

# TILSHEAD PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 10<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2017

**Present:** Cllr. Debby Potter (Vice Chairman), Cllr. Robert Leachman (Finance Officer), Cllr. Ted Basford, Cllr. Gillian Goldsmith, County Cllr. Darren Henry, the Clerk & one member of the public.

**Apologies were received & accepted from:** Cllr. Adam Harris (Chairman), Cllr. Judith Moore and Cllr. Pauline Colin.

As there were no comments from the floor the meeting went straight into the closed meeting as numbered on the Agenda.

1. **Opening remarks by the Chairman.** Cllr. Debby Potter as Vice Chairman took the chair in the absence of the Chairman and will therefore be referred to in these Minutes as the Chairman. With the approval of those present the Chairman signed the Minutes of the previous meeting approved as being a true record of that meeting. The Chairman produced posters left by Cllr. Adam Harris to be approved by the meeting, asking dog walkers to pick up their dog dirt when walking their dogs. Concern was expressed to the meeting about dogs running unsupervised on the Plain and in the village. **Action:** The Clerk was asked to write an article for the Newsletter on behalf of the Parish Council, asking people to keep their dogs under control in the village and on the Plain. Also to remind dog walkers to pick up their dog dirt. (NB. This has been done). The dog posters would be discussed at the next meeting and where to put them.
2. **Clerk & Correspondence:** The Clerk handed out magazines received since the previous meeting. The email received from the Reverend Eleanor Rance was discussed regarding listing the village War Memorial. This was suggested by Historic England. This was discussed and agreed. **Action:** The Clerk was asked to email Historic England with their decision. (NB. This has been done). It was decided to clean the War Memorial and foliage around it before Remembrance Day. Parish Council members would do this themselves.
3. **Military & Police Matters:** **Military:** It has been noted that low flying helicopters have flown over the village posing a risk to those caring for horses. To date the complaint has not received a reply. **Police:** Email received from the police saying they are continuing with their work on the Plain with the MoD regarding 4x4 vehicles etc and hare coursing.
4. **Planning Application:** One received since the previous meeting. Proposal: Proposed single storey extension and minor internal alterations. At: The Dean and Chapter House, High Street. The meeting had no objections to this Planning Application but made the observation that the extension would look rather odd and too modern with so much glass for a listed thatched house. However, as stated above no objections were raised.
5. **Finance:** Cllr. Leachman presented three cheques for signature. (1) Amazon Defibrillator pads £63.86. (2) Siteground Start up web. Hosting £39.60 and (3) Donation for defibrillator installation £10.99. Cllr. Leachman gave his apologies for missing our next meeting.
6. **Highways:** County Cllr. Henry was informed that it was noted that rumble strips had been put in before entering the village, and it was also noted that much work had been carried out on the A360 but not in Tilshead. The County Cllr. Informed the meeting that Tilshead was hopefully on the resurfacing programme for the next financial year. **Action:** Clerk to make note and keep on Agenda! It was noted that the letts on the Chitterne hill needed cleaning out.
7. **Flooding:** Nothing to report.
8. **Environment:** Cllr. Adam Harris was congratulated on organising such an excellent Tidy Up Village and it was noted how well the village was looking. Cllr. Robert Leachman suggested that a donation of

£150 to be made to the British Legion which would include the invoice for the village wreath. This was agreed. Action: The Clerk said that she would contact the British Legion to confirm that they would be sending her the wreath. (NB. This has been done).

9. **Village Hall & Hillier Field Report:** Cllr. Leachman reported that he was “struggling” to find a builder willing to give a second quote for repair to the porch. It was suggested that he asks Mouldings for a quote. This he will do.
10. **Any Other Business:** (1) Bonfire Night: Cllr. Leachman reported that gates would open at 5 pm and the bonfire lit at 6.30. Action: The Clerk was asked to write an article for the Newsletter asking people to be thoughtful of their neighbours if having a fire work party because of distress to pets etc. (NB. This has been done). (2) Allotments: Cllr. Potter reported that seven heaps of earth and chalk had been “fly tipped” on the allotments. (3) School Lane: It was reported that a large tree and growth had been cut back at the top of School Lane. Action: The Clerk was asked to visit the School and ask if they had any knowledge of who and when it had been done. (NB. This has been done). Horse Rider Signs: It was suggested that horse rider signs could be put up at each end of the village. Action: County Cllr. Henry would look into this matter and report to the next meeting.(3) Christmas lights on tree outside Village Hall: This would be discussed at the next meeting, in general a good idea.(4) County Cllr. Darren Henry reported that Wiltshire Unitary Council are proposing awards to volunteers nominated for their work within the communities.
11. **Forecast of next Meeting:** Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November at 7 pm in the Village Hall.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.15 pm.

Minutes approved by:

Adam Harris (Chairman)

Dated:

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