

## TUNSTALL PARISH COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April, 2015

**Present:** Cllr. L. Burgess –Chair  
Cllr. C. Browning  
Cllr. I. Davison  
Cllr. J. Mills  
Cllr. A. Spicer  
Cllr. R. Spencer  
Lynda Fisher, Clerk  
5 Members of the Public

#### Public Time

A resident raised her concerns regarding the amount of litter on Britain's roads and referred to the problem with this on the A249 and around Junction 5 of the M2; she asked if the Parish Council could assist. Clerk to ask the Highways Agency and Swale Borough Council to clear the litter; Cllr. Burgess to write to KCC's Cabinet Member. Clerk to place this on the May Agenda. **Action: Cllr. Burgess/Clerk**

#### 1. Welcome and Apologies

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting; apologies were received from Cllr. Mitchell.

County Cllr. Roger Truelove and Borough Councillors were not in attendance and have not been since May 2013, despite being advised of the meetings.

#### 2. Declarations of Interest and Dispensations

None; a Dispensation has already been granted to all Members relating to Tunstall School.

#### 3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Proposed by Cllr. Davison and seconded by Cllr. Spicer, the Minutes of the Monthly Parish Council Meeting held on the 9<sup>th</sup> March, 2015, were agreed by Members and signed as a true transcript.

#### 4. Matters Arising from the Minutes

1. **WW1 Memorial** – Place on the May Agenda. Members thanked Cllr. Spicer for the beautiful WW1 Collage she had created, which is to be hung in Tunstall memorial Hall. **Action: Clerk**

2. **School – Contractor/Tunstall Working Party** –Cllr. Spicer stated that she has been advised by a senior member of staff at KCC that the Working Party will be restarted. Clerk to chase James Sanderson regarding the non-moving of the noisy generator. **Action: Clerk**

3. **Parents' use of Village Hall Car Park** – Leave this item on the Agenda. **Action: Clerk**

5. **Planning** – No applications.

#### 6. Finance

1. **Quote for Clearing Weed – Coffin Pond** – Proposed by Cllr. Davison, seconded by Cllr. Spicer, agreed to accept the quote of £220 for the work. **Action: Clerk**

2. **Bank Mandate** – Members were advised that due to the Elections Barclays Bank have agreed that Cllrs. Browning and Mitchell will sign the May cheques, pending the urgent receipt of the new Mandate and individual signatories details. **Action: All Councillors/Clerk**

3. **KALC Subscription 2015/16** – proposed by Cllr. Spicer and seconded by Cllr. Spencer all agreed the subscription cost of £328.49p

4. **Accounts and Cheques raised at this meeting** – the following cheques were signed and the accounts to the 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2015, approved.

Date	Cheque	Details		Amount
13.04.15	1048	L. Fisher	Expenses – Telephone; office use, 12 x 1 <sup>st</sup> and 12 x 2 <sup>nd</sup> Class Stamps - March	£24.37p
13.04.15	1049	H.M. Revenue & Customs	Tax – March 2014	£49.20p
13.04.15	1050	Tunstall P.C.C.	Midwinter Room Hire April	£12.50p
13.04.15	1051	Citizens Advice Bureau	Donation 2015/16	£100.00p
13.04.15	1052	Branchett Limited	Hedge Trimming and weed spraying 2014/15	£795.00p
13.04.15	1053	Eon	Street Lighting Energy Charge 2014/15	£31.31p
13.04.15	1054	K.A.L.C.	Subscription 2015/16	£328.49p
Seven Cheques in total.				

Paid by Standing Order

Clerk's Wages – March £197.14p

#### 7. **Correspondence**

1. **Parliament in the Making programme** – Noted
2. **Swale Borough Council - Draft Tree Policy Consultation** – Draft Policy noted, no comments.
3. **DCLG Consultation on Local Government Ombudsman & Larger Parish Councils** – Noted.

#### 9. **Any Other Matters Arising**

1. A letter was circulated from an unknown resident and noted by Councillors.
2. Cllr. Browning raised the issue of potholes in Hearts Delight Road; Clerk to report again. **Action: Clerk**
3. As this will be the last meeting before the Elections and they have made the decision to stand down, the Chairman thanked Cllr. Browning for her services to the Council since 1998 and wished her well for the future. As Cllr. Mitchell was absent he asked the Clerk to pass on thanks to him for all the help and assistance he has given during his time with the Parish Council. **Action: Clerk**

#### 10. **Next Meeting(s)**

The Parish Meeting, Annual Parish Council Meeting and Monthly Meeting will take place on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May, 2015, commencing at 6.45 p.m. in the Midwinter Room, St. John the Baptist Church, Tunstall.

**The meeting closed at 7.30 p.m.**