

Tankersley Parish Council

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Minutes of the Meeting of Tankersley Parish Council held on Monday 19 April 2010

In attendance were: Mrs Helen Reckless (Chair), Mr P Simpkin (Vice Chair), Mr Jock Jones, Mr Terry Woods, Mr Paul Reckless, Ms Carol Smart, Mr Cuthbertson, observer and Mrs H E Charlesworth (Clerk)

1. Apologies for Absence were received from, Mr Andy Belk, Mr R Garforth, Mrs Kate Dodds
2. The minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 15 March 2010 were circulated prior to the meeting were taken as read and the chair was authorised to sign them.

3. Matters Arising

3.1 Highways Issues, Clerk reported that clarification has been sought from Highways Dept re the setting down of double yellow lines at New Rd/ Westwood New Rd. The yellow lines will go through the bend and stop short of the zig zag markings. This is deliberate, as they do not want to cease all parking, just in the hazardous location. Noted

3.2 Highways, Clerk confirmed a site meeting with Steve Gibbons is to be arranged to discuss the condition of the verges in the Parish. Awaiting confirmation . Noted

4. Financial Matters:

a) Expenditure	i) Clerk's salary -April 2010	£ 264.93
	ii) Clerk's Expenses – March	£ 89.04
	iii) Yorkshire Water	£ 33.74
b) Income	i) Interest on Deposit Account	£ 7.95
	ii) Advertising	£ 20.00
	iii) Reimbursement of VAT	£ 1,910.92
	iv) Parish Precept 2010/11	£11,600.00

Current and Deposit Account Statements
As at 31 March 2010

Current Account	£ 2,212.34
Deposit Account	<u>£ 11,402.89</u>
TOTAL	<u>£ 13,615.23</u>

d)Other Financial Matters

- **3rd signatory required for bank transactions.** Clerk explained that following the resignation of Cllr Mrs Thelma Brotton, a 3rd signatory would be required for banking transactions. It was proposed and resolved that Cllr Terry Woods would become the 3rd signatory. Clerk to arrange completion of relevant paperwork. Agreed.
- **Parish Council Insurance.** The clerk summarised the details of the cover and premium required from Allianz re the Annual Insurance, due 1 June 2010. £770.83, an increase of 8.5% is the required premium. It was proposed that the Clerk should obtain 2 further quotes as a comparison. Agreed.

5. Planning Applications

a) Application 2010/0240, Erection of 4 residential dwellings, Land adj to 28 Stone Row Court, Tankersley, Barnsley. After discussion it was agreed that the PC would object to the plans due to the proposed plans being 3 storey's high, and requesting clarification whether the land is designated building land. Agreed.

b)2010/0425 Display of 2 internally illuminated box signs and one internally illuminated free standing sign, Maple Rd, Wentworth Industrial Park, Tankersley, Barnsley. No objections or observations.

Comments were requested by BMBC re the proposal of a licence being granted to the owner of 61 Westwood New Rd, Tankersley, in respect of vehicular & pedestrian access r/o the above addresss. After discussion it was agreed that the PC has no comments to make. Agreed

6.Parish Plan

Newsletter,In the absence of Cllr Richard Garforth, editor. Cllr Helen Reckless reported that a draft of the Newsletter had been issued for proof reading, and was almost complete. Discussion continues around the information being included in the Newsletter re the appeal hearing for the warehouses, to be held in the Welfare Hal on Weds 12 May 2010. It was agreed that that the Clerk would speak to Richard regarding the turnaround of the Newsletter, If it is likely to be complete and distributed before 12 May then the information could be included in the Newsletter, if not then a flyer would be produced and Cr Jock Jones wil arrange distribution.

Website, No issues.

VDS. No further developments, Clerk to confirmed speaking with the photographer, who is aware of the deadline for the end of May 2010. Clerk will continue to monitor and hopefully be able to provide some photos for the next meeting.

Enhancing the Village. Cllr Paul Simpkin confirmed that plans are ongoing, and further meetings will take place. The group are looking at trying to encourage groups to enter, any suggestions of local community groups would be welcome. Noted

Parish Plan. The Clerk tabled a copy of the Parish Plan issued in 2003/04. It was suggested that the Clerk should check files to obtain a copy of the original questionnaire that was issued in the Parish in 2003. Cllr Paul Reckless may also have some data from the original survey. It was also suggested that the PC may consider issuing a reduced questionnaire. Also suggested, that the PC may put some suggestions forward to the Parishioners and compare with any suggestions which might be received back from residents. Agreed to retain as an agenda item and possibly include in a future edition of the Newsletter reviewed.

7. Group Reports

Tankersley Community Association, no representative able to attend the last meeting.

Crime and Safety Partnership It was reported that dog fouling has become an issue, any suggested areas would be monitored. Suggested locations were Rockley View, Stainbrough View, footpath onto Pilley Lane, New Rd, Pilley Green. Noted. It was reported the the new sergeant had been following up theft reports, and is a very active sergeant. The PC asked if it could be feedback to the Crime & Safety partnership that they are very pleased with the response from the newly installed sergeant. Other incidents reported were stolen vehicles, and purges on copper cables. Noted.

TPEG, The group continues with planting schemes. They have been involved with the Steel Valley Partnership, looking at Potter Holes Plantation. Looking at projects: i.e. installing bird boxes, clearing the pond, including a bio diversity study of the pond.

Tourism Focus Group It was reported that the group are looking at drawing up a constitution in order to assist with their funding. Next meeting is Thurs 22 April 2010.

Forge Partnership. It was reported that the Arts for Health has ceased, although another arena has to be set up. Rockingham Community group are still trying to establish partnerships. Sure Start is making very good progress and is very well supported.

8. Parish Council Vacancy The Clerk reported that after checking with Electoral Services no response had been received from the electorate regarding the posting of the current casual vacancy posted on 24 March 2010, therefore co option was permissible. After discussion, it was agreed to wait until after the Newsletter was distributed, as this edition would also include the advertisement for the 2 Councillor vacancies. Possibly to include details of the Parish Councillor role and responsibilities in a future edition of the Newsletter, in order to highlight the posts Agreed

It was resolved that standing orders should be amended to reflect the current number of members when relying on a quorum in order to hold the Parish meeting. ie currently 4 from 9, rather than 5 from 11. Agreed.

9.ARG, A6135 No representative available to report on outcomes, although Cllr Paul Reckless wanted to raise that he had recently viewed the minutes of Wentworth Parish Council where it became apparent that meetings of the ARG had been taking place, and that TPC had not been informed of these meetings. Furthermore, it had been minuted by WPC that TPC were not as proactive. TPC has previously asked for any suggestions (see Dec 2009) where support may be required to be forwarded to them, no requests received to date. After discussion it was agreed that clarification is required as to the progress of the group, and the 2 Parish Councils, and how to take this forward. Tankersley Parish Council **does** want the road to become a safer road. Agreed to review at the next meeting.

10. Motorcross...The clerk confirmed details of the meeting which was agreed to meet with the Council Leader, meeting to be held Tues 20 April 2010, 4.00 pm at Barnsley Town Hall. It was noted that events are still taking place. Clarification would be sought re these events. Agreed.

11.Pic Nic Benches The Clerk confirmed receiving details of a quote for 2 x Picnic benches , of £1800. TPC are looking to receive matched funding,funding applications have been made to CSF and EPIP, as agreed. Awaiting responses, Clerk to report back at the next Parish Meeting.

12. Correspondence

- a) Letter from M & S Taylor, re sponsorship. Clerk to write letter of reply
- b) Letter from BDO re External Audit

Lates

13. Any Other Business

- a) Pot Holes have appeared again on New Rd, and Tankersley Lane. Clerk to report to Highways. Agreed
- b).Glebe Farm, issues concerning accumulation of vehicles, this has been reported, awaiting progress reply from Planning enforcement team. Clerk to follow up.
- c)The Dovecote, it was reported that the tarpaulin placed over the roof of the dovecote is severely damaged. Clerk to write to the landowners requesting maintenance.
- d) Meet the Funder event to be held at Rockingham Welfare Hall on Thursday 22 April 3-6pm, an excellent opportunity for a representative of TPC to attend re future funding possibilities, Noted, Cllr Jock Jones will try to attend.

There being no other business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 21.10, Date of next meeting, Monday 17 May 2010.