

# Minutes of the Meeting of Tibberton Parish Council held on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2022

**Democratic Period:** Around 40 members of the public were present. A statement from the Tibberton Action Group was read out during the democratic period. The chairman stated that the statement would be responded to at the next ordinary meeting when the Council had had time to reflect on it.

## 1. Attendance

Present: Chairman Margaret Rowley, Vice-Chairman Michael Doolin, Rob Grimer  
Chris Hartwright, Eve Holding, Mike Leci, Diana Nutting

Apologies: None

In attendance: Jeanette Hill (Clerk) via Microsoft Teams, Marc Bayliss, County Councillor

## 2. Declarations of Interest

- a) Declaration of Interests: Margaret Rowley said that as a member of Wychavon's Planning Committee, she could not express an opinion on the planning applications before they came to Committee but could advise on policy issues.
- b) Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests in items on the agenda: none
- c) Declaration of Other Disclosable Interests in items on the agenda: none.

3. There were no written requests for the Council to grant a dispensation under Section 33 of the Localism Act 2011.

## 4. Minutes of Previous Meetings of the Council

- a) Proposal: Tibberton Parish Council formally adopts the minutes of the Meeting of Tibberton Parish Council held on Tuesday 5th July 2022. These minutes were not adopted.
- b) Proposal: Tibberton Parish Council formally adopts the minutes of the Extra Ordinary Meeting of Tibberton Parish Council held on 12th July 2022. These were adopted subject to an amendment. After a discussion on procedure the clerk left the meeting for reasons unknown.
- c) Proposal: Tibberton Parish Council formally adopts the minutes of the Extra Ordinary Meeting of Tibberton Parish Council held on 2nd August 2022. These were adopted subject to the amendment that, according to financial regulations, alternative supplier quotes for electricity supply were not required.
- d) Proposal: Tibberton Parish Council formally adopts the minutes of the Extra Ordinary Meeting of Tibberton Parish Council held on 18th August 2022. These were adopted subject to a number of amendments.

## 5. The report of the County Councillor

Margaret Rowley welcomed Cllr Marc Bayliss to the meeting.

Marc Bayliss reported on a number of issues.

- a) White gates – This project is funded. Tibberton is the only Parish Council in the County to raise issues of insurance cover for the fitting of the gates. Mike Leci will meet with the Liaison Engineer to resolve the issue.
- b) Worcester 6 – Marc Bayliss is working with the developers of Worcester 6 for them to fund projects within Tibberton
- c) County Council bus service improvement plan bid was unsuccessful.
- d) Marc Bayliss will explore the provision of a bus service for secondary school children
- e) A new high school is being built on the outskirts of Worcester which will benefit Tibberton. It is expected to come on stream in 2025/26.
- f) The County Council is exploring actions to alleviate the cost of living crisis

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- g) The County Council meeting on 8<sup>th</sup> September will be discussing air quality.
- h) The County Council is seeking to reduce the speed limit at Pulley Lane from 60 mph to 40 mph
- i) Marc Bayliss is prepared to fund an extra flashing VAS sign

Margaret Rowley asked about the weight limit on Tibberton Bridge. Marc Bayliss will take that away as an action.

### **6. The report of the District Councillor -Margaret Rowley**

- a) A report by Wychavon District Council Planning Officers, published in August, demonstrated that the Council has a 5 year housing land supply.
- b) The final draft of the South Worcestershire Development Plan Review is due out at the end of September. It will then be considered by the three South Worcestershire Councils in October and, if agreed, there will be a further 6 week period of public consultation during November and December. The draft and consultation responses will be considered by a Planning Inspector in a formal Examination in Public to be held in Spring 2023. Members of the public will be able to make representations in person to the inspector at that event.

### **7. -Reports by Councillors representing the Council on Outside Bodies**

- a) Neighbourhood Watch -Mike Leci  
75 households have signed up to Neighbourhood Watch, and there is now a dedicated WhatsApp group. A public meeting will be arranged with the Neighbourhood Watch Co-Ordinator and the Community Support Officer once the new village hall is open.
- b) Community Speed Watch – Margaret Rowley  
There were 7 sessions in August 1,365 vehicles were logged, an average of 195 an hour. 45 vehicles were speeding, and the highest recorded speed was 45mph
- c) Tibberton Community Land Trust – Rob Grimer  
The CLT is waiting for the village hall lease
- d) County Association of Local Councils – Margaret Rowley  
There will be a Wychavon area meeting on 7<sup>th</sup> September where the topic will be community safety
- e) Telephone Kiosk Working Group – Margaret Rowley  
Work has begun by a number of volunteers to clean up the kiosk and remove the banked up soil around it.

### **8. Report from the local police officer**

None received

### **9. Planning**

- a) Planning applications referred by Wychavon District Council and Worcestershire County Council for comment and to determine a response:
  - I. W/22/01436/ADV Unit 10B, Clayfield Road, Worcester Six Business Park, Corporate signage to building above main entrance on North Elevation. 3no. Totem Signs to curtilage of Plot. Response – No objection, although reference should be made to possible light pollution
  - II. W/22/00902/HP: 3 Old Turnpike Cottages, Tibberton. Single storey kitchen extension to rear Response – No objection.
  - III. W/22/01424/HP The Old Stables, Church Lane, Tibberton, Construction of detached garage, porch extension and installation of external flue Response – it should be

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noted that this is in the curtilage of a grade 2 listed building, and its height should not obtrude Rectory Farm House or the adjacent barn conversions. No other objections

- IV. W/22/01565/OUT Land At (os 9075 5799), Evelench Lane, Tibberton Outline planning application with all matters reserved except for access for a development of up to 100 dwellings. The Parish Council agreed that it intends to object strongly to this proposal. Marc Bayliss outlined in non specific terms the type of objections that can be taken into account in such applications. It was agreed that Diana Nutting will circulate outline objections to the Parish Council for consideration so that a response can be made before the 22<sup>nd</sup> September deadline. Margaret Rowley abstained for the reason given under declarations of interest above.

b. South Worcestershire Development Plan Review: update from District Cllr Rowley. This was covered in item 6, District Councillors Report

### 10. Highways and Byways

- a) Rob Grimer reported that two stiles and a gate are still in need of repair.
- b) Complaints have been received from members of the public that hedge trimming by Platform Housing has not been completed satisfactorily. Margaret Rowley will investigate.
- c) Marc Bayliss undertook to investigate the situation of the adoption of Hawthorn Rise. A question regarding responsibility for the maintenance of the footway between Hawthorn Rise and Plough Road was also raised by a member of the public.

### 11. Code of Conduct

It was agreed to defer this item to the next ordinary meeting

### 12. Finance

- a) It was proposed by Michael Doolin and seconded by Diana Nutting that the Parish Council should see the full management accounts on a monthly basis at each meeting. This was agreed unanimously. The chairman will therefore instruct the clerk to present up to date management accounts at each ordinary meeting.
- b) It was agreed to join the Council for the Protection of Rural England (CPRE). Chris Hartwright stated that the Parish Council had been a member in the past, and he was unaware that this membership had lapsed.

### 13. Website

Rob Grimer has researched website providers that comply with Parish Councils' accessibility criteria and recommends Netwise, at a set up cost of £499 and an annual fee of £250. Michael Doolin proposed that the Parish Council accepts this . Seconded Rob Grimer Passed unanimously.

### 14. Correspondence

None was available

### 15. Items for inclusion on a future agenda

The members agreed the following items for the agenda for the October ordinary meeting

- a) Code of conduct item deferred from the September meeting

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- b) A decision of a set of procedures on protocols for the employment of individuals. This was proposed by Michael Doolin and seconded by Margaret Rowley. There were 3 votes in favour, 1 against and 3 abstentions. It was therefore carried.

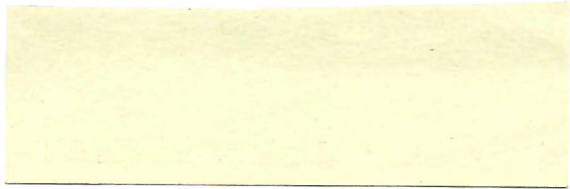
### **16. Legal advice in relation to the leasing of Tibberton Village Hall**

This item was taken in open session.

Wychavon Council have suggested some small amendments to the lease which can now be passed to the VAT specialist for comment and then to the Parish Council solicitor. In the absence of the clerk Margaret Rowley undertook to obtain a copy of the lease and pass it to the VAT specialist.

### **17. Date of Next Meeting**

The next ordinary meeting of Tibberton Parish Council will be held on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2022 at 7.30 at Tibberton Parish Hall. Members of the public and press were cordially invited to be present



Chairman 11<sup>th</sup> October 2022