further correspondence from the visitor who requested compensation after damage to his coat whilst using the facilities. A discussion with insurance representatives asked the Clerk for Councillors to consider if the PC had been negligent. Based on the information provided by the Clerk they felt the PC had not been so. The PC regularly check and monitor the toilets as well as clean the toilets. Damage that may have occurred in between these times, whilst unfortunate, can’t be avoided due to the nature of access to the facility. The Public toilets are open at all times. When reports of damage are received, action is taken and after receiving this information the toilet roll holder was removed. The Public Toilets are there for the use of people and the Parish Council took over the management to ensure the facility remained in the parish and avoid closure. The Councillors agreed that the PC was not negligent and could not provide 24/7 monitoring of this facility.

1. Cemetery

The Council discussed the recent vandalism to the grave at the cemetery. It was agreed that although very distressing for those involved, this was a police matter and an isolated incident. That been said if there is any further incidents the clerk will contact the Police and look at the possibility of the loan of suitable CCTV equipment. It was agreed that it was hoped not to be necessary as the cemetery is not somewhere you’d like to see CCTV.
2. Gardens, Mowing/Strimming and Trees

The Gardener continues to work through his list and areas are improving. Cllr Daniels suggested the saw pit area requires some attention.

Paul Storer has been to the trees at Condliffe Terrace and the tree requires reducing slightly. He will do this over the next week.

1. Bins and Street Furniture

It was agreed to meet in Gratton Gardens with Nigel and discuss the location of the notice board and how to erect it. Clerk to arrange with Nigel and Cllrs.
2. Housing Needs Update

No updates
3. Common Land

It was RESOLVED to accept the quote from Sam Furness of £4750 for the wall repairs with a reserve of £500 for extra cement and materials that may be required. This was proposed by Cllr Moore, seconded by Cllr Daniels and all agreed. The Clerk will contact Sam to arrange the works.

1. War Memorial
The Clerk has contacted a company in Nottingham to seek a quote for the cleaning and sealing of the war memorial.

Cllr Daniels suggested the paving slabs required jet washing. Councillor Moore offered to loan her jet wash and it was agreed to do the clearing ourselves.
2. Tideswell Community Park

The Clerk advised she had sent a letter to peak park on behalf of the Tideswell Community Park development project outlining the Parish Council’s support for the redevelopment of the site and that the PC are looking forward to viewing the plans in the near future.
3. Library

The Parish Council have received an email from the Library group asking for confirmation that the two further payments of £1000 over the next two financial years are still confirmed. This is so the group can plan their upcoming budgets. The Clerk will confirm this to Paul Black and the next payment will be made at the April Parish Council meeting.
4. Environmental Issues

The environmental agency are wanting to install a water post in Tideswell to monitor water in the area. Cllr Buttle has received the request and it was suggested he contacted Lyn Crowe from TDEG to suggest suitable locations.

1. Community Speedwatch

The signs have arrived and it was agreed they looked good. Cllr Andrew offered some assistance from a member of his team to help with the installation around the village. Cllr Daniels offered to help on this and will update the Councillors.
2. Christmas

No updates.
3. Neighbourhood Planning / Parish Plans

No updates.

**09.02.24 PLANNING**

1. **Applications**

**NP/DDD/0224/ 0144 Plot of land South East of Pursglove Drive, Tideswell. Single Dwelling House.

The Parish Council consider the land not suitable for development but will send comment based on any application received.

NP/DDD/0224/0134 Charnwood, Gordon Road, Tideswell, Single storey front extension first floor gable extension above garage, internal remodel to entrance, improved access to rear patio to improve parking and solar panel installation.

The Parish Council have no objections and support the development to improve the house for the owners.

NP/DDD/1223/1527 and NP/HPK/1223/1521 Hope Shale Quarry Review of minerals permission.**

The Parish Council feel the document is very difficult to understand and take in the information. It is suggested an executive summary of the information be circulated so further comment could be made if necessary.

**Decisions**

**NP/DDD/0124/0035** Caryle Cottage Sunny bank. Proposed single storey domestic extension. **REFUSED**

**NP/DDD/1223/1496** Monksdale House replacement of monopitched roof on existing storage shed with a new dual pitched roof**. GRANTED.**

 **10.03.24 TIDESWELL COMMUNITY HALL**
Following the recent meeting with the group where it was decided they would like to proceed with the Parish Council purchasing the community hall from DCC, it is with some surprise to be informed that DCC are not prepared to sell to the PC as a third party under the heads of terms agreed.

It was agreed to contact TADVO to ask for an update on where they are with their fundraising and how they are proceeding.

Cllr Buttle suggested the Community Hall be registered as an “Asset of Community Value” at DDDC. He will look into this and come back to the Parish Council with more information.

 **11.03.24 TIDESWELL COMMUNITY AWARDS.**The Tideswell Community Awards are confirmed to be held on Saturday 27th April at Fountain Square Church. The Clerk will organise arrangements. Requests for nominations have been placed in the Village Voice and on Tideswell People Facebook page. Nominations will be confirmed at the April Parish Council meeting.

Cllr Moore suggested having an interactive session where the public could vote on certain issues. For example real or artificial Xmas trees and “No Mow May”. Further discussions will be had and a plan will be decided upon next meeting.

**12.03.2024 UPDATE ON ONGOING MATTERS FROM THE CLERK**No further updated

**13.03.24  FINANCE**

Accounts for Payment were proposed by Cllr Moore , seconded Cllr Horne and all voted in favour.

**March**

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|  | **Cost purpose** | **Amount** |
| Hannah Owen | Salary and expenses | £1446.01 by BACS , broadband and ink/stationary £42.27, stamps £18 (24 second class) cheque total £60.27 |
| Adam Serper | Salary | £438 BACS and extra £117 by cheque |
| HMRC | PAYE | £333.92 |
| Mick Dalton | Caretaker cover | £180 |
| Tideswell PCC | Hire of Institute  | £29 |
| SSE | Toilets electricity | £ tbc |
| Markovitz | Village maintenance  | £19.08 |
| M Easton | Gardening  | £60 |
| James Warriner  | Maintenance tasks  | £670 |
| waterplus | Toilets water | £301.08 |
| Eyres  | Village Supplies  | £74.10 |

**14.03.24 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

**Items for Information DCC Emails, DDCVS emails. Burial fee information, cemetery emails, DALC Emails, Peak Park updates, Playground emails, toilet emails, concerns re meadow lane, Highways information email, cemetery damage , TDEG Updates. Rural Services Network emails, DDDC Emails.**

**15.03.24 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

It was RESOLVED that the next Monthly Meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Monday 8th April 2024 at St John’s institute at 6.30pm.

**16.03.24 CONFIDENTIALITY RESOLUTION**

There were no confidential items discussed.

The meeting closed at 19.45