**TIBBERTON & CHERRINGTON PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held at the Village Hall, Tibberton, at 7:00pm on Thursday 21 March 2019.**

**Present: Cllr J Berry (Chairman)**

 **Councillors: R Belcher, N Eyles, C Hames and M Fawcett**

 **Clerk: J Major**

**18/55** Apologies had been received from Cllr Rowson. Cllr Burrell had advised that he would be arriving late to the meeting. Cllr Hilton was absent.

Cllr Fawcett declared and interest in respect of item 18/59 (a) i.

**18/56 a)** The draft Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting, Thursday 31 January 2019 had been circulated prior to the meeting. The adoption of the Minutes was proposed by Cllr Belcher, Seconded by Cllr Eyles and agreed.

 **b) Matters arising:** 18/49 (a), 18/44 (b) and 18/38 (a) TIBBERTON VILLAGE SHOP PLANNING APPLICATION. A representative from the Tibberton Shop committee advised that discussions with TWC Planning officials were ongoing.

18/49 (b), 18/44 (b) and 18/38 (d) TIBBERTON ROAD NETWORK: The Clerk advised he had received an email from Nick McGurk, TWC Highways Development Team Leader explaining that Keith Harris had been absent from work for a number of weeks so he was taking over discussions with the Parish Council on these issues. He provided information regarding some of the concerns relating to traffic management on the B5062. The main proposal was a reduction in the speed limit to 40mph on the section passing through the Parish. [Monies for this may be obtained from S106 contributions]. He was unable to offer any further comment on the issues that were raised with Keith Harris during last year’s review of Tibberton’s road network. The Clerk was instructed to contact Mr McGurk and arrange for him to come to the village to meet with Councillors and repeat the traffic review.

18/51 (ii) The Clerk advised he had been in contact with Severn Trent Water and Samantha Clarke, Senior Evaluation Technician had responded She will be liaising with colleagues to try and assess and answer the concerns the Council has raised and will respond further in due course.

**18/57 Neighbourhood Watch Report** Nick Greenallspoke briefly on the latest Neighbourhood Watch Report which had been circulated previously and have been posted on the Council’s website.

**18/58 Finance** Cllr Fawcett confirmed reconciliation of the Council’s latest bank statement dated 1 March 2018. The Council’s current bank balance is £7,309.97

The Clerk advised that no further income or expenditure was anticipated during the remainder of the financial year and, therefore, this figure was, in effect, the amount of the Council’s Reserves. The Clerk proposed this figure be represented in the Council’s year end accounts as follows: Neighbourhood Plan Reserve, £3,000; ICT and Office Reserve, £750; Neighbourhood Watch Reserve, £400; General Reserve, £3,160. Councillors agreed that the General Reserve of 56% of the current annual precept was a prudent and acceptable amount to maintain. This was proposed by Cllr Eyles, seconded by Cllr Fawcett and agreed.

**18/59 Planning.** Cllr Berry proposed that consideration of item 18/59 (a) (i) be deferred until the end of the meeting. This was seconded by Cllr Eyles and agreed.

1. **New application(s) for consideration.**
2. [TWC/2019/0212](https://secure.telford.gov.uk/planning/pa-applicationsummary.aspx?applicationnumber=TWC/2019/0212): Erection of a single storey side and rear extension, two storey front and side extension, single storey front and side extension, conversion of existing garage including a single storey front extension and reconfiguration of roof and first floor rear extension with balcony to Rhodon House, Tibberton (Part-Retrospective) (Amendment to planning application [TWC/2018/0107](https://secure.telford.gov.uk/planning/pa-applicationsummary.aspx?applicationnumber=TWC/2018/0107))

Cllr Eyles proposed that the Council make no objection to this application, but comment that all side windows of the property, overlooking neighbouring properties should be glazed with opaque glass. This was seconded by Cllr Belcher and agreed.

1. [TWC/2019/0223](https://secure.telford.gov.uk/planning/pa-applicationsummary.aspx?applicationnumber=TWC/2019/0223): Erection of a single storey rear extension to 48 Cherrington Road, Tibberton.

Cllr Fawcett proposed the Council make no objection to this application. This was seconded by Cllr Hames and agreed.

1. **Applications decided since the previous Council meeting**
2. [TWC/2018/0976](https://secure.telford.gov.uk/planning/pa-applicationsummary.aspx?Applicationnumber=TWC/2018/0976) has had a decision made. It was “Fully Granted
3. [TWC/2019/0061](https://secure.telford.gov.uk/planning/pa-applicationsummary.aspx?Applicationnumber=TWC/2019/0061) has had a decision made it was ‘Full Granted’

**19:40**. Cllr Burrell joined the meeting.

1. **Footpath No. 3/planning application:** Cllr Fawcett advised she had been in discussions with Andrew Careless, TWC’s Senior Rights of Way Officer over the condition of the footpath – between Plantation Road and the playing fields. The erection of fencing along the west side of the path as part of the development of the site of 61 Plantation Road [**TWC/2018/0494**](https://secure.telford.gov.uk/planning/pa-applicationsummary.aspx?applicationnumber=TWC/2018/0494), has adversely impacted on the condition of the path in that it does not dry out after spells of bad weather. Cllr Berry commented that the planning approval for this site showed that a hedge – not a fence – should have been planted along the boundary. It was further commented that the fence has been positioned some two to three feet outside the property boundary and onto the footpath. Not only did this adversely impact walkers, but it made cutting back the thorn hedge on the east side of the path very difficult. The Clerk was instructed to relay these comments to the appropriate planning enforcement officers. Cllr Fawcett would also write in similar terms to Mr Careless.
2. **Parish Neighbourhood Plan**

Cllr Eyles advised the Plan was progressing to time and that the next meeting of the Steering Group and TWC Neighbourhood Plans officials was due to be taking place in the next few weeks.

**18/60 Matters for information and any other business**

1. SNN/2019/0005: Clark Croft and Hall Croft were submitted as suggestions for the two new street names on land north of 61 Plantation Road, Tibberton.
2. The Clerk provided details of the forthcoming Parish Council elections due to take place on 2 May. Application packs were being made available – exclusively - on line this time. Nominations open at 9:00 on 26 March and close at 16:00 on 3 April. The Clerk was instructed to circulate details to those parishioners who have requested they be kept informed of key Parish Council issues and to place posters on the two notice boards in Tibberton. It was also agreed that Councillors should, whenever possible, raise awareness of the elections with local residents.
3. The Clerk provided details of the new cleaning contract agreed between TWC and idverde.
4. The following dates for the Council’s scheduled meetings for the coming 12 months were agreed: 18 July, 26 September, 21 November, 23 January, 19 March and 21 May. (There will also be an Audit Committee meeting on 9 January).

**18/61 Date of next meeting, Thursday, 16 May 2019 at 7pm in the Village Hall**

**20:10. Cllr Fawcett left the meeting.**

**18/59 Planning**

1. **New application(s) for consideration.**
2. [**TWC/2019/0177**](https://secure.telford.gov.uk/planning/pa-applicationsummary.aspx?applicationnumber=TWC/2019/0177)**:** Reserved matters application for the erection of 22 houses and garages including details of appearance, landscaping, layout and scale pursuant to outline application TWC/2014/1080 on land south and west of Tibberton Motor Repairs, Mill Lane, Tibberton.

Discussion centred on the S106 condition attached to the outline approval for this application that a footpath should run from the site, along the west side of the road to the top of Mill Lane. The house owners on this side of the road advise that they own the land and that it may not be built on. Cllr Belcher proposed the Council should object to this application and make comment, with regard to the Reserved Matters, that further consideration by planning officials should not be made until the issue surrounding the footpath has been satisfactorily addressed by the applicant. This was seconded by Cllr Eyles and agreed.

Cllr Eyles advised he has been in discussions with Newport Historical Society regarding this site, which, as a major paper mill, was a significant employer and centre of village life. In addition to the history and connection the village had with the mill, there is thought to be an old and rare mill wheel on the site of interest to the Society. He believed the Society will be making their own submissions in this regard – which he felt the Council should support. He therefore proposed that, in its response to TWC, the Council should also comment that when Reserved Matters are considered, a condition is placed such there should be no building/infrastructure on the section of the site where the Mill originally stood. This was seconded by Cllr Belcher and agreed.

Cllr Burrell advised that he will be speaking with the planning officer next week and – depending on how that discussion develops – may *call it in* to be considered by TWC Planning Committee.

**The meeting closed at 20:52.**

**John Major Parish Clerk**