

TARRINGTON PARISH COUNCIL (TPC)

MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 10TH JULY 2023 AT 7.35 PM IN LADY EMILY COMMUNITY HALL

Present: Cllrs Gillian Board, Jakki Cunningham, Paul Grey, Robert Hodges, John Tallis (Chairman), Janette Ward.

In attendance: Paul Hayden (Clerk).

Public: Five.

62/23 APOLOGIES

Apologies received and accepted from Cllr Howard.

63/23 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST & WRITTEN DISPENSATION REQUESTS

No interests declared or written dispensations requested.

64/23 CO-OPT TO FILL THE COUNCILLOR VACANCY

The prospective parish councillor was invited to give a brief presentation on her background, what skills she would bring to the Council, and how she would represent the views of Tarrington parish residents.

RESOLVED: Linzy Outtrim was co-opted onto the parish council. After completing and signing her declaration of acceptance of office of councillor, she joined the meeting.

65/23 PUBLIC SESSION

65.1/23 The Ward Councillor did not attend this meeting and so no report was presented.

65.2/23 Three local residents (representing 30 other residents) attended the meeting to raise the ongoing issue in Little Tarrington with speeding/dangerous drivers, increased HGV usage and caravan park users continuing to approach the caravan park via the lane from Woodend/Ashperton rather than the signposted A438 road junction. Road markings and slow warning signs have been worn away exacerbating a dangerous situation. (This has been reported to Herefordshire Council by the parish clerk and residents).

RESOLVED: The Clerk requested to write to the Ward Councillor to set up a meeting with the three Little Tarrington residents who attended the meeting.

Members considered requests received from two Barrs Orchard residents for the parish council to install EV charging points in the Tarrington village car park and the car park at Lady Emily Community Hall. Investigation shows that Government grant funding will cover between 60% to 75% of the costs of installing an EV charger, but to qualify individual applicants must have access to off-street parking, with the exception of the On-street Residential Chargepoint Scheme available only to local authorities (in this case Herefordshire Council).

RESOLVED: The parish council are unable at this time to consider installing EV chargers, but would consider approaches from commercial companies interested in installing and providing EV charging services to residents.

- 66/23 MINUTES FROM THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 19th JUNE 2023**
RESOLVED: These minutes were approved as an accurate record of the meeting and signed by the Chairman.
- 67/23 PLANNING**
There were no planning applications for Members to consider at this meeting.
- 68/23 ROAD SAFETY**
The gully at the junction of Church Lane and School Road is still blocked despite recent Balfour Beatty action. The problem is complicated by a broken drain-pipe and was escalated to a drainage technician on the 4 January 2023.
The Clerk is currently arranging a meeting for Cllr Howard with the Locality Steward from BBLP to look at existing and potential defects within the parish.
RESOLVED: Cllr Howard will report back at the next meeting on his tour with the BBLP Locality Steward.
- 69/23 ROAD MARKINGS IN LITTLE TARRINGTON**
The Clerk reported the problem to Herefordshire Council on the 2nd June 2023. No response has been received.
RESOLVED: Clerk requested to continue to chase.
- 70/23 WEST MERCIA POLICE**
West Mercia Police have written to say that following the parish council requested speed survey in Garbrook they have no plans to carry out any van based speed enforcement in Garbrook. Van based speed enforcement has begun in Tarrington and will continue on a regular basis.
- 71/23 SID INSTALLATION**
Members NOTED that TPC are still awaiting a response from Herefordshire Council (HC) on the TPC assessment request for the new SID location at Garbrook.
RESOLVED: The Clerk will request the Ward Councillor to speak to the HC officer in charge to progress this request.
- 72/23 FINANCE**
72.1/23 Members approved the financial reports from the Responsible Finance Officer (RFO).
72.2/23 Members considered all the invoices listed by the RFO.
72.2.1/23 White Digital Tarrington Village Website annual hosting inv-20004 £180 plus VAT.
72.2.2/23 Reimburse Cllr Tallis SID expenses £15.99.
72.2.3/23 Autela Payroll Service Q1 2023/24 charge inv. 11565 £48.32 plus VAT.
72.2.4/23 Richard Morgan grass cutting invoice 1724 £110.00.
RESOLVED: All invoices approved for payment.
72.3/23 Members considered the following quotations:
72.3.1/23 Elan City SID new batteries £147.92 plus VAT.
72.3.2/23 Fitzpatrick Woolmer footpath fingerpost £1,559.00 plus VAT.
RESOLVED: To purchase the replacement SID batteries, but not to purchase the fingerpost.

73/23 FOOTPATHS

Members considered the Parish Footpath Officer's report. The Parish Lengthsman has agreed to repair the broken stile at Church Hill on TR6 which the Council will fund due to the lack of response from the HC PROW Team. The broken stile was first reported to HC on the 13 July 2022 and reported again at the beginning of March 2023. Members agreed to fill the Footpaths Noticeboard with information to promote walks in the parish.

RESOLVED: Cllr Board requested to update campsite walks map.

RESOLVED: Clerk requested to obtain a larger PROW map for the noticeboard.

74/23 BENCH FOR LECH

Members considered Cllr Ward's proposal for a new bench to be installed in front of LECH.

RESOLVED: This has been passed to the LECH Committee and the item removed from the agenda.

75/23 HEREFORDSHIRE MINERALS & WASTE LOCAL PLAN MAIN MODIFICATIONS CONSULTATION

Members felt unqualified and unable to respond.

RESOLVED: Cllr Outtrim will review and respond on behalf of the Council if she is able.

76/23 MATTERS RAISED FOR THE NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING ON MONDAY 11th SEPTEMBER 2023

Road Safety.

Little Tarrington road safety issue.

West Mercia Police Community Charter update.

SID installation.

Footpaths report and outstanding actions.

Minerals & Waste Local Plan Consultation

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.58 pm.

SIGNED.....

DATE.....

These minutes were approved as an accurate record of the meeting and signed by the Chairman at the ordinary parish council meeting held on the 11th September 2023.