

# TREETON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 27<sup>th</sup> January 2020 at 7.00 p.m.

**Present:** Councillor: T.W. Adair (Chairman)  
Councillors: G. Cooper, D.A. Goy, Ms E Levin, J.F. Swift (from 7.30 p.m.) and D. Whysall.  
In attendance: C.J. Brown (Clerk) and B. Walsh.

## **2020/001 Apologies for Absence.**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors A.S. Badger and L.J. Pickford who was attending a new councillor's course.

## **2020/002 New Parish Councillor.**

The Chairman welcomed new Parish Councillor Eve Levin. The Declaration of Acceptance of Office and Register of Members Interests were both signed and other relevant documentation had been provided by the clerk.

## **2020/003 Public Question Time.**

There were no questions from the floor.

## **2020/004 Minutes of Meeting.**

Minutes of the meetings held on the 16<sup>th</sup> December 2019 were taken as read, copies having been circulated to all members of the council.

**Resolved:** That the minutes are approved.

Proposed: Councillor D.A. Goy.  
Seconded: Councillor D. Whysall.

## **2020/005 Matters Arising.**

- 2019/111 r) Since the last meeting further speed checks had been carried out but no-one was found to be exceeding the speed limit during these times.
- 2019/157 The farmer had been spoken to regarding the boulders to stop the 4 x 4 vehicles. Unfortunately, he was unable to assist this time as he had none available but would help if he could.
- 2019/164 The clerk had now provided councillors with a full list of grit bin locations in the village.

## **2020/006 Correspondence Received.**

- a) Northern Gas Networks - A copy of their December 2019 Update was received.
- b) S.Y.P.T.E. – Details of the service changes effective from 25<sup>th</sup>/26<sup>th</sup> January were received.
- c) Janice Curran RMBC – Details of the Severn Trent Community Fund were provided. This was for grants to Charities and Community Groups for the next five years.
- d) Janice Curran RMBC – Details of a Self-Harm Awareness course for parents and carers was received.
- e) Janice Curran RMBC – Further details of a Far-Right Extremism Workshop to be held on either 30<sup>th</sup> January or 2<sup>nd</sup> March were received.
- f) Keith Haynes – An email was received from the Treeton Memorial Community Centre and Playing Fields Charity advising of the developments that they were proposing at Washfield Lane and how it was proposed to fund these developments including an application to Waverley Community Council for a grant of £250,000.

- g) Peak & Northern Footpaths Society – An email was received from John Harker the Area Officer regarding the footpath at Flatts Farm. The email advised of the history of this footpath and also advised that they had put in an application to have a short section of this recognised as a legally recorded footpath as despite reports to the contrary this had not been done previously. There was also a request to place an article in the Parish Council Newsletter about this case.  
Resolved: That the article is allowed subject to it being approved by the Parish Council prior to publication.  
 Proposed: Councillor D.A. Goy.  
 Seconded: Councillor G, Cooper.
- h) Rotherham MBC Principle Education Officer – An email was received regarding the term dates for the 2021/2022 school year. Attached were the traditional term dates together with the proposed term dates. The consultation ran until the 24<sup>th</sup> February 2020.
- i) Rotherham MBC Licensing – Notification was received of public consultations that were taking place on Licensing and Gaming and also Taxi Licensing. These consultations were running until 27<sup>th</sup> February 2020.
- j) SYHA Area Manager – Notification was received from Kris Mackay of the next Great Ideas Meet Up which was scheduled for 30<sup>th</sup> January 2020.
- k) Parish Councillor Application – An email was received from Shaun McKie enquiring about the current vacancies for Parish Councillors.  
Resolved: That the Chairman, Councillor Goy and the clerk arrange a suitable meeting to discuss her application.

#### **2020/007 Borough Councillors Report.**

Borough Councillor Walsh advised a new Housing Champion was currently being recruited and this had been confirmed at a meeting between Councillor Goy and Bev Tunstall from another area who was covering Treeton part time until the appointment was confirmed. The last of the Area Housing Panel money had now been allocated before the change of funding came into operation. Included in these allocations were funding for a community skip, marking of parking bays on Pit Lane and Arundel Cottages and the provision of solar powered lights at the rear of the bungalows on Treetown Crescent. Councillor Walsh also confirmed that the Borough Council had now successfully prosecuted a fly-tipper and that there were more prosecutions in the pipeline. Councillor Goy raised the issue of the fly-tipping in the woods and asked when this would be removed. Councillor Walsh was to look into this. Councillor Goy also raised the issue of reported fly-tipping on Long Lane, but when Streetpride came out they only took the reported items and left others that were only feet away.

#### **2020/008 Allotments, Environment and Cemeteries.**

- 2020/008 a)** Councillor Goy requested a letter be sent to Streetpride with Borough Councillor Hoddinott copied in regarding the amount of fly-tipping left on Long Lane.
- 2020/008 b)** Councillor Cooper provided an update on the rat infestation in the Windle Court Area.

#### **2020/009 Youth Club.**

The Chairman advised that the club was still holding up regarding numbers and that SJD were now employing four apprentices to train through the Youth Club.

#### **2020/010 Community Centre.**

The Chairman reported that the Centre was booked up and progressing well. Plans were now in progress to possibly extend the building to cater for the additional demand on its resources.

### **2020/011 Chairman's Review.**

The Chairman reported that work had now started on site for the Jones development despite the protests from residents. Buses were still failing even though these were being reported to SYPT. Borough Councillor Walsh advised that as many as 71 buses were currently out of service awaiting repair. A major fault had been diagnosed in one of the types of bus used and until repaired these were currently off the road. The roads in the village were deteriorating as the weather had turned more seasonal, it was hoped that the improvement would resolve all the issues that there were. There was to be a litter pick that coming weekend.

### **2020/012 Planning Applications.**

Since the last meeting there had been no new applications had been submitted.

### **2020/013 Any Other Urgent Business.**

**2020/013 a)** Councillor Cooper advised he was Vice-Chairman of the Acute Care Forum at Swallownest and asked if the Parish Council would be prepared to support the promotion of the Herbert Protocol. The Council agreed to do this.

**2020/013 b)** The Chairman advised that on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February the Community Centre would be hosting a Crime Awareness presentation by the local PCSO's.

**2020/013 c)** The Chairman had also spoken to the local farmer regarding hosting a container for the sand for sandbags for future flooding events, the farmer was receptive to the idea.

### **2020/014 Finance and General Purposes Committee.**

**2020/014 a)** The clerk outlined the accounts to date, and produced a copy of the cashbook and an up to date financial statement of the council's affairs.

**2020/014 b)** The following accounts were approved for payment.

		£
Co-Operative Bank	Direct Debit	2.00
Staff Salaries	Bank Transfer	1,967.03
J. Hadrell Cleaning	Bank Transfer	60.00
SJD Sports Coaching	Bank Transfer	602.64
Dignity UK	Bank Transfer	246.00
Opus Energy	Direct Debit	119.02
Opus Energy	Direct Debit	49.25

Proposed: Councillor D.A. Goy.

Seconded: Councillor D. Whysall

**2020/014 c)** The clerk had produced his estimate for the Precept for the 2020/2021 Financial Year, taking into account the instructions given to him at the December 2019 meeting. The suggested Precept was £56,000, the same as the current year.

**Resolved:** That the Precept requested from Rotherham MBC for the 2020/2021 financial Year is £56,000.

Proposed: Councillor D.A. Goy.

Seconded: Councillor G. Cooper

**2020/015 Date of Next Meeting.**

The date of the next meeting was arranged for Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2020 at 7.00 p.m.

The meeting closed at 8.25 p.m.

**Chairman:**

**Date:**