

# Tankersley Parish Council

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## **Minutes of the Meeting of Tankersley Parish Council held on Monday 21 January 2013**

In attendance were: Mrs H Reckless (Chair) Mr P Simpkin (vice chair) Mr J Jones, Mr R Garforth, Mr R Lodge, Ward Cllr Mr J Andrews, and Mrs H E Charlesworth, Clerk

**1. Apologies for Absence.** Mr T Woods, Mr R Horsfall, Mr P Reckless, Mrs D Simpkin

**2. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest.** None

**3. Approval of the Minutes** The minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 17 December 2012 were circulated prior to the meeting were taken as read and the chair was authorised to sign them, approved by Cllrs Mr Jock Jones and Mr Paul Simpkin.

### **4. Matters Arising**

4.1 Bus Shelter, Worsbrough View, the Clerk reported on progress to date with the request to install a new bus shelter on the opposite side of the road at Worsbrough View. Mr David Young, Director of Customer Experience, SYPTE had replied stating that the footpaths on either side of the road were not considered wide enough to accommodate a new shelter. The Clerk also reported that she had written to Berneslai Homes with regard to the PC asking to taking part of the boundary wall at the village centre garden. No reply received to date, clerk to follow up prior to the next meeting, Agreed.

4.2 Commemorative tree, the clerk summarised details supplied by Mike Egner at BMBC re the options available for the tree. Three options were put to the Council, after further discussion it was agreed that option 2, the Picea pungens (Colorado Spruce) @ £160.00 each, would be the preferred choice. Clerk to arrange the planting of the tree with Mike Egner. Agreed.

4.3 It was noted the Mrs Clarice Brook, local resident who will celebrate her 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday in 2013, the date of her birthday is 12 December 2013. Clerk to diarise and raise at Oct 2013 meeting.

### **5. Financial Matters:**

#### **a) Expenditure**

i) Clerk's salary Jan 2013	£ 222.19
ii) Clerk's Expenses – Dec'12	£ 56.88
iii) Yorkshire Water	£ 24.08
iv) T C A Grant Award	£ 250.00
v) R Garforth, website annual fee	£ 23.76

<b>b) Income</b>	i) Interest on Deposit Account - Dec '12	£ 9.58
	ii) Allotment rent	£ 27.00

**c) Current and Deposit Account Statements as at 31 December 2012**

Current Account	£ 565.85
Deposit Account	<u>£ 23,320.52</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>£23,886.38</u></b>

**d) Other Financial Matters**

- **Precept 2013/14** The Clerk presented to the Council details following a briefing session with Steve Loach, Finance Manager, BMBC, re changes to Council Tax and the setting of the Parish Precept; including details from a model example to assist in setting the parish precept. The model automatically calculated the council tax that would be charged on each property band together with a comparison against the council tax charged for each band in 2012/13. After much discussion and several proposals, it was eventually proposed and seconded that an amount of £12,585.00, an increase of 5% would be required for the PC to meet its expenses. Clerk to write to BMBC Finance, agreed.
- **Grant Application from TCA.** After a review of the balance sheet as requested, and discussion, the Council agreed to award the full amount on this occasion, although it should be noted that any future grant applications for furniture would need to be considered very carefully. Clerk to write to TCA, Agreed.

**6. Planning** None Received

It was noted that after a query was raised regarding the Farm shop, Sheffield Rd, Hoyland Common, it was noted that the original Planning application did include permission for change of use. Noted.

**7. Parish Plan**

**Newsletter** Richard Garforth, Editor is currently collating articles for the Spring 2013 Newsletter.

**Website** No issues reported with website.

**Parish Plan** Helen Reckless tabled a draft versions of the design so far of the Plan. An A4 and A5 draft were put forward for consideration. Several options were discussed, including formats for the inclusion of the questionnaire. After discussion it was agreed that the A4 version would be the preferred option, preferably in 2 parts. Helen Reckless is to obtain more information on the production of the document prior to the next meeting. An expression of gratitude was passed to Cllr Paul Reckless who has developed the draft so far. Noted.

## **8. Group Reports**

**Tankersley Community Association.** No report. Although it was noted that the date for the Summer Gala will be late June 2013. Noted.

**Crime and Safety Partnership.** No report, next meeting will be Feb 2013.

**TPEG** The Group would like to arrange a litter pick in association with the PC, preferably in the Summer, prior to the Gala. The Gala may look to the PC to help promote locally. Noted.

**Forge Partnership** No Report.

**9. Parish Council Vacancy** The Clerk reported that following the vacancy being advertised on the Parish Notice Boards, and Electoral services being notified. Electoral services have confirmed by e mail that no election has been requested, and that the PC is able to coopt at their convenience. Noted

**10. Children's Christmas Parties.** It was noted that the Christmas parties should take place on Friday 6 December 2013. Clerk to book the hall, and research details for an entertainer. Agreed.

## **11. Correspondence**

- a) YLCA Information note, noted.
- b) Letter from A One Re A61, Westwood New Rd, Noted. Clerk to contact Mr Spruce for further information and invite to attend a future TPC Meeting, Agreed.
- c) YLCA Info, Parishes not to be capped in 2013/14. Noted
- d) YLCA, Village Green and Common Land training, noted
- e) E Mail from M Cullen, BDM, Barnsley & Rotherham Chamber, noted
- d) e mail from Ian Turner re Cawthorne Parish Clerk & vacancy, Noted, Fwd to R Garforth
- e) YLCA, LTN Disciplinary & Grievance arrangements, Noted, Clerk to retain file copy.

## **12. Any Other Business**

- a) It was raised that there have been traffic and parking issues on Westwood New Rd, due to the vehicles at the building site, adj to Glebe Court. Clerk to inform Gillian Wilkinson, and advice to contact the warden at Glebe Court.
- b)TPEG, it was noted that the group have recently placed the notices in several locations to inform residents that bulbs have been planted. Noted.
- c) Grit Bins, It was raised that there have been numerous problems at Pilley Green/ Princess Grove area, following recent snow fall and the fact that there no longer any grit bins. This led to discussion about the future plans, i.e Snow wardens. It was agreed to set this issue as an agenda item for the next meeting.

**There being no other business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 21.03 Date of next meeting Monday 18 February 2013.**