

Minutes of the MEETING of TIBSHELF PARISH COUNCIL
held in The Parish Meeting Room, Tibshelf Village Hall, 110 High Street, Tibshelf. DE55 5NU on
Tuesday 18th February 2020 at 7.00pm

Present:

Councillors A Beckett, P Billington, M Coupe, G Foley, R Heffer, K Salt MBE, R Vaughan, D S Watson, C Whitehead and S Wood

In attendance:

Parish Clerk, plus nine members of the public.

NON-EXEMPT ITEMS

0220/2265 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor I Brentnall.

0220/2266 Declarations of Members Interests

Cllr R. Vaughan declared an interest in Item 2275 regarding the application for funding received from Tibshelf Parish Band. Cllr Vaughan remained in the meeting for the duration of the discussion.

0220/2267 Public Speaking

Members of the Public:

Members of the public spoke to oppose the closure of Holmlea Residential Home. It was reported that there were petitions circulating to oppose the closure. The public requested the support of the Town Council to oppose the closure. A meeting was scheduled for 24th February 2020, and Cllr R. Vaughan would be attending as representative of the Council.

One person addressed Council on behalf of Tibshelf Football Club. 7 teams used the Recreation Ground, but unfortunately part of the surface is not playable. He enquired if there is any opportunity for the Council to improve drainage and make the surface level and playable.

Members responded that there may be opportunity to use S106 funds held by the District Council. Members were mindful that there should be consideration for other teams displaced from the Town playing field. It was also pointed out that the concrete foundations of the former race track were still in situ, however the divots and rutting could be rectified. It was suggested that a representative of Bolsover District Council could be invited to a future meeting of the Council on regarding sports provision.

Discussion followed on topics contained in the newsletter; signage regarding Public Space Protection and restriction of dog walking activity; the new Youth Club (operating independently, with relevant volunteers all DBS and First Aid Trained) that would be commencing in March 2020.

0220/2268 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 21st January 2020

It was proposed by Cllr M. Coupe and seconded by Cllr R. Vaughan and RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Meeting of Tibshelf Parish Council held on 21st January 2020 be approved as an accurate record. The minutes were duly signed by the Chairman.

0220/2269 Chair's Announcements

There were no Chairman's announcements.

0220/2270 To consider the response regarding potential closure of Holmlea Home for the elderly

AGREED to bring this item forward on the agenda.

Proposed by Cllr R. Heffer and seconded by Cllr D. Watson

It was suggested that the Council write a strongly worded letter, opposing the closure of Holmlea and the other homes within Derbyshire (6 further proposed for closure). The County Council should ensure they have covered all aspects, including alternatives.

Proposed by Cllr. K. Salt, seconded by Cllr R. Heffer, ALL in favour, Clerk to action.

0220/2271 Update from the Communications and Projects Officer

Mark Scarborough updated the meeting with the proposed funding application for Village Hall improvements. Discussions followed regarding the siting of a potential storage container, which would require planning permission if “joined on” to the existing building, but not if it were sited as “stand alone”. The access of the storage into the main hall would then be through the proposed revised office layout, which would not be satisfactory for the officers working there. In addition, any movement of the office would require revising electric and computer points within the existing office.

RESOLVED As there appeared to be a number of factors needing further consideration, it would be beneficial for Members to view the building and make further suggestions and revise the options.

0220/2272 Street naming of land at Staffa Drive

The Clerk had received a suggestion for the new development of Hills Mede.

RESOLVED There were no objections to this proposal.

Proposed by Cllr R. Heffer, seconded by Cllr M. Coupe, ALL in favour.

0220/2273 It was RESOLVED that the following Village Hall Financial Report be approved:

FEBRUARY 2020

Payments:

World Pay £11.29

Funds as at 31st January 2020

Current Account £23,165.31

Reserve Account £7,752.71

(Proposed by Cllr R. Heffer, seconded by Cllr R. Vaughan, ALL in favour).

0220/2274 Neighbourhood Planning

Councillor Coupe informed the meeting that the application for funding on behalf of the Parish Council had been pending, subject to confirmation of the Council’s bank facility. The latest meeting of the steering group was held on 11th February, with the latest draft being approved for an “informal” consultation with the District Council. A further meeting of the steering group would be held in the near future, prior to the final issue.

The update was NOTED.

0220/2275 Applications for Funding Support

Grant funding applications had been received from the following :

Tibshelf Band : £800 to fund stand covers for the music stands, in addition instruments for those members of the band less able to fund purchase themselves.

RESOLVED to allocate the sum of £800.

Proposed by Cllr R. Heffer, seconded by Cllr M. Coupe, ALL in favour.

(Cllr R. Vaughan declared a personal interest in this item as he is a member of the Tibshelf Band. He took no part in the vote).

Tibshelf Youth Club :

Requested free hire of the Village Hall for the first 6 months in order for the Club to get established, in the sum of £567.00.

RESOLVED to allocate the sum of £567.00

Proposed by Cllr A. Beckett, seconded by Cllr C. Whitehead, ALL in favour.

(It was noted that in the purposes of bookkeeping, no money would be passed to the Youth Club, there would be an internal office transfer between the bank accounts)

0220/2276 Planning

20/00059/ADV : Erection of a Digital advertising unit located near to the entrance of the amenities building Roadchef Tibshelf Services M1 Southbound Newtonwood Lane Tibshelf

No objection

Proposed by Cllr M. Coupe, seconded by Cllr R. Heffer. ALL in favour

0220/2277 Derbyshire Association of Local Councils

The Meeting was informed of the latest circular (January 2020) covering the following topics :

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Climate Emergency Derbyshire – book your workshop place now!• Be heard in Parliament Lobby Day• Opportunity to join DALC’s Executive Committee and shape our future• Help save our ‘lost’ footpaths...• New funds available for village halls• Have Your Say – on Derbyshire Fire & Rescue• National Living Wage goes up• Clerk Salary Award goes...?• Help protect the principle of ‘affordable homes’• Councillor Essentials training dates announced• And finally, DALC’s Spring Seminar line-up revealed...

0220/2278 Parish Clerk’s Report

One query was raised, on the sum payable to Hucknall and Linby Brass Band (£700) for the Carol Service in December. The Clerk would examine the invoice and report back.

(N.B. it was subsequently found that the Invoice contained two sums, for £350 each in respect of Remembrance in November 2019 and Christmas 2019).

It was RESOLVED that the accounts for payment shown at Appendix A attached to bottom of the Agenda be approved.

Proposed by Cllr R. Heffer, seconded by Cllr A. Beckett, ALL in favour

(b) Financial Report – deferred as no details had been provided with the Agenda.

0220/2279 Items of Information

Members noted the resident’s letter requesting Council support to prevent the closure of Holmlea Home for the elderly. It was agreed to acknowledge the letter and issue notice to also contact Derbyshire County Council.

0220/2263 Exclusion of Public

It was Proposed, Seconded and Resolved that the public be excluded from the meeting at this point due to the confidential nature of the business to be discussed.

(Proposed by Cllr A. Beckett, seconded by Cllr K. Salt, ALL in favour)

0220/2264 Staffing Matters :

Items relating to the staff were discussed.

The meeting closed at 8:45 p.m.

Chairman.....

Date.....