

# Tankersley Parish Council

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## **Minutes of the Meeting of Tankersley Parish Council held on Monday 15 February 2010**

In attendance were: Mr P Simpkin (Vice Chair), Mr Jock Jones, Mr Terry Woods, Mr A Belk, Mr R Garforth, Mr Paul Reckless, Mrs Kate Dodd, Ms Gail Strigant, local reporter and Mrs H E Charlesworth (Clerk)

1. Apologies for Absence were received from, Mrs H Reckless, Mrs T Brotton
2. The minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 18 January 2010 were circulated prior to the meeting were taken as read and the chair was authorised to sign them.

### **3 Matters Arising**

- a) Highways Issues, Clerk summarised a letter received from Highways, Traffic Management, re consultation of waiting restriction being set down o/s St Peter's primary school at Westwood New Rd/ New Rd, Tankersley. It was agreed that the Highways Dept should be thanked for their response to the PC regarding this concern, and clarification sought as to the length of the double yellow lines, ie up to the Zig Zag markings. Agreed.
- b) Highways continued, Pot Holes. Clerk summarised a reply from Highways re the recent reports concerning pot holes, Noted that some locations are to be monitored, i e Pilley Ln and The Avenue. It was acknowledged that prompt action had been carried out in the area, and a letter of Thanks should be forwarded to Highways, Agreed, Clerk to write to Highways.
- c) Planning Issues, The Gate Inn Site. Clerk reported on discussions with Planning development and an e mail reply from Joe Jenkinson. It was agreed that confirmation was required as to what the land r/o the site would be used for. Confirmation required that the land would not be used as gardens for the prospective dwellings. Clerk to contact planning. Agreed.
- d) Parish Precept, Clerk read out a reply from Borough Finance regarding the formula and values used in setting the Tax base. A copy of the information was tabled and discussed

### **4. Financial Matters**

#### **a) Expenditure**

i) Clerks Salary, Jan 2010	£	264.93
ii) Clerk's Expenses	£	59.69

#### **b) Income**

i) Interest on Deposit Account (Jan 2010 )	£8.38
ii) Advertising	£100.00

**c) Current and Deposit Account Statements, as at 31 Dec 2009**

Current Account	£ 574.66
Deposit Account	<u>£12,387.37</u>
TOTAL	<u>£12,962.03</u>

**d) Other Financial Matters**

None

**5. Planning Applications**

- a) 2010/0054, Erection of front conservatory extension to dwelling. The Yews, Lidgett Lane, Pilley. Barnsley. No Objections, No Observations.
- b) 2010/0086, 22 Silkstone Close, Pilley, Barnsley. 2 storey front extension. It was noted that the dwelling would not be in the same character as the other dwellings in the vicinity, and that it would be obtrusive and impinging on neighbouring properties, Clerk to write letter of objection. Agreed.

The Clerk informed the Council of the Notification of appeal received from BMBC Planning and Transportation Service for Erection of 3 Industrial Units each with 3 storey ancillary office accommodation, car parking service yards and associated works and landscaping. Wentworth Industrial Park, Wentworth Way, Tankersley, Barnsley. Date is yet to be confirmed. It had been suggested that the appeal could possibly be held at the Welfare Hall, Clerk to pursue possibility of this with TCA, re bookings etc. Further info required concerning who would be able to attend, the type of discussion etc. Clerk to speak to Planning Dept. It was proposed that a mail shot could be arranged to inform local residents. Clerk to cost approx 700 photostat copies. Agreed.

**6. Parish Plan**

**Newsletter**, Cllr Richard Garforth reported that work is progressing on the next edition of the Newsletter, approx 24 pages. Items to be included are details of the scarecrow competition, Tankersley Golf Challenge etc. Deadline set at Friday 16 April 2010 for articles to be received by Richard Garforth, Newsletter to be printed by end of April.

**Website**. It was reported that there has been some problems with the website, although this is now rectified and the site is up and running again. Noted.

**Village Design Statement** The Clerk reported an e mail reply back from the photographer stating that he agrees to have the photos by the end of May 2010, and hopes to be able to provide some progress by mid March, weather permitting. Noted.

**Enhancing the Village** It was reported that the working group had met and set out a draft copy of rules and an entry form. This proposal was tabled to the Council. The competition would be held to coincide with the Summer Gala, Sat 3 July 2010. After discussion it was agreed to change to documents slightly. It was agreed to have 4 prize categories, the PC agreed to donate prize money. The Group will meet again, and report back at the next PC Meeting.

At this point it was suggested that the PC would need to re visit the Parish Plan at some point in the near future. It was suggested that a sub group could be arranged to look at this project. Agreed to set as an agenda item for the next meeting for further discussion. Clerk to include a copy of the current Parish Plan. Agreed.

## **7. Group Reports**

**Tankersley Community Association** Cllr Richard Garforth attended the last meeting. Issues continue regarding the furniture required by the PC. After discussion it was agreed that the PC would be happy to use chairs from the stage area, to avoid unnecessary spend. A provisional date for the Bonfire has been suggested as Sat 6 November 2010. Clerk explained that she has been asked by TCA if they are required to hold a Health & Hygiene certificate for the kitchen in the Welfare Hall. It was agreed that the PC do not require this certificate, after discussion it was agreed that the PC would not contact Environmental Health. It was suggested that Tony Green, Learning Net may be able to advise TCA, Clerk to pass on details. Agreed

**Crime and Safety Partnership** Cllr Paul Simpkin reported on outcomes of the last meeting, including that the group are to trial holding all their meetings at Birdwell Methodist Church for the next six months, to help with continuity. Incidents of youths congregating at McDonalds have been heavily policed in recent weeks

**Forge Partnership** Opening date for the Welfare Hall has been set for 12 March 2010. Budgets have recently been reduced, uncertainty in some areas, but generally still a strong partnership.

**TPEG** The group are looking at improving the flower beds in front of the Welfare Hall. They are also looking at clearing some of the footpaths in Potter Holes Plantation. Cllr Jock Jones reported that he has been in contact with PROW re footpaths in the area, and asked the PC if they would approve of him obtaining a revised copy of the Definitive footpaths map, the Council agreed this. TPEG are also looking at Thinning out/clearing the area r/o the Welfare Hall on Sat 20 Feb 2010.

Rural Barnsley Conference, Cllr Jock Jones reported on issues raised at this well attended conference. Noted.

**8. Parish Council Vacancy** It was resolved that the PC should go ahead with the posting of vacancy for Parish Councillor. Clerk to arrange publication of Notices on Parish Boards, and inform BMBC Electoral services. Gail Strigant agreed to include in editorial in Barnsley Chronicle. Agreed.

**9. A6135 ARG** The Group continues to gather data, Cllr Andy Belk asked if the PC would endorse any road safety statements for the web site, agreed by TPC. Clerk to review other endorsements and report and next meeting.

**10. Motor Cross Track adj A616** The Clerk informed the Council that unfortunately Cllr Steve Houghton, Council Leader had been invited to attend the meeting but had not be able to attend, his secretary has offered for the meeting to take place at the Town Hall on a date to be mutually agreed. The Council agreed to acknowledge this fact, and arrange a meeting at a future date, once all correspondence, facts etc had been collated. It was proposed that a meeting should be held to arrange this. Agreed, Meeting to be held on Thurs 25 Feb, 7.00pm in Council Chamber.

**11. Pilley Pocket Park, picnic benches** Cllr Jock Jones explained that he was waiting for some information regarding replacing the pic nic benches(which were recently removed) with a product

made from recycled glass. Possible funding would be required. Cllr Jock Jones will follow up and report at the next meeting.

## **12. Correspondence**

- a) YLCA, South Yorkshire Branch Agenda. Noted
- b) SYF&RA Briefing Note, Feb 2010. Noted
- c) YLCA, Info re Standing orders. Noted, fwd by e mail to councillors at request.
- d) Letter from Berneslai Homes re Glebe Court. Noted

## **Lates**

## **13. Any Other Business**

- a) Glebe Farm site, scrap continues to accumulate at this site, it was asked if change of use of land had been applied for, as this is very unsightly and many complaints have been received.
- b) Complaints received re increased dog fouling around Colliery Yard, Clerk to report.
- c) Wentworth Station, 2 properties are currently being re-furbished, scrap hunters have been in the area. Garage across the road was broken into last week.
- d) Drainage improvement work has been completed by BMBC at Wentworth Station. It was proposed that TPC should write to Highways thanking them for their efforts. Also to write to Network rail and Wentworth Estates re there commitments at this location and when is it likely to be carried out.
- e) Verges on Tankersley Lane have been left in a very poor state following maintenance work which was recently carried out. Clerk to write to Highways Agency.
- f) Graffiti, it was reported of more incidents of graffiti, Bus Shelter at Pilley Green and phone box.
- g) Broken fence between the Chapel and Pilley Pocket Park, can PC identify who would be responsible for repair. Clerk to investigate.
- h) It was noted that the small garden "Peace of Pilley" has recently been "tidyed up", it was proposed that a Thank you letter should be sent to Jo Birch and team for this work. Agreed.
- i) Noted that a BMBC litter picker had recently been working in the area along Westwood New Rd.
- j) It was noted that CE Electric are currently undergrounding some O/H Lines and services to properties in the vicinity of Walker Rd/ Fenn Rd. Cllr Paul Simpkin explained that there is a temporary site cabin inserted, he will speak to the Engineers at the site to ensure the verges etc are properly reinstated. Noted

There being no other business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 21.21, Date of next meeting, Monday 15 March 2010.

## ***DIARY ITEMS TO BE MONITORED***

- *Request for update of Double yellow lines o/s St Peters school, clarificataion required re the position, i.e. up to zig zag markings.*
- *The Queens Diamond Jubilee, to monitor for events in 2012.*