**TUNSTALL PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 17th January 2018 commencing at 7.00pm in the Village Hall**

**Present:**

**Parish Council:** Cllr Martin Richardson Chair

Cllr Chris Wilson

Cllr Tony Gadie

Cllr Dave Parry

Rachel Walker Clerk

**In attendance**: Cllr Carl Les (NYCC), Cllr Geoffrey Linehan (RDC)

**Tunstall Residents**

Paul and Jane Greenwood, Doreen Eskholme

1. **Apologies**

PCSO Di Smith

Cllr Sheila Clapham

Cllr Richardson opened the meeting by paying tribute to Judy Duffy who had sadly passed away over the Christmas period. He remarked that she had served on the Parish Council, some of it as Chair for over 8 years – she had done a great job during this time and was well liked.

1. **Declarations of interest**

None

1. **Matters raised by residents**
2. Paul Greenwood queried that now the roads have nearly been completed could a traffic survey be done. He said that whilst there has been a slight reduction in vehicles, speeding between 7-8am was still a problem.

It was discussed that the police should be contacted to see if they would consider using a speed gun in the village but during the times mentioned above. It was felt that matrix signs were not effective and also very expensive. It was agreed an up to date survey is needed for new traffic data.

1. Paul Greenwood enquired whether there was any funding available as we are on the outskirts of the Tour de Yorkshire route.

**Resolved:** Clerk to contact police to enquire about deployment of speed camera/gun

Cllr Linehan to look into grants available for Tour de Yorkshire

Cllr Les will look into possibility of new traffic survey

1. **Police report**

There were NO crimes reported during the period of 08/11/17 – 14/01/01. There were 5 incidents reported.

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

Cllr Les reported that he is on the steering group for the Garrison Expansion. At present there is no further information to report, they are awaiting more detail from MOD and planning applications.

There is the possibility of a relief road to help ease the pressure on the A6136.

He also confirmed that he will speak to Highways regarding a traffic count and see if that can take place. The remainder of the A1 should be completed in about 3 months. There had been concern that due to the collapse of Carillion this may delay things however this will not be the case.

Cllr Linehan told how the boundary review consultation has now finished and the results are due in April.

He also reported that RDC have approved a 10 year capital plan. This will ensure that public and statutory services will be maintained.

Council tax discussions are due to take place. RDC can increase it up to 2.99%.

Cllr Linehan also told how the Tour de Yorkshire is passing through the area including Richmond, Catterick camp, Leyburn, Middleham, Coverdale, East Witton and Masham. There will be rolling road closures.

1. **Minutes of last meeting**

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

1. **Matters arising**
2. In the previous meeting the clerk had been asked to look into who was responsible for cleaning out the gullies on the edge of the road – she confirmed it was NYCC
3. The Clerk reported that Cllrs Gadie, Richardson and herself had attended the recent GAP meeting held at Risedale School. The next one is it be hosted at Tunstall VH in March.
4. **Current Issues**
5. Update on meeting with Garrison Commander – The Clerk, Cllrs Wilson and Gadie attended a meeting on December 13th re the proposed Garrison Development. There was no further information to report compared to the meeting held on 8th October.
6. Update on Key liaison group meeting – Cllr Wilson attended the meeting just before Christmas and was reassured that the delay was caused by the embankment and work was on target again. There was also concern that as Carillion had ceased operation that this would impact the works however Morgan Sindall should pick up the remainder as it was a joint venture.
7. Grass Cutting 2018/19 – The Clerk had received a quote from the current contractor which showed an increase of £3 per cut and estimated 14 cuts. Cllrs agreed that the work by contractors was of good quality and the rate they charge very reasonable.

**Resolved**: Cllr Gadie **proposed t**o accept this quotation and Cllr Richardson **seconded**.

1. **Correspondence**

Weekly A12LB traffic cascade

21.11.17 - Email NYCC re street lighting improvement

21.11.17 – Email from resident re boundary review

1. Precept arrangements 2018/19

The clerk had prepared a budget proposal and circulated prior to the meeting, It was suggested that the precept remain the same as last year £4700

**Resolved:** Cllr Richardson **proposed** this budget and Cllr Wilson **seconded.**

1. **Financial matters**

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

**Date Cheque No Payee Amount**

26.11.17 4 NYCC – Grit bin refill £180.00

27.11.17 5 Grow IT – beck clearance £350.00

06.12.17 6 Repair to Tunstall sign £200.00

**Summary of Accounts**

**Deposit Account Current Account**

Balance as of 1st Feb 2017 Balance as of 13th January 2018

£1004.65 £6580.88

**Accounts for payment**

The following cheques were presented for payment:

**Date Cheque No Payee & Description Amount**

06.12.17 7 Clerks wages Nov 17 – Jan 18 £271.04

(this remained unsigned as there weren’t enough signatories present)

1. **Planning Applications**

None

1. **Minor Matters**

The clerk had received an email from someone who was keen to book the village hall for a wedding and was enquiring whether she could use a prosecco van in the gardens alongside a bar from the pub. This was discussed and felt that it shouldn’t be an issue.

The clerk put forward that it might be time to look into getting broadband for the village hall as quite lot of potential hirers look for this.

Resolved: Clerk to confirm that prosecco van will be ok

Clerk to look into broadband options

1. **Village Hall**
2. Update on bank account (when branch closes) – Martin explained that the Richmond branch of NatWest is due to close in June and it is not easy to get online access. The post office can be used to pay in cheques however he will look into online banking.
3. Paul G thanked those that were voting for TIGER at Tesco. He also reported that the Garden bird watch was taking place on 27th January 2018,10am -11am.
4. **To confirm the date of the next meeting** :

Wednesday 14th March 2018

The meeting closed at 8.35pm

Signed\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Chairman Date\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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