

# TACKLEY PARISH COUNCIL

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## Minutes of Parish Council meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> April 2023 held at Tackley Village Hall

**Present:** Councillors Liz Marshall (LM) (Chair), Andrew Lines (AL) (Vice Chair), June Collier (JC), Angus Paxton (AP), Andy Graham (OCC),  
Cherie Carruthers (CC) (Clerk to the Council)  
6 Members of the public

### **22/119:Public Participation:**

i) Anne Gwinnet – Stop Botley West.

Ms Gwinnet asked the members for an update on when the PC will issue the notes and outcome of the public meeting held in February regarding Botley West. She noted that the PC had promised to release an update to all residents and was concerned that it had not appeared on the agenda since the meeting.

CC replied that she was waiting for the written report from the “for”, before publishing the update. The PC have not taken an official stance either for or against at this moment in time, and LM advised that the PC are waiting for the next round of consultations before the PC make an official stance.

Ms Gwinnet mentioned that other councils within the Stop Botley West Campaign were doing a lot more to prepare for when the next consultation is live. She asked for reassurance that TPC would do the same, as she felt it had gone very quiet since the public meeting. LM assured her it is still on the PC’s radar but there are several other pressing issues that the PC are also addressing.

AL thanked Ms Gwinnet for coming along and stated that it is not a black and white issue, and that he felt many people who did not come to the public meeting were still undecided or for the development.

AP stated that Ms Gwinnet did not advise of any new information, he said that the Council are doing no material work on this at the moment and that the PC are elected representatives to make decisions and that they do not consult on every single item brought forward.

ii) Paul Joslin – PC representation at the airport meetings

Mr Joslin noted that the PC had not sent a representative to the last few airport meetings, and that there should be one there. The next meeting is 25<sup>th</sup> April and he wanted assurance that the PC would send someone. CC to look back in the minutes and agree who the new representative is.

### **22/120: Agenda item 10ii(a) was discussed at this point in the meeting:**

Jenny Kenny and Tony Perry from Tackley Beer festival addressed the meeting asking if they could use the playing field for the 2023 festival. JC proposed the PC approve this seconded by AL:

**APPROVED.** JC asked if there would be a camping option at this year’s event, Ms Kenny said if it is an option that would be good.

### **22/121: Matters from the floor: None.**

**22/122: Apologies for absence:** Councillors Richard Jackson (RJ), Richard Holland-Oakes (RHO) and Martin McMahan (MM). District Councillors Nathalie Chapple and Mathew Parkinson.

### **22/123:Declaration of interest:**

LM declared an interest in item 11.i –the recipient is a family member.

JC declared an interest in item 11.i – she is the recipient of the reimbursement.

**22/124:** Minutes of Council meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> February 2023 were approved as a fair and true record: Proposer AL, seconder AP. Minutes of the council meeting 20<sup>th</sup> March were approved as a fair and true record: Proposer AL, seconder JC: both sets **APPROVED.**

## 22/125: Matters arising from the February meeting:

- i. Dog Poo Bins Crecy Hill and Jubilee Gardens: The bin at Crecy Hill had been installed and the works complete. The Jubilee Gardens bin had been promised no later than the 30<sup>th</sup> April 2023.
- ii. Gardiner Arms Asset of Community Value status renomination: WODC had accepted that the nomination is valid and that they would send the paper to the property owners for their response. It will be determined early May.
- iii. Insurance Claim for Solar Light: CC had started the claim with the insurers, they will complete the paperwork once the PC had paid out for the repairs and an invoice accompany the insurance claim.
- iv. Graveyard update: this item is still outstanding and a working group meeting to be arranged by AL.
- v. Dead Rowan tree Chaundy Road: CC still needs to contact Nicholsons – item outstanding. LM asked AG why OCC had planted a tree on the Medcroft Road. She noted that the PC had not been consulted on this and that the Tulip Tree is beautiful any tree planted should really be native.
- vi. VAS signs installation: RHO with the approval of CC had instructed Paul Cheeseman to go ahead and install the 3 signs.

**22/126: District Council Matters:** None – apologies from NC & MP.

**22/127: County Council Matters: None** – Andy Graham (AG) updated that he had chased the following:

- Catchment Study: he confirmed that the study had been commissioned but had no further update for the meeting.
- LM asked why only 2 potholes on the bend on the road to Sturdy's Castle had been fixed? She noted that the whole strip needed doing not just a few holes. AG advised that the whole contract is going out for tender within the next 12 months.

CC thanked AG for his help with pushing through the ACV renomination to the WODC officers and checking they responded quickly.

**22/128: To consider planning matters:** None.

**22/129: Parish Amenities:**

- i. Heath Update: LM and Rachel Strachan met with SSE to agree works on the trees under the powerlines. LM asked the council if this could go ahead: Proposer JC, seconder AL. LM asked CC to mention the SSE works signed off by AP at Nethercote Road.
- ii. Use of Tackley Playing Field requests: The members discussed and approved the following:
  - a. Gill Laurence – set off remembrance fireworks – 24<sup>th</sup> June 2023. - **Approved**
  - b. Coronation Picnic. - **Approved**
- iii. Playing Field Permissions: LM suggested that if the profits from an event are going to a private company or for personal gain the user should be charged. AL agreed with this. AL suggested the PC reserve the right to charge accordingly depending upon the event. – **AGREED.**

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- iv. Land at Harborne Road update: CC had chased Kelly Murphy @ WODC for the historic planning conditions, she has not received a response. Freeth's had not returned her call chasing the original deeds for the land.
- v. Safety Railings Nethercote Road: WODC Planning Officer Kelly Murphy emailed CC on the 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023 to state that she had no knowledge of the railings, could it be a planning condition from OCC? She advised that if they have been installed as part of a planning condition, discharge of those is unlikely and therefore unlikely they would be replaced. She is meeting the developers onsite at the end of April and will check then. CC to report the damage on FixmyStreet and see if anyone takes ownership of them.

**22/130: To consider matters of finance and policies:**

- i. It was approved that the following payments were ratified and the impact the payment would have on the budget and reserves.  
Proposed: AP, seconded: AL: **APPROVED**

Online	Gross Amount (£)	VAT Value (£)	Payee	Details	Power
	788.04	131.34	Greenscythe Ltd	Inv 15525 village maintenance	Open Spaces Act
	797.33		Clerks Pay	January Salary	LGA 1972 S111
	25.00		A Marshall	Feb Bin Emptying	LGA 1972 S112
	25.00		A Khan	Feb Bin Emptying	LGA 1972 S112
	236.27		OALC	Annual Membership	LGA 1972 S112
	29.14		June Collier	Reimbursement for gift	LGA 1972 S112

**22/131: To consider other matters:**

- i. APM: CC confirmed that the County Cllr, District Cllr, Police, Tackley School Head, Chair of the village Hall Committee will be invited to come.
- ii. Cherwell Rise Play Area: JC wanted to know what is happening with the play area, it is still ringfenced off, but no works seem to be taking place. Can we try and find out what is going on.
- iii. Railway: JC and Reg Cox met with Network Rail, with no further outcome on the bridge. NR suggested that the bridge be moved further north. JC said nothing further has changed but they agreed that they would contact the Clerk in the summer with the proposal and consult to the village in July.

**22/132:** It was resolved to move into a closed session and the exclusion of press and public in accordance with the Press and Public (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, due to the confidential nature of the business to be discussed in relation to the following matters:

- i. It was **agreed** in principle that the PC would underwrite the cost of the survey on the Gardiners Arms and Function Room, this survey would be made available to any community group with more than 5 members and at the discretion of the PC.

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- ii. It was **agreed** that the PC would give formal notice of its intention to submit a formal bid for the properties listed in the Intended Disposal Notice (ACV19) Section 95.

**Next meeting:** 15<sup>th</sup> May at 7pm for the Annual Parish Meeting and 8pm for the Annual Parish Council Meeting.

Meeting closed at 21:10pm.

Signed as a true record of the Tackley Parish Council Meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> April 2023.

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