

# TRUDOXHILL PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> August 2013

- PRESENT:** Paul Candy (Chairman) ,R Lewis (Acting Vice Chairman) C.Midgley, P.Cloney, J. Symes, P. Allen  
Six members of the public
- CLERK:** Georgina Blackshaw
- APOLOGIES:** Cllr. David Stevens,
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### Declaration of Interest:

None

### 15.10 The Minutes :

- Having been circulated, were proposed by **PC** seconded by **RL**. **PC** then signed them off as a true copy.

### **Members of the Public Comments:**

The meeting was suspended to allow for Parishioners time to raise relevant issues. There were no issues raised.

### 15.1 Matters Arising:

- 15.1.1 Fencing – **JS** reported that Nev Dean had completed work to a high standard
- 15.1.2 Rubbish Bins – **JS** had relined and repainted bin outside Postlebury View. Thanks expressed.
- 15.1.3 Monksham Farm/Solar Farm Planning Application. Letter received stating that a representative from the TPC could speak at the meeting (6pm. 7<sup>th</sup> August) to represent the Parish view established at the EGM in June. It was agreed that Mr John Salmon would attend to present the report. **Clerk to action:** phone to book a slot/liaise with Mr Salmon to provide all background info.

### 15.2 Correspondence:

- 15.2.1 Letter from PCC thanking TPC for donation of £250 towards upkeep of Marston Graveyard.
- 15.2.2 Neighbourhood Policing Awards information, nominations due by Aug. 4<sup>th</sup>. None forthcoming.
- 15.2.3 Mendip Planning - information evenings - dates issues and Cllr's expressed interest in attending. **Clerk to circulate** more information nearer the proposed meetings
- 15.2.3 Gypsy/Travellers Caravans/site count. **RL** has replied – no new sites recorded.
- 15.2.4 Speed indicator devise – need clarification of sitings/timings. **PC** to ask if foliage could be cleared around installation at the start of West End Lane. **Clerk to check dates.**
- 15.2.5 PACT meeting – main area of concern is speeding and theft. **PC** could not attend but will be present at next meeting.
- 15.2.6 Somerset Rural Youth Information booklet has been circulated. **Clerk will file** for reference.
- 15.2.7 Cheddar Reservoir – Consultation views sought – information only.

### 15.3 Planning

- 15.3.1 Planning Application Ref No.2013/1066 Longwaite Farm has been **Approved with Conditions** by Mendip No other planning issues received / to consider.

## **15.4 Accounts For Payment**

- 15.5.1 Moson Solutions – website management.
- 15.5.2 N Dean – grass cutting / Your View printing / Village Garden fence replacement/repair
- 15.5.3 Clerk – Wages & Travel (SALC training sessions at Bridgwater)
- 15.5.4 Zurich Insurance renewal.

## **15.5 Items to Report:**

- 15.6.1 Playground update – **CM** reported that working party had met and that she was pursuing funding and would be applying for £10,000 from Lottery Funds. The additional monies would need to be raised and Parishioners would be asked for ideas/to volunteer using the excellent facility of the Village Hall. It would need wider support in order for this to be done and the group will be looking at this aspect in the near future, having some initial ideas to develop,
- 15.6.2 Metal seat on Village Green to be removed and placed in the Village Garden where it will be refurbished. **PC** to organise and complete
- 15.6.3 **PA** request for new kissing gate opposite Vanquish – will be done as soon as final checking has been completed.
- 15.6.4 New village sign has been erected by **PC** in more secure spot. Thanks expressed and also to Graeme and Crystal at the White Hart for paying for the sign. **Clerk to write to thank them**
- 15.6.5 Grass cutting at Postlebury View. **JS** has now moved from no 3 and does not cut this area which he had voluntarily undertaken since moving to the house. Residents requested that TPC take over the maintenance but the land is owned by Mendip. Clerk has checked and the Contractors will now undertake this work **Clerk to write** to inform householders and pass on contact number should this not happen.
- 15.6.6 **PA** has received some complaints that Your View had too much advertising on front page. Georgie Blackshaw pointed out that there was little other news forthcoming and as the pub supported the village and contributed to the purchase of the sign, she felt in the time she had to compile the Newsletter, that it did provide information about events/change of times.
- 15.6.7 Web site – some of the information was out of date/needs checking. **CM** will liaise with Mats (Moson) re updating the whole site as there are various issues relating to the site. There will be some financial implications and so the Parish budget will need to be checked before any decision is made.

## **15.6 Other Business referred to the Clerk**

- 15.6.1 Sally Gubb met with Clerk to discuss ways that she can support in her role as Parish & Voluntary Sector Development Manager. She has information about Mendip's 'core contract', distributes information to Cllr's online about events/meetings in Mendip and can also support Village Hall Committee's. **PCL** agreed to act as a liaison with Sally and our Village Hall as he is part of both groups. **Clerk to pass on email details**
- 15.6.2 Clerk's training – GB starting to become more familiar with processes and will continue to update/liaise with SALC (Somerset Association of Local Councils)
- 15.6.3 Zurich Insurance renewal accepted by TPC. **Clerk to send cheque** and to obtain an additional quote to include the Playground (if built).

The meeting closed at 8.25pm.  
The next meeting will be at 7.30 p.m Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2013

*For the attention of: Mr P Candy, Mr R Lewis, Mr P Allan, Mrs C Midgley,  
Mr. P Cloney, Mr J Symes.  
Cllr Stevens*