

TODWICK PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the council meeting held in Todwick Village Hall at 7.00 p.m. on Tuesday the 29th of March 2022.

Present

Councillor Dixon – Chairman
Councillor Jeffrey
Councillor Newbold
Councillor O’Sullivan – From 7.35 p.m.
Councillor Wright
J R Walker – Clerk & Financial Officer

21/197 APOLOGIES

An apology for absence was received from Councillors Carter, Davis and Morley and their reason for absence approved.

21/198 DECLARATION OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY AND OTHER INTERESTS

- (a) No disclosures were made by members of any disclosable pecuniary interests for the purposes of Section 31 of the Localism Act 2011 or any other relevant interests under the Members’ Code of Conduct.
- (b) No requests were received for dispensations to councillors to take part in discussions and votes where they have declared disclosable pecuniary interests

21/199 ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED IN THE ABSENCE OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

No items were raised.

21/200 PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

Resolved:

That the minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 22nd February 2022 be confirmed as an accurate record and signed by the Chairman.

21/201 REPORT BY THE CLERK AND FINANCIAL OFFICER

The Clerk and Financial Officer reported:

- The Financial Ombudsman had replied to the complaint concerning cheque number 101647 and proposed no action against Barclays Bank.
- Cheque 101741 to Todwick Village Hall had been cancelled and a new cheque issued.
- Receipt of the new rates of pay applicable for Clerks from the 1 April 2021 agreed by the National Joint Council for Local Government. This had been forwarded to Members together with additional information in advance of the meeting.
- He would be submitting the claim for reimbursement of VAT at the end of March.
- He would be preparing the necessary documents and submitting to the Internal Auditor after the end of the month.

Resolved:

That the Clerk & Financial Officer’s salary be increased to £13,731.12 backdated to the 1 April 2021.

<u>Monies received</u>	£
1. Allotment Holders – Allotment Rents	650.00
2. Barclays Bank – Interest	1.13
3. E-on – FiT Payment	86.04

<u>Payments made since last meeting</u>	
1. Todwick Village Hall – Meeting Rents	43.50
2. Todwick Village Hall – Meeting Rents	18.00
3. Rotherham MBC – Play Area Inspections	177.84
4. Haywards Horticulture – Works at Play Areas	498.00
5. Susan Wright – Cleaning, Security etc	250.00
6. RMBC– Grounds Maintenance	3673.72
7. HMRC – March Tax/NI	352.92
8. Yorkshire Local Councils Associations – Membership Renewal	461.00

<u>Bills to be paid</u>	
1. J R Walker – March Salary, Back Monies and Expenses	1185.28
2. Robert Needham – Works at Sorts Pavilions	95.00

<u>Un-presented cheques</u>	
1. RMBC – Grounds Maintenance	3673.72
2. Yorkshire Local Councils Associations	461.00

Present bank statement balances

Business Saver Account (Cheque Feeder)	£29,929.61	Community Account (Cheque)	£1.00
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Total balance after all payments to date £24,515.61

21/202 COMMITTEES AND ORGANISATION REPORTS

- (a) Councillor Dixon reported on the receipt of the latest play areas inspection report, progress to date and future works. He and the Clerk had submitted some documentation required in connection with the successful grant application and Councillor Morley would be moving forward with the tendering process.
- (b) Councillor Dixon reported on the proposed installation of CCTV at the recreation ground. The contractor had been experiencing some difficulty in arranging the necessary trenching work but this was being resolved and site works were expected to commence shortly.
- (c) Councillor Dixon reported that the storage containers had now been sited at the recreation ground as arranged. Anti-vandal measures and interior electrical work would be completed soon. The Clerk was arranging delivery of sandbags from RMBC.

21/203 GOVERNANCE MATTERS

- (a) No report was received on the review of Standing Orders but it was hoped this would be available for the April meeting.
- (b) No report was received on on Procurement Policy but it was hoped this would be available for the April meeting.
- (c) No report was received on on Data Protection Policy but it was hoped this would be available for the April meeting.

21/204 PLANNING MATTERS(a) RB 2022/0224

Render to all external walls at 7 St Paul Close.

Resolved:

Not to object to the application.

(b) RB 2022/0336

Application to undertake works to a tree(s) protected by TPO No.3 1971 at 4 Kiveton Lane.

Resolved:

Not to object to the application.

(c) RB2022/0414

Application for Lawful Development Certificate re proposed two storey rear extension at The Acorns, Todwick Grange.

Resolved:

Not to object to the application.

(d) RB2022/0425

Demolition of garage and erection of single storey rear extension and alterations to front elevation at 4 Furnival Road.

Resolved:

Not to object to the application.

(e) RB2022/0427

Single storey front extension at 7 Church View.

Resolved:

Not to object to the application.

(f) RB2022/0450

Two storey side and single storey front extension at 46 The Meadows

Resolved:

Not to object to the application.

21/205 EVENTS

Councillor Dixon reported that Councillors Carter and Morley were liaising on arrangements for the Queen's Jubilee Celebrations.

21/206 VILLAGE MAINTENANCE

Councillor Dixon reported that Councillor Morley had prepared a condition report following her inspection of the village benches and this had been forwarded to RMBC with a request for maintenance of those for which it was responsible.

RMBC had informed the Council of its intention of having a "Blitz Day" in the village on the day of the meeting but little if anything appeared to have been carried out.

21/207 HIGHWAY MATTERS

Councillor Dixon reported that because of his recent illness due to Covid-19 he had had to cancel the meeting with Alexander Stafford MP and residents of the Todwick Grange Estate about the A57 problems but he was hoping to be able to hold this shortly.

21/208 NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

No report had been received.

21/209 WEB SITE

There was no report to consider.

21/210 PARISH PLAN

There was no report to consider.

21/211 EMERGENCY PLAN

Councillor Dixon reported that he had now received emergency planning contact information from RMBC to incorporate into the plan now being revised.

21/212 COUNCIL VACANCY

No applications had been received.

21/213 DISCUSSION OF ANY ITEM(S) FOR WHICH THE PRESS AND PUBLIC HAVE BEEN EXCLUDED

There were no items from which the press and public had been excluded

21/214 PARISH MATTERS

- (a) No report of problems in the parish was received.
- (b) No report was received on the planting of trees in the village but Councillor Dixon would include an article on this in the next edition of “The Informer” newsletter.
- (c) Councillor Dixon reported on enquiries he had made following the closure of the village shop including the possibility of the Parish Council establishing a Community Shop. This had been done in many rural communities up and down the country. Significant community involvement would be required and a working group would be needed to proceed with the project. He would contact the Post Office to establish if a Community Post Office was possible.

Resolved:

That Councillor Dixon prepare a report for consideration at the April meeting.

- (d) Councillor Dixon reported that he had arranged to meet with representatives of the Church to discuss the installation of a defibrillator at the Church Hall.

21/215 ITEMS FOR THE AGENDA OF THE NEXT MEETING

No items were raised.

21/216 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Resolved: That the next meeting of the parish council be held on Tuesday 26th April 2022 at 7.00 p.m. in Todwick Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.55 p.m.

..... Chairman

..... Date