

TILSHEAD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 12TH NOVEMBER 2018

Present: Cllr. Debby Potter (Vice Chairman), Cllr. Robert Leachman (Finance Officer), Cllr. Pauline Colin, Cllr. Gillian Goldsmith, Cllr. Judith Moore, Cllr. George Murray, County Cllr. Darren Henry and the Clerk.

Apologies were received & accepted from: Cllr. Adam Harris (Chairman).

As no members of the public were present, the meeting went into the closed meeting as numbered on the Agenda. In the absence of the Chairman, the chair is taken by Cllr. Debby Potter (Vice Chairman) and will be described in these Minutes as the Chairman.

- Opening remarks by the Chairman, & Action Points from the previous Meeting:** The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting. (1) Berry Lane & Goddard's Lane: The Chairman reported that she still had not heard from WCC Byways Officer but would still keep on trying. (2) Horse Warning Signs: The Chairman reported that she had attended the (CATG) Highways meeting to ask them for signs. An appointment had been made with Kate Davey, Highways Engineer, to visit the village before a decision could be made. (3) Restricted by ways: The Chairman reported that the Restricted Byway signs had been replaced on the Triangle and at the bottom of Imber Place. Thanks are minuted to County Cllr. Henry for organising this. (4) Flood Plan: The Chairman reported that Cllr. Adam Harris would attend the flood meeting on the 14th and would report back to the Parish Council. (5) Bus Shelters: It was decided that Cllr. Murray and Cllr. Moore would form a working party. (6) Cherry Tree by Village Hall: The Chairman reported that a report and estimate had been received from the tree surgeon Trevor Witt. After much discussion it was decided to have this as an Agenda item for the next meeting. Action: To be put on December Agenda. (6) Winnie the Pooh Plaque: It was agreed that this plaque could be put on the outside wall of the Village Hall. (7) Commemorative Bench by the Bus Shelter: This is now in position. The Parish Council wished to have their thanks minuted to Mr. Frank Druce and to the Chairman Adam Harris for installing it. They think it looks very good indeed. (8) Bench by the Village Hall on green: It was thought a good idea to replace the concrete one. Action: for further discussion. (9) Village Hall Porch: It was agreed that Mr. Derrick Potter had done a wonderful job on restoring the porch, and that it would now look good for years to come. Everybody wished, including the Clerk, to have minuted what a fantastic job that Derrick had done. However, it was reported that branches from trees from the neighbouring property were causing damage to the roof and should be cut back. Action: The Clerk was asked to email them requesting the branches to be cut back from the roof and from the path. (NB. This has been done). (10) Tidy Up Village: It was agreed that in the absence of the formal clear up that Cllr. Debby Potter and Mrs Anne White had done an excellent job on tidying up the village themselves. As a vote of thanks for their hard work the Parish Council would like to give them a meal at the pub. This was proposed by Cllr. Goldsmith and seconded by Cllr. Colin. By a show of hands all were in agreement. (1) Flood Embankment: County Cllr. Henry announced that this work had now been completed. The Parish Councillors said that they would like a tour of it. Action: County Cllr. Henry said that he would arrange for this. (12) Parish Steward: The Chairman informed the meeting that he had filled in the pot hole on the pavement at the bottom of Chapter Rise, and that the Water Board had repaired the lid of the man hole cover at the bottom of School Lane. The Chairman then signed the Minutes of the previous meeting with the full approval of those who had been present.
- Clerk & Correspondence:** Various magazines since the previous meeting were handed out. Cllr. Murray felt that the Clerk received far too many emails which she sieved through before passing to the Parish Council. The Clerk added that she received emails that in no way referred to Tilshead or to any

of their connections. Action: County Cllr. Henry said that he would look into the matter and report back.

3. **Planning Applications:** None received since the previous meeting.
4. **Military & Police Matters:** Military: No concerns. Police: Clerk received an email from the Police with no concerns for Tilshead.
5. **Finance:** Cllr. Leachman as Finance Officer presented five cheques for signature: (1) Derrick Potter for work on the Village Hall porch £4,920 (2) Firsthosts Domain renewal web site £15.59 (3) Royal British Legion for donation and wreath cost £150 (3) Communicorp sub to Clerks Direct £12 and (5) David Ogilvie Engineering Ltd for the World War I bench £960. Cllr. Leachman then gave a break down of funds received for the cost of the Village Hall porch.(1) Tilshead Community Association balance from their fund raising account £708.11 (2) Tilshead Newsletter donation £200. (3) Community infrastructure Levy Grant £2,143.72 (4) Village Hall re outside lighting £267 and the Parish Council £781.17. VAT was £820. Cllr. Leachman said that the Precept would be discussed at the next meeting. Action: Precept on December Agenda.
6. **Highways:** No concerns.
7. **Environment:** Flooding. See above Agenda (1)
8. **Village Hall & Hillier Playing Field:** Cllr. Leachman reported that the gate at the back of the Village Hall needs replacing. Thanks were given to Cllr. Potter, Cllr. Colin and Mrs Anne White for washing the Village Hall tables and chairs. Thanks and appreciation were also given to Mrs. Betty Druce, Mrs Anne White and Mrs Vicky Harris for making the cakes and biscuits for the coffee morning held after the Remembrance Day Service. Cllr. Colin had provided the coffee. Mrs Anne White had also decorated the village hall with bunting.
9. **URGENT MATTERS:** (1) Parachute Memorial Cairns: It was reported that Cllr. Potter and Cllr. Murray had cleaned and weeded the two Cairns. The Parish Council wished to have their thanks and appreciation minuted. (2) Bonfire & Fireworks Night: Cllr. Leachman reported that £340 had been raised for the firework fund. All agreed that it had been an excellent and most enjoyable evening. Thanks are minuted to Nicola Moore and her team who had worked very hard to make it the successful evening that it was. There was no litter and the clean-up had been brilliant. (3) Salisbury Plain Benefice Memorial Book: Cllr. Leachman reported that the book was now in the care of the village, and had taken five years to produce. (4) Red Van on corner of A360: This has been reported to Highways having received many complaints. (5) Boundary Review: County Cllr. Henry reported that to date this does not affect Tilshead. (6) A303 Tunnel: County Cllr. Henry reported that the meetings are still on going. (7) Memorial Trees & Hedges: The Chairman reported that the Defence Land Agent had given permission for the hedges to be planted along the allotment boundary. To date it is not known what type of tree is to be planted. Once planted a plaque will commemorate a soldier killed.
10. **Forecast of next Meeting:** Monday 17th December at 7 pm in the Village Hall. It was agreed that there will not be a meeting in January being the winter break. However, if a Planning Application is received or a need for a meeting, then a meeting will be called.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.40 pm.

Signed as approved:

Adam Harris (Chairman)

Dated:

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