

TREETON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 24th February 2020 at 7.00 p.m.

Present: Councillor: T.W. Adair (Chairman)
Councillors: G. Cooper, D.A. Goy, Ms E Levin, S. McKie, J.F. Swift
and D. Whysall.
In attendance: C.J. Brown (Clerk).

2020/016 Apologies for Absence.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors L.J. Pickford and Borough Councillor Walsh.

2020/017 New Parish Councillor.

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

2020/018 Public Question Time.

There were no questions from the floor.

2020/019 Minutes of Meeting.

Minutes of the meetings held on the 27th January 2020 were taken as read, copies having been circulated to all members of the council.

Resolved: That the minutes are approved.

Proposed: Councillor J.F. Swift.

Seconded: Councillor D.A. Goy.

2020/020 Matters Arising.

2019/157 Councillor Cooper advised that there may be suitable boulders available from Ulley Quarry. The Chairman advised that he had spoken with someone regarding the boulders at the top of Twentylands and hoped to hear back this week if they could be moved back. As regards those on Mill Lane, he had spoken with the Police regarding the riders of 4 x 4 bikes but obviously when they attended the culprits had disappeared.

2020/007 Councillor Goy reported that he had spoken with Bev Tunsell Dale and she was not now covering the area, this falls to whoever is available at the time. The Chairman had also discussed this at the recent Area Housing Panel and advised that the matter was now being taken care of by Rotherfed for the time being.

Councillor Goy had received a response regarding the fly-tipping in the woods. Initially being told that tipping was inaccessible with their machinery used to clear such occurrences', a manual team would be needed. The person who advised of this then became ill but through speaking with another Council officer the tipping has now been removed.

2020/021 Correspondence Received.

- a) Northern Gas Networks - A copy of their January 2020 Update was received.
- b) S.Y.P.T.E. – Details of the Young People Have a Say on Public Transport scheme as part of their Youth Transport Charter.

- c) S.Y.P.T.E. – Notification was received that the Meadowhall Interchange toilets were being refurbished between 24th February and 24th April.
- d) Mayor’s Parlour – A request was received from the Lord Mayor of Rotherham’s Parlour for either a donation of eggs of funds towards the Annual Extravaganza.
Resolved: A grant of £50 is made.
Proposed: Councillor D.A. Goy.
Seconded: Councillor G. Cooper.
- e) Janice Curran RMBC – Libraries Consultation. The Borough Council, committed to keeping its current 15 libraries and a consultation on how improvements could be made was now available.
- f) Janice Curran RMBC – Parish Council Elections 2020. Advice that nomination packs would be available from early March was received. Two candidate/Parish Clerk briefings were to be held on the 5th and 10th March.
- g) Janice Curran RMBC – Enquiry as to whether the Parish Council had an Operation London Bridge Policy in place as had the Borough Council. Treeton did not have one and the clerk was asked to look into what policies had been adopted by other councils.
- h) Claire France South Yorkshire Police – Notification was received about their Get Lifewise events that they were holding for the over 60’s.
- i) Keep Britain Tidy – Notification was received that their latest Great British Spring Clean had been launched asking for support.
- j) Kris Mackay – reminder that his next Community Conversation event was being held the following evening.

2020/022 Allotments, Environment and Cemeteries.

- 2020/022 a)** Councillor Cooper provided a further update on the rat infestation in the Windle Court Area.
- 2020/022 b)** Councillor Goy advised he had been in contact with Biffa Waste regarding the burnt-out car on the site at Catcliffe. After being given the run around by various people he was now awaiting a return call from someone who knew the area.
- 2020/022 c)** Councillor Whysall raised the issue of the purchase of land from the farmer for an extension to the Burial Ground on Wood Lane. No formal response had been received from the last enquiry.
Resolved: The clerk contacts the farmer again to see if he was agreeable to a sale in principle.

2020/023 Recreation Ground and Play Areas.

- 2020/023 a)** Councillor Goy advised that a local resident had been riding their horses on the Well Lane playing area. He had reported this to Rotherham MBC. The ‘No Horse Riding’ signs had been removed but a resident advised that there were notices on the lamp posts.
- 2020/023 b)** Councillor Whysall expressed his concerns over the Cricket Club application for a grant from the Waverley Community Council. The Chairman outlined recent events and that this was a joint venture between the Cricket and Football sections, application for funds to Sport England would need match funding of £250,000, but no grant would be forthcoming from Waverley. Councillor Whysall wanting it noting that the Parish Council had no involvement or interest in this proposal.

2020/024 Youth Club.

The Chairman advised that the club was still holding number of between 35 and 40 on a regular basis.

2020/025 Community Centre.

The Chairman reported that the Centre continued to be booked up and progressing well. Plans were still being looked at with the possibility to extend the building to cater for the additional demand on its resources. Tentative agreement with Jones Homes on such expansion plans had been received by the Clerk but they would need to see the plans to give their final approval before a planning application was submitted.

2020/026 Chairman's Review.

The Chairman reported that Streetpride had been out recently to patch some of the roads in the village, but these repairs had then been washed out by the rain that had occurred recently. The wooden steps at the bottom of Mill Lane were not a Public Right of Way so no maintenance would be carried out on them by Rotherham MBC. A resident had recently made a request for Speeding Signs to be placed on High Hazels Road and he was to contact the Highways department to see if this was possible.

2020/027 Planning Applications.

Since the last meeting the following new applications had been submitted:

RB2020/0205	Part demolition of existing outbuilding and erection of single storey rear extension at 48 Treetown Crescent for Mr. Clayton.
RB2020/0053	Single storey rear extension at 3 Falcon Drive for MR. R. Suckley.

Resolved: The Parish Council had no objections to these applications.

2020/028 Any Other Urgent Business.

2020/028 a) Councillor Goy raised the issue of the toilet refurbishment. The Chairman was meeting with a possible contractor the following week regarding a quotation and would possibly seek further ones depending upon the initial costings.

2020/028 b) Councillor Goy expressed his concerns over the length of time Ulley Park had been out of action. He understood this was due to the cost of the repairs, which had been placed before the Chief Executive before Christmas but nothing had been heard of since.

Resolved: The clerk was asked to contact Sarah Allen at Rotherham MBC for an update.

2020/029 Finance and General Purposes Committee.

2020/029 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.

2020/029 b) The following accounts were approved for payment.

		£
Information Commissioner	Direct Debit	35.00
Co-Operative Bank	Direct Debit	2.00
Staff Salaries	Bank Transfer	1,967.23
Petty Cash	Bank Transfer	23.09
J. Hadrell Cleaning	Bank Transfer	45.00
SJD Sports Coaching	Bank Transfer	803.52
Dignity UK	Bank Transfer	246.00
C & H Alarms	Bank Transfer	96.00
Iris Business Software	Bank Transfer	294.00

Magna Plant & Tool Hire	Bank Transfer	23.28
Opus Energy	Direct Debit	118.98
Opus Energy	Direct Debit	45.08

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

2020/030 Date of Next Meeting.

The date of the next meeting was arranged for Monday 23rd March 2020 at 7.00 p.m.

The meeting closed at 8.15 p.m.

Chairman:

Date: