

Tibberton Parish Council

Draft Minutes

Tuesday 14th September 2021 at 7.30 p.m. Taynton & Tibberton Village Hall

1. **Welcome from the Chairman.** CA, CB, TB, HK, GN, GN, CW – present
Apologises from Cllr Philip Robinson, Council wish him a speedy recovery.
2. **Minutes of the last meeting** held on 13th July 2021, draft copy published after last meeting and now signed as a true record. Published signed copy to the website.
 1. **Matters arising:** Cllr Nutting & Ackerman met with Cllr Robinson & GCC Highways – ditches now cleared and a flood barrier installed. No progress on the pond issues.
3. **Declarations of Interest:** None
4. **Parish Business**
 1. Correspondence from GCC, FoDDC, GAPTC, GRRC circulated by email to councillors since the last meeting.
 2. Current Statement of Accounts for 2020/2021 – circulated & acknowledged
 3. September Payment – Grass cutting contractor payment
5. **Planning**

Reports on planning comments – Councillor Nutting

 1. Phelps Way Garage conversion P0556/21/FUL – Comments submitted – Pending
 2. 1 Elm Drive P02134/21/FUL – No comments - Pending
 3. Wades End Lower Farm Barn conversion P0750/21/FUL – No comments - Pending
 4. Poplars Farm – Agricultural building P1492/21/FUL – No comments – deadline 28/9/2021
6. **Finance Committee feedback and recommendations for adoption –**
 1. Cllr Kingham provided an overview of the meeting and its objectives
 2. Asset register updated and approved by council
 3. Risk Register and Assessment was approved by council and will be used to monitor all risks, work and council projects
 4. 3 Year budget projection including Precept increase for 2022/23 approved by council
 5. 2021/2022 Donation & Grant requests notification was discussed and noted that the principles of the Donations and Grants policy should be followed. Repeated donations requests should be considered carefully.
7. **Items discussed:**
 - a. **Two Rivers community land** next to Telephone box license agreement options and topics for discussion and agreement (paper attached) – Cllr Bowman & Clerk
 1. Council agreed to take legal advice on progressing the agreement with Two Rivers Housing on the proposed Licence agreement and the long-term implications.
 2. Estimate of the costs for a modest re-landscape of the area and a new noticeboard were discussed. Further development and work on the project will await the legal consultations.
 3. Council agreed to canvas villagers on the future of community land and the Telephone box using a variety of methods including social media.

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b. Update on VAS sign

1. Communications with GCC on progress of the post installations are proving difficult following the agreement with GCC to proceed. Council still await installation date for the four VAS posts. Purchase of VAS, equipment and volunteer training will be coordinated to coincide.
2. Council ask GCC Cllr Philip Robinson to request a prompt response on date of installation of posts from GCC Highways.
3. Guidance for use notes have been created and are undergoing consultations.

c. Hedges through village – The clerk gave feedback on responses to the letter to landowners on road safety issues of overgrown hedges along Tibberton Lane

1. Summarised responses from three property owners: They were surprised they were contacted by letter. They were polite and said they do maintain their hedges usually in the August/September period. They were reassured; this was an attempt, using a polite letter, to raise the awareness of road safety issues along the lanes of Tibberton, following discussions at Parish Council meetings.
2. Council discussed and agreed to continue to raise road safety concerns of hedges encroaching into roads and footways through personal contact with property owners.
3. Clerk to request community workers to clear the excess straw deposited by passing farm vehicles as a prevention measure to avoid blockages in road drainage.

d. Bulbs and tree planting ‘in memory of’ on Orchard Rise bank – Council agreed to support the TDHS plan of planting of native daffodil bulbs in batches 60cm down from the hedge.

- e. **Nuisance caused by Garden Bonfires** – Following complaints by villagers, council agreed to inform and respond based on the circulated leaflet on Garden Bonfires by Environment Protection UK. In brief, there are no byelaws preventing garden bonfires but it is an offence to cause a nuisance from “smoke, fumes or gases prejudicial to health”. The recommendation, in the first instance, if bothered by smoke, “approach your neighbour and explain the problem”. Leaflet circulated and published link on the website.

8. Report from County Council – No report

9. **Report from District Council** – Cllr Brian Jones reported the FoDC has awarded the honorary title of Freewoman of the Forest of Dean to Charlotte Dujardin in recognition of her exceptional Olympic equestrian sporting achievements.

10. A.O.B – None

11. Date of next meeting:

Tuesday 9th November 2021 at Taynton & Tibberton Village Hall - Full council meeting to start at 7.30pm

Approved by:

Position:

Dated: