# Tankersley Parish Council

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## Minutes of the Meeting of Tankersley Parish Council held on Monday 18 June 2012

In attendance were: Mrs H Reckless (Chair) Mr P Simpkin (vice chair) Mr Jock Jones, Mr R Garforth, Mr P Reckless, Mrs D Simpkin, Mr R Horsfall, Mr P Whitehouse, Miss Helen Whitehouse, Barnsley Chronicle reporter and Mrs Helen Charlesworth, Clerk

- 1. Apologies for Absence. Cllr Mr Terry Woods
- 2. Declarations of Personal Interest, None.
- **3. Approval of the Minutes** The minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 21 May 2012 were circulated prior to the meeting were taken as read and the chair was authorised to sign them, approved by Cllr Robert Lodge and Cllr Jock Jones.

### 4. Matters Arising

4.1 Highways issues, planting of wild flowers on Pilley Lane. The Clerk summarised outcomes regarding the project to plant wildflower beds in the village. Andrea Jackson, BMBC has supplied a copy of the licence required by Highways Dept in order that the PC can carry out the required work. It was considered that further research would be required before moving ahead, ie. required funding, work load etc. It was preferred that a member of Highways would need to attend a future meeting to discuss all the implications. Cllr Helen Reckless (Chair) explained that she has recently been in contact with a representative from "Friends of the Earth" who would also be happy to speak to the Parish Council with a view to projects in the woodlands and hedgerows. It was Agreed, to invite this representative to attend a future meeting for further information and advice.

#### 5. Financial Matters:

a) Expenditure	i) Clerk's salary June 2012	£	222.19
	ii) Clerk's Expenses – May 2012	£	75.70
	iii) HMRC Qtrly PAYE contribution	£	166.20
b) Income	i) Interest on Deposit Account	£	9.67
	ii)		

## c) Current and Deposit Account Statements as at 31 May 2102

Current Account	£ 216.76	
Deposit Account	£28,245.99	
TOTAL	28,462.75	

### d)Other Financial Matters

 Internal Audit and Authorisation of Accounts The Clerk reported that Mrs Sue Schubert had recently completed the internal audit on behalf of the Parish Council. The members of the council approved and chairman authorised the Internal Audit and External Audit. The Chairman and Clerk were authorised to complete the statements of Accounts and Assurance. Completed Audit to be sent to external auditors. AGREED

## 6. Planning Applications None Received

#### 7. Parish Plan

**Newsletter** It was reported that the latest edition (May 12) had been well received, it was noted that the next edition would be October '12.

**Website** the Clerk reported that there are training issues. Copies of recent minutes are to be uploaded. Cllr Denise Simpkin requested a copy of training guidelines, Clerk to forward. Agreed

**Parish Plan** a report from the last meeting was received, the introduction for the Plan is currently being prepared. It is anticipated that by the Sept PC Meeting the group will be able to present the draft plan to the PC. With a view to the questionnaire being issued in Spring 2013. Next sub group meeting will be Thursday 19 July 2012.

#### 8. Group Reports

**Tankersley Community Association** No report. Clerk to pass on details to TCA Secretary for Mr Paul Whitehouse, recently nominated as TPC representative. Agreed

**Crime and Safety Partnership**. Next meeting is Thursday 21 June 2012. It was reported that a banner o/s St Peter's School has recently been torn down. Noted

**TPEG** It was reported that knotweed is growing in Potter Holes Plantation, which has previously been destroyed. It was noted that the application to the media competition "Clean for the Queen" was received late, and will not go ahead. The group are considering a Parish "walkabout".

## Forge Partnership Nothing pertinent to TPC

**EPIP** In the absence of Cllr Terry Woods, TPC representative at EPIP, the Clerk reported that a brochure has recently been issued by EPIP, highlighting their achievements in the previous 12 months, available to any interested parties. Tourism meeting is Weds 20 June 2012. Noted.

**9. Allotments** The Clerk reported that after contacting Elaine Down, Neighbourhood Pride, re the large tree at the allotment site. Andie Nixon, from the Arbour team has recently assessed the tree

and suggested that a Crown lift would be recommended, at a cost of £200. It was agreed that the Clerk should arrange with Andie Nixon for the work to be carried out. Agreed. The Clerk reported that Mr Pelton, the tenant at allotment No 7, has been served with a letter to terminate his agreement wef Sept '12, as he is in breach of the allotment agreement. After discussion it was considered that the PC should review the allotment agreement, it was suggested that a sub group could be established in order to do this, although volunteers would be required. It was agreed to retain as an agenda item for the next meeting. Cllr Richard Garforth to prepare research for the next meeting. Agreed. The clerk read an e mail from a concerned resident regarding the waiting list for an allotment, Clerk to reply to Mrs Scales informing her of the current position. Agreed.

- **10. Motorcross** Information was presented to the Council re activities at the Motorcross Park. Despite not being registered as an official business, the information from various websites would indicate otherwise. Copies of adverts, indicating events, data, access instructions, etc were tabled. It was also raised that there are no current footpath closure in place. It was also noted that despite reassurances from Regulatory Services, the reinstatement work has not been completed. After discussion it was proposed that the Clerk should follow up the site meeting previously requested. If no response is received prior to the next PC Meeting (16 July ) then the PC will take this issue to the local government ombudsman. Clerk to write to Planning enforcement, once again cc to Council leader.
- **11. Speeding Issues** The Clerk supplied details of the SID results for various locations throughout the villages recently received from S Croft, Highways. These results were tabled and discussed by the Council. It was noted that these results are not for publication.

The clerk reported that an email reply and letter by post had been received from Mr Wilkinson, Lacton House. Mr Wilkinson expressed his thanks for including his article in the latest Newsletter. He went on to point out the SID recently installed at Pilley Green were in his opinion, sited in the wrong place, although, it was more recently noted that the SID was now situated at the opposite end of New Rd, close to Lacton House. Mr Wilkinson had included several recent photographs indicating poor road signage throughout the village, this was noted by the PC, it was agreed to forward all details on to BMBC Highways Dept. Clerk to reply to Mr Wilkinson also. Agreed.

12. Parish Council Procedures In addition to PC procedures previously addressed, the Clerk reported an e mail request received from Mr Shearn (member of the electorate) regarding the posting of the calling notice for the annual meeting. It was noted that in future it may be possible to include details of the Annual Parish Meeting in a future edition of the Newsletter in order to advertise this event. Clerk to reply to Mr Shearn. Also a request for a copy of the Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting under the freedom of Information Act (see Item 13 c) has been received from Mr Shearn requesting that a copy of the draft minutes be issued at his request. After discussion, and advice sought from the Borough Secretary, it was agreed that the Clerk should forward a draft copy of the minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting to Mr Shearn.

## 13.Correspondence

- a) YLCA, Adopting the new Code of Conduct. The Parish Council agreed to accept the code in principle, wef 1July 2012, subject to any amendments once the completed regulations have been received, although concerns were expressed about the information not being available and incomplete. Noted.
- b) e mail from Mr Wilkinson re Speeding inc Newsletter article. Clerk to forward on all details of poor signage to BMBC, Highways.
- c) e mail from Mr Shearn re Freedom of Information request. Clerk to reply and issue a copy of the minutes explaining that this is only a draft at this stage. Agreed.

- d) YLCA, Info re improvements to the policy and legal framework for public rights of way, Noted, Fwd to all Councillors, FI.
- e) YLCA, Briefing Re major infrastructure planning regime, fwd to all, Fl,Noted
- f) LCR, Tabled, a copy issued to Cllr Garforth, Noted

#### Lates

- a) E mail re Olympics 2012: Have the Olympics come to you! a request asking for suggestions of places to display the "Big Screen" a large mobile screen, supplied by BMBC in conjunction with the Newham Partnership. Clerk to reply to suggesting the screen be located in Pilley Pocket Park, Pilley Lane. Agreed
- b) Woodland Trust, Accessible Woodland Data, Clerk to complete and return. Agreed

## 14. Any Other Business

a) It was noted that temporary road signs have been erected in places along Pilley Lane, without any prior notification. Although it was later established that the reason for this was that drains inspections had been carried out. Noted

There being no other business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.11pm, Date of next meeting Monday 16 July 2012.