

**Minutes of the MEETING of TIBSHELF PARISH COUNCIL
held in the Village Hall, Tibshelf and remotely via Zoom,
on Tuesday 20th October 2020 at 7.00pm**

Present:

Councillors A Beckett, P Billington, I Brentnall, M Coupe, G Foley, R Heffer (Zoom), K Salt MBE, R Vaughan, D S Watson, S Wood.

In attendance:

Parish Clerk, Projects and Communications Officer.
3 members of the public (3 in attendance, 0 via Zoom).

NON-EXEMPT ITEMS

1020/2365 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr I. Brentnall and Cllr C. Whitehead.
RESOLVED to approve the apologies received.
Proposed by Cllr. A. Beckett, seconded by Cllr K. Salt, ALL in favour.

1020/2366 Declarations of Members Interests

None received.

1020/2367 Public Speaking

Tibshelf Residents Action Group – Parking issues on the road near the senior school, parking unwisely with regards to the children at closing time. The school have been “signposting” use of the Cemetery car park.

RESOLVED that the Council supports the work of the Group and would write to the school requesting that they refrain from using and signposting the cemetery as a pick-up point for parents.

A member of the public – referred to a perceived lack of support for the Neighbourhood Plan, little communication to the village. It was further suggested that the recent Parish Action Plan in the Parish Council Newsletter had cause confusion with the Neighbourhood Plan. He urged the Parish Council to support the Neighbourhood Plan.

Cllr Coupe added that the notes from the Plan meetings were always submitted to the Council for consideration.

County Council

Cllr. C. Moesby advised the meeting that he was aware of the school traffic problems around Doe Hill Lane and that any traffic restrictions would take a minimum of 9 months to implemented. The Police are now involved and any restrictions would require police enforcement. A suggestion of parking on the school field would be down to the school. There could be an approach made to the Highways Department, however he was mindful this may only push the problem elsewhere. Parking at West View was also a problem.

He also highlighted the food bank that was serving those in need.

Cllr Moesby informed the meeting of Vision Derbyshire – a potential move towards a reorganisation of the County Council becoming a Unitary Council.

District Council

Cllr. D. Watson reported Bolsover District currently remains in Covid risk level medium, whereas most of the Districts around had moved to high risk. The evidence was however

showing a rise in levels meaning we are very close to moving up to a higher risk tier. This shows the importance of observing the current guidelines.

Cllr. D. Watson acknowledged the vital role the Environmental Health Service team has played throughout the pandemic, providing advice on infection control and advice to business on trading in a Covid secure way, and using its powers to enforce regulations and restrictions.

Cllr. D. Watson reported on new initiatives from the Economic Development Team at Bolsover, including Shop Local, Spend Local, the work in partnership with DCC on an APP which could help those businesses without an online presence and the appointment of Covid Information Officers.

Members were informed the flats on Tibshelf High Street fall well below the standard expected and had become extremely difficult to let. The site has been troubled with continual anti-social behaviour, which has adversely impacted the local community, the District Council are currently working through a full stock review of housing. As part of this process there are a number of sites which hold sub-standard properties, including sites at Blackwell, Shirebrook, Tibshelf, and Whitwell, the intention is to replace poor quality housing stock with modern, high quality, high specification properties for people who choose to live in social housing within the district. The Tibshelf site is strategically important as it lies in the heart of the village. Bolsover District Council believes it is imperative, and will ensure, that any future use of the site both benefits and complements the wider strategic ambitions of the District Council, the County Council, and the Parish Council as identified in its emerging Neighbourhood Plan.

A new recyclable waste sorting facility has been secured at Corbriggs.

The new Public Space Protection Order for dogs has now been signed and enforcement work will commence once all the appropriate signage has been installed.

Cllr. K. Salt raised question with regards to the District Council budget.

Cllr. C. Moesby in his role as Executive Member - portfolio holder for Finance gave a full report of the current budget status for Bolsover District Council.

1020/2368 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 15th September 2020

It was proposed, seconded and RESOLVED that, the Minutes of the Meeting of Tibshelf Parish Council held on 15th September 2020 be approved as an accurate record.

(notwithstanding the above, Cllr. R. Heffer stated that the Minutes did not truly reflect some aspect of conversation that took place within that meeting, and voted against approval).

8 Members voted in favour.

1020/2369 Chair's Announcements

None

1020/2370 The Neighbourhood Plan

The notes of the Neighbourhood Plan meeting held on 5th October 2020 were accepted.

Cllr. A. Beckett recommended that the Neighbourhood Plan was paused for six months, in order to allow the Parish Council to gathered information from the County and District Council regarding the High Street regeneration plans and the proposed new primary school.

Cllr. M. Coupe showed his disapproval on the recommendation by claiming that Cllr. A. Beckett had made this suggestion due to the fact she was not selected has the Chair of the Steering Group, a claim which was refuted by Cllr A. Beckett. A member of public remarked on their disapproval of the recommendation and left the meeting. Cllr M. Coupe continued to show his disapproval by making inappropriate comments and noises towards some Councillors. Cllr. A. Beckett as the Chair informed Cllr. M. Coupe his behaviour was unacceptable and he would be asked to leave the meeting, if he persisted.

RESOLVED That the Neighbourhood Plan be paused for six months.

Proposed by Cllr A Beckett, seconded by Cllr. P. Billington.

A recorded vote was requested. 4 voted in favour, (Cllrs. A Beckett, P Billington, G Foley and R Vaughan) 3 voted against, (Cllrs M Coupe, R Heffer, D Watson) 2 members abstained (Cllrs K Salt and S Wood).

1020/2371 Tibshelf Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group Facebook page

Cllr. A. Beckett raised concerns about the recent posts on the Council's Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group Facebook page and recommended that the page should be managed by the Project and Communications Officer to ensure all postings are visible and equitable. Cllr. M. Coupe disagreed and believed the postings were justified.

RESOLVED. That management of the Facebook page be undertaken by the Parish Council's Project and Communications Officer.

Proposed by Cllr. A. Beckett, seconded by Cllr. G. Foley. 6 voted in favour, 3 voted against.

1020/2372 Update regarding the Remembrance Sunday outdoor service

Cllr. K. Salt informed the meeting this years' service would be held outdoors and due to Covid restrictions there would be no march/parade. Reverend Gill Manley had confirmed track and trace and social distancing measures were in place and would be observed. Cllr. K. Salt and Cllr. I. Brentnall would be supporting the Reverend Gill Manley at the service, Cllr. I. Brentnall would read the Roll of Honour. Cllr. C. Whitehead had organised the Parish wreath.

NOTED.

1020/2373 Ratification of the purchase of memorial silhouettes of soldiers ("Tommy's") and War Horses to mark Remembrance

Purchase price for the items: 6 x Soldiers	=	£741.60
2 x War Horses	=	£460.00
Total	=	£1201.60

RESOLVED approval

Proposed by Cllr. K. Salt, seconded by Cllr. R. Vaughan, ALL in favour.

1020/2374 Update from the Communications and Projects Officer

Due to time constraints within the meeting this item would be deferred to the next scheduled meeting.

NOTED.

1020/2375 Update from the Clerk

The Clerk informed the meeting that the proposed removal of the redundant store area at the Cemetery had been arranged with a local contractor.

There was potential subsidence to the Pavilion in Shetland Road, with the Council's insurer informed.

1020/2378 Request from a resident for a dog waste bin on Chesterfield Road

Discussion followed regarding a proposed installation of dog waste bin at a position near the footpath through to open spaces, favoured by dog walkers. It was suggested that as a result this was a “hot spot” for dog fouling.

RESOLVED

That the bin be installed and added to the collection roster of Bolsover District Council.
Proposed by Cllr. K. Salt, seconded by Cllr. M. Coupe, 8 voted in favour, 1 abstained.

1020/2379 Future proposals for the flats adjacent to the Parish Hall

Councillors raised concern at the meeting on what was considered a lack of consultation by Bolsover District Council with the Parish Council regarding demolition plans for the flats. Cllr. D. Watson stated the area for accommodation would be improved, with investment of £34 million to be undertaken by Bolsover Homes project and gave assurance that the land would be grassed and if no further development of the area, new suitable housing would be built on the land. Differing views were expressed on whether the decision made was in the best interest when compared to renovation. Cllr. K. Salt asked how much the demolition would cost the local authority and had all residents been rehomed.

RESOLVED.

To write to Bolsover District Council, regarding concern over lack of consultation.
Proposed by Cllr. A. Beckett, seconded by Cllr. P. Billington, 5 voted in favour, 1 voted against, 2 abstained.

1020/2380 Tibshelf Food Bank request for additional usage of Pavilion

Tibshelf Covid-19 Support Group requested the use of the pavilion on an additional day, Thursday evening to support the food bank. This will be reviewed in light of the return of band practice which usually takes place on Thursday evenings.

RESOLVED.

Proposed by Cllr. M. Coupe, seconded by Cllr. R. Vaughan, ALL in favour.
(A declaration of Interest was declared by Cllr. K. Salt and Cllr. A. Beckett who are administrators of the group and oversee the foodbank).

1020/2381 To consider sponsorship of Christmas Crafts activities for children

Cllr. S. Wood advised members that due to the Covid restrictions the annual Christmas event would not be held this year, but would like to request sponsorship to purchase craft materials and selection boxes for children of the parish. Cllr. S. Wood as the lead Member of the project, requested a sum of £500 for materials etc.

RESOLVED.

Proposed by Cllr. A. Beckett, seconded by Cllr. P. Billington, ALL in favour

1020/2382 Approval of Income and Expenditure reports for the period April to September 2020.

RESOLVED approval of the accounts

Proposed by Cllr M. Coupe, seconded by Cllr. D. Watson, ALL in favour; however Cllrs. M. Coupe, D. Watson and R. Heffer wished it recorded that they were not in approval of the payment issued to the external HR provider albeit that approval had previously been granted to use an external HR provider.

1020/2383 Exclusion of Public and Press – To exclude the public from the meeting during discussion of the following items due to the confidential nature

Proposed by Cllr. M. Coupe, seconded by Cllr. A. Beckett, ALL in favour

(Cllrs. P. Billington, G. Foley, R. Vaughan left the meeting)

1020/2384 Arrangements for office opening hours – current and future

This item was discussed by Members and a decision was taken.

The meeting closed at 9.15 pm

Signed : Chairman

Date :