

# TADMARTON PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF A PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2021 AT 7PM IN TADMARTON VILLAGE HALL

### Councillors Present

Tim Turner (Chairman), Paul Higley, Steve Kingsford and Kevin Tomblin

Christine Coles (Parish Clerk) and one villager

### **21/65. Apologies**

Cllr Perera (family) and Cllr Fitzpatrick (family)

### **21/66. To receive Declarations of Interest under the Council's Code of Conduct relating to business on the agenda**

There were no interests to declare.

### **21/67. Public participation session**

There were no matters raised.

### **21/68. To approve the minutes of the last meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> July 2021**

The minutes were approved and signed as a true record of the last meeting.

### **21/69. To review the action list**

Repair work at Stant Hill – Highways have advised there will be a road closure from 8<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> November for work to be carried out.

Village Sign – The design was briefly discussed and the idea of a sign with black and white drawings on it. It could be placed on the Pound. Cllr Kingsford to sketch some drawings.

Speedwatch- The Parish Clerk to order five extra large high visibility vests.

Bus Cage markings outside the village hall – The work will be done by Highways when there is a budget available.

### **21/70. To receive an update on Speedwatch**

Nigel Demery (ND) attended the meeting to talk about Speedwatch. He has produced a very comprehensive summary which had been circulated before the meeting. The new PCSO Lana Smith has said that Thames Valley Police are reviewing the Community Speedwatch Programme. Therefore on this one occasion ND put the machine in the back of his car and did not collect vehicle registration numbers.

30 sessions were held over 82 hours and at six sites in the village. Overall 55% were sticking to the speed limit and 45% were not. The police only prosecute over a certain figure, 35mph or more in a 30mph area.

The response from horse riders includes the problem being outside the village on bends, hedges being cut short enough, increasing visibility. Most drivers have been courteous and respectful, some truck drivers stop and turn their engines off. Along the Tadmarton Heath Road (LT) there could be another warning sign by the bend as cars speed along that road.

The one site which had the greatest number of speeders was Ushercombe View and the vehicles were travelling in both directions. The majority of the village is quite orderly but work needs to be done at both ends of the village. One car parked on the road slowed the traffic down. The next session is due in mid October.

A huge vote of thanks was given to ND for all his work. It was agreed the Parish Clerk could share the information about Community Speedwatch being reviewed with other neighbouring villages.

*Action: The Parish Clerk to notify the neighbouring villages.*

**21/71. To receive an update on highway issues (TT)**

- a. Cutting of overgrown bushes in Hollow Road. To be carried forward to the next meeting.

Issues are reported to Highways but there is a general lack of money. Some footpaths are overgrown. Some have been reported and one at the back of Brookfield Rise to the Bridleway has been cleared.

**21/72. To discuss and receive an update on footpaths**

- a. Bridleway 12 (TT). The diversion needs to be amended due to the closeness of the current proposed route to the property by the dog leg section. Another part of the route is being amended.

*Action: The Parish Clerk to chase a response from the Estate.*

**21/73. To receive an update on the grant for the WW2 bench**

Cllr Kingsford has been successful in getting a grant of £1700.00.

**21/74. To discuss the Queens Platinum Jubilee**

Cllr Kingsford suggested a cast iron bench for the Jubilee which would be placed in the churchyard. Permission has been given by the PCC. The cost would be £2600.00 plus installation costs. The idea in principle was agreed.

**21/75. To agree a replacement noticeboard for Hollow Road and Swalcliffe Road**

Both notice-boards are old and require replacing.

*Action: The Parish Clerk and Cllr Fitzpatrick to get quotes for discussion at the next meeting.*

**21/76. To agree costs to re sand the village hall floor and replacement flooring (details circulated)**

The costs to re-sand the village hall floor and replacement flooring were both accepted.

**21/77. To discuss defibrillator responsibilities at Highlands**

To carry forward to the next meeting.

**21/78. To discuss electric charging feasibility options**

To carry forward to the next meeting.

**21/79. To agree the feasibility of a car park sign at the back of Brookfield Rise**

It was agreed this is not needed.

**21/80. Finance Report**

The following payments were approved under statutory powers:

£19.00 to Parish Clerk (SLCC Membership)

£237.60 to N Prickett (grass cutting July)

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**21/82. Planning applications**

The following applications had been received since the last meeting:

- 21/02085/F, To replace the glass roof on the conservatory with a solid tiled roof with insulation at

*Mayfield Cottage, Hollow Road. Granted by CDC.*

- *21/000877/F, One new dwelling, sub-division of the existing plot with access at land adj Bridgeside, Hollow Road. Objections by PC.*
- *21/02694/TCA, Tree work at the Old Red Lion, Main Road. No further comments or objections by CDC.*

**21/83. Correspondence**

The following correspondence had been received and circulated:-

- Womens Cycle Tour – 4<sup>th</sup> October 2021
- OCC, Preparing for Winter 2021/22
- OCC, Road closure in Hollow Road 14 – 17 September
- Platinum Jubilee Celebrations
- OCC, Road Closure North Newington Road, Shutford 6<sup>th</sup> October
- OALC, Oxfordshire 2050 Consultation
- OCC, Road Closure Upper Tadmarton, road to Swalcliffe Lea 8<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> November
- OCC, Civil Parking Enforcement coming to Cherwell. A note will be put in the Link.

**21/84. Councillors Reports**

Cllr Kingsford, as Path Warden has received communication that redundant footpaths are being opened up.

**21/85. Date and Time of next meeting**

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2021 at 7pm in the village hall

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 8.30pm.