

# Tankersley Parish Council

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## **Minutes of the Meeting of Tankersley Parish Council held on Monday 18 April 2011**

In attendance were: Mrs Helen Reckless (Chair), Mr P Simpkin (Vice Chair), Mr Jock Jones, Mr,R Garforth, Mr P Reckless, Ms Carol Smart, Mrs Kate Dodd, Ward Cllr Mr J Andrews, Mr Robert Lodge member of the public as an observer and Mrs Helen Charlesworth, Clerk

1. Apologies for Absence were received from, Mr Terry Woods, Mr R Horsfall

2.The minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 21 March 2011 were circulated prior to the meeting were taken as read and the chair was authorised to sign them, approved by Cllr Jock Jones and Cllr Paul Simpkin

### **3. Matters Arising**

3.1 Highways Issues, The Clerk reported that the SID (Speed Indicator) has been requested, the site position is to be surveyed and information re approximate dates for deployment to be confirmed.

3.2 Clerk reported after making contact with Steve Gibbons, BMBC Highways Engineer, he is to investigate possibilities of road safety implications and improvements at Pilley Green. Arrangements to meet to be confirmed

3.3 Grass verges, the Clerk confirmed contact with Morrison Utilities has been made, awaiting replies from Engineer. As there have been many issues regarding parking on grass verges around the village this situation will be monitored. Agreed

### **4. Financial Matters:**

<b>a) Expenditure</b>	i) Clerk's salary – March 2011	£ 277.59
	ii) Clerk's Expenses – Feb 2011	£ 73.51
	iii) YLCA Annual Membership	£ 309.00
	iv)Rural Action Yorkshire Membership	£ 35.00
<b>b) Income</b>	i) Interest on Deposit Account March 11	£ 6.54
	ii) Parish Precept	£11,985.00
	iii) VAT Reimbursement	£ 604.11

## Current and Deposit Account Statements

As at 31 March 2011		
	Current Account	£ 1897.67
	Deposit Account	<u>£14,622.28</u>
	TOTAL	<u>£16,519.95</u>

### d)Other Financial Matters

**PAYE Implementation.** Following information received from HMRC the Clerk reported that all Parish Council' s wef new financial year must now be registered as an employer and that they must now register PAYE for all employees. Discussions continued around how best to do this. The Clerk explained that speculative agencies had offered to provide a payroll service, at a cost of approx. £144 per annum. A software package to produce a monthly payroll would be around £55 plus VAT, it was considered that this would be the best way to operate PC Payroll, Agreed. Clerk to purchase software package. After further discussion it was proposed and agreed that on line banking would be the best way to operate to ensure that the payments would be paid on time, ie by 19<sup>th</sup> of the month. (HMRC deadline) Clerk to liaise with Nat West Bank & Cllr Paul Reckless.

**Parish Council Insurance** The Clerk reported that the Annual Insurance premium has been received and reported that an amount of £772.46, due on 1 June 2011 was required for the forthcoming year. It was considered that savings may be made. Clerk to research and report at the next meeting. Agreed.

### Grant Applications

Tankersley Bowling Club, Mr Chris Adgie, Secretary of the Bowling Club attended the meeting to present information to the Council in support of their Grant application. Mr Adgie explained that after meeting with BMBC Parks services the current maintenance programme will continue for 12 months only. Therefore the equipment which they are planning to purchase would allow the Club to continue to maintain the Green. Mr Adgie left the meeting, the Council continued to discuss the issues. The following proposals were put forward: 1) To award £300 now, and once membership numbers increase to 15 then to award the balance of £258. Proposal 2) To award the amount in in full, but to explain that if further funding was required in the future then the Bowling Club would need to show that they have recruited more local members. After a majority vote it was agreed to award the Grant as per option 2. Clerk to write to Mr Adgie. AGREED.

## 5. Planning Applications

None received

## 6.Parish Plan

**Newsletter**, Cllr Richard Garforth, Editor reported that the latest edition is all but complete. One or two articles/adverts to be finalised. The Newsletter will be proof read and then sent to the printers within the next few weeks. Noted.

**Website** It was confirmed that Mr David Shearn now has limited access to be able to upload certain items to the website as previously agreed Cllr Garforth is still looking at and considering moving the host of the website.

**Parish Plan** The Clerk summarised the minutes of the first meeting of the sub group. It was agreed that the budget allowance would need to be set. Printing costs would be an issue, approximate costs difficult to estimate at this stage. Total budget amount not agreed, although a budget to be allowed in Principal. Initially set up costs of £250 agreed. Next Meeting Thursday 12 May 2011, 7pm, Welfare Hall.

## **7. Group Reports**

**Tankersley Community Association** .No representative able to attend the last meeting..

**Crime and Safety. Partnership.** No meeting, next meeting will be Thursday 28 April 2011. Issues to be included at the next meeting; Youths continue to congregate in large groups, particularly on Friday evenings. Noted.

**TPEG**, Discussions re litter picks at Potter Holes Plantation. Issues with residents concerning trees in Potter Holes Plantation which require cutting back (crown lift).

**Forge Partnership** It was reported that most of the outcomes of the last meeting were not relevant to TPC.

**Local Council Elections** The Clerk was able to confirm that there will be no Contested Election for Tankersley Parish East. There were no nominations received for the Tankersley West ward, Clerk awaiting further details from Electoral Services re this issue. Noted.

Mr Robert Lodge has recently expressed an interest in becoming a Parish Councillor. The Clerk is awaiting advice from BMBC, Electoral Services re current vacancy,. Possible Cooption at next meeting.

**9 Improving the Village.** The Clerk reported on details received from Mark Jones re costs for hanging baskets for the village . £132.15 + VAT includes basket, bracket, installation etc, reduces to £77.15 + VAT for the following year. After discussion it was considered that this would be very costly, and prove too expensive. It was suggested that other floral exhibits could be considered, ie flower beds around the village. It was agreed that a question to this effect could be included in the Parish Plan questionnaire.

## **10. Correspondence**

- a) SYPTE, Letter re local Bus Service Changes, Noted
- b) E Mail via Ian Turner, re Armed Forces Day. Noted
- c) SY Fire and Rescue monthly brief, Noted

## **Lates**

a)BDO External Audit, Letter and infor re deadline for External Audit. Noted

## **11.Any Other Business**

- a) Glebe Court, it was raised that a number of residents had been concerned following a recent report in the Barnsley Chronicle re Planning and the demolition of garages at the site. Noted.
- b) Fenn Rd, It was noted that the street lighting issues on Fenn Rd had now rectified and the new Streetlights were installed and work complete.
- c) Thorncliffe Way, a question was raised regarding the pond off New Rd/ Thorncliffe Way, as the pond is currently dry. This is a regular occurrence, not a cause for concern.
- d) Play equipment in Pilley Pocket Park, it was raised that this subject needs to be considered by the Council. It was agreed to set as an agenda item for the next meeting.

**There being no other business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 21.02, Date of next meeting Mon 16 May 2011**