**TUNSTALL PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 3rd May 2017 commencing at 7.15pm in the Village Hall**

1. **Declarations of interest**

None

1. **Police report**

See attached

1. **County Councillor / District Councillor Report**

Cllr Linehan apologised for being late – he didn’t have much to report other than it was yet to be decided whether the Area Partnership fund was to be retained.

Cllr Les commented on it being the NYCC elections the next day. Brough Bridge is complete except for coping stones. There is extra signage at both ends of the bridge stating ‘narrow bridge’. There are also concrete pillars either side of the bridge, as it is a listed structure the concrete will be encased in stone.

Work at White Shops is progressing – Utilities have finished.

There have been delays to works ion the A1 and worst case scenario it will open at the end of this year.

1. **Minutes of last meeting**

The minutes of the Meeting held on 8th March 2017 were proposed and confirmed as a true record.

1. **Matters arising**
2. Cllr Richardson mentioned on-going discussions regarding the future of Holy Trinity, a public meeting was held recently which the clerk, Cllr Gadie and himself had attended.He explained that the attendance is very low with an average of 7 the possibility of the times of the service were explored in a recent Church meeting also the fact that less people in general are interested in going to a church service. The cost of keeping the church running is around £7500, and it needs a lot of repairs/renewals. There is a Parish electoral role which is made up of regular church goers and helpers and he encouraged anybody that want on the register to look into signing up. He went on to say that it would be a pity for the village to lose the church. Cllr Gadie added that it has to be somewhere that people want to go and have things on to attract more people.
3. **Current Issues**
4. DEFIB WIRING- Cllr Parry brought up the subject of the Defib – currently it is wired incorrectly, whilst investigating what was thought to be a fault with the green light on the front of the cabinet it turns out that the machine is simply plugged into a socket in the hall and this keeps getting switched off which in turn means the plate inside the machine doesn’t work. It was suggested that a price be obtained for the cabinet to be connected properly
5. WEBSITE FUNDING - The clerk had attended a seminar regarding the Transparency Code which all parish councils must adhere to and was informed that there is funding available to enable the PC to set up a website so that all documents can be downloaded on to this and made easily accessible. The Clerk asked for permission to apply for the grant – Cllrs agreed to this

**Resolved:** Cllr Parry to get quotes for wiring

Clerk to apply for funding for website

1. **Correspondence**

30th March – Email Cllr Les re start of work on Brough Hall Bridge

Undated Letter from Rotary Club re Best Kept Village Competition

10th April - Letter from Newton’s Solicitors re RDC and play park

Weekly A12LB cascade

1. **Financial matters**

**Record of payments made under out of meeting arrangements**

**Date Cheque No Payee Amount**

20.03.17 000376 RDC – Park Maintenance £242.15

20.03.17 000377 Newton’s – Parks transfer £120.00

20.03.17 000378 Zurich Parish Insurance £164.45

03.04.17 000379 Photocopying – TIGER £36.00

13.04.17 000380 TIGER works £1962.00

**Summary of Accounts**

**Deposit Account Current Account**

Balance as of 1st Feb 2017 Balance as of 28th April 2017

£1004.25 £4630.15

**Accounts for payment**

The following cheques were presented for payment:

**Date Cheque No Payee & Description Amount**

03.05.17 000381 Clerks wages March – May 17 £231.22

The Clerk queried whether she could look to into getting (limited) online access for the current account so she could view balances rather than wait for a statement to come through which can be quite often more than 6 weeks at a time. Cllrs agreed to this.

Cllr Richardson also presigned some cheques in anticipation for invoices due in whilst he underwent surgery.

1. **Planning Applications**

**17/00255/FULL** Full Planning Permission for Extension to Existing Bungalow, 4 The Garth Tunstall Richmond North Yorkshire DL10 7RU – Mr and Mrs Brown raised concerns about the size of this extension and how it may impact them and their property next door. Cllrs took these comments on board and agreed with the concerns.

**Resolved:** Clerk to write to RDC

**Village Hall**

Martin brought up the subject of Village Hall insurance – the brokers Norris & Fisher said that the buildings insurance might be underinsured and they had a specialist firm making "desktop valuations" of village halls including the rebuilding cost. The figures they came up with were;

Main Hall       £274,301.00

Garden Outbuildings         £2,291.00

Hard Landscaping         £46,839.00

Landlords Fixtures and Fittings      £27,000.00

Debris Removal    £8,229.00

Professional Fees concerned with rebuilding   £42,000.00

Total Rebuilding cost insured £400,660.00 rounded down to £400,000.00

It was agreed that this valuation was too much, particularly the Hard Landscaping and Professional Fees figures, which were reduced to £10,000.00 and £20,000 respectively making the **Total Rebuilding Cost £341,821.00**. All other valuations appeared reasonable

NB: these figures would only become relevant if the hall was completely destroyed.

Overall this has involved an increase in annual premium of £45.99.

1. **Minor Matters**

It was reported that a tree has fallen on the bridleway towards the solar farm which is blocking access for users.

**Resolved**: Clerk to contact Area 1

1. **To confirm the date of the next meeting** :

Wednesday 5th July at 7pm

The meeting closed at 8.10pm

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