

TILSHEAD PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Meeting of Tilshead Parish Council held at Tilshead Village Hall on Tuesday the 10th October 2023 at 7pm

Present: Councillors Deborah Potter, Pauline Colin-Peaty, Robert Leachman

In attendance: Rebecca Hathaway-White (Clerk) and two members of the public.

Public Participation 7pm

Resident asked if some of the money raised from Imber Day could be used to purchase a Christmas Tree for the village green, as well as some lights. The approximate cost would be £100. All Councillors thought this was a good idea and asked if it might be possible to purchase replacements for the broken lights on the village hall at the same time. They are also running the Trick or Treating evening again over Halloween and would although it is usually self-funding a small donation towards it would be appreciated.

The resident also mentioned that they are currently struggling with having enough volunteers to run the speed gun, if there are any parishioners who would be willing to give an hour of their time once or twice a month that would be appreciated.

Mr Evans reported to the meeting that having spoken to the Local Constabulary they have advised the Elan City machine over the others he has looked into. It costs £2747.99 so it is not the cheapest quote but comes highly recommended. All Councillors were happy with this recommendation and Cllr Potter will check with LHFIFG when we can expect the post to be installed, so we can decide on when to order the SID.

Meeting of the Council commenced at 7.23pm

23/119 Acceptance of apologies for absence. Resolved: Cllr G.C Gillian was absent. Cllr Hathaway-White sent his apologies. County Councillor Kevin Daley, absent.

23/120 Minutes. The minutes of the Council meeting held on the 12th of September 2023 were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

Proposed Cllr Colin-Peaty, Seconded Cllr Leachman, voting unanimous in favour.

23/121 Dispensations and Declarations of interest. Resolved: None

23/122 Chairman's Report. This is the Clerk's last meeting. Cllr Potter thanked the Clerk for all her hard work and presented her with a card from the Parish Council.

Cllr. Andy Burbidge had sent his resignation following the previous Parish Meeting.

23/123 Governance & Procedures. Cllrs are asked to note that there is 2 on-going Parish Councillor Vacancies.

23/124 Accounts for Payment: LGA 1972 s150 (5)

Payments Ratified

Clerks Salary	£221.52
Fast Hosts (Tilshead Domain)	£17.75

Resolved: Proposed Cllr Colin-Peaty, seconded Cllr Potter, voting unanimous in favour.

The clerk presented Cllr Leachman with her final salary and expenses to be paid.

23/125 Clerk Vacancy

The Parish Councils contact at WALC has been away on holiday and then off with Covid which has delayed the advert been placed on the WALC website. It has been sent to the village newsletter team, the clerk has requested it be added to the village website and village hall notice board. The clerk has put it on the village Facebook page.

23/126 Updates and items outstanding from previous meetings, to include: -

- a) Speed Indicator Device (SID)** - Updated by Mr Evans in the Public Session. Cllrs are all in agreement that they are happy to purchase the recommended SID at a cost of £2747.99. Proposed Cllr Colin-Peaty, Seconded Cllr Potter, voting unanimous in favour.
- b) Playground Zip Wire** – The £10,000 grant from the National Lottery has been received into the playing field account. Another grant has been applied for from the Area Board and their next meeting is in December.
- c) Account Signatories and Online Banking** – The clerk presented the paperwork to the signatories, for signatures to remove both herself and Mr Burbidge as signatories. It came to light that Cllr Leachman had not removed a previous Cllr. as a signatory, despite the Cllr. having left the Parish Council a few years previously. The clerk will remove the name before leaving. The Clerk tried to impress upon the Parish Council the importance of ensuring that the account is up to date and recommended adding another signatory to the account who is willing to do online banking so that when a new clerk is employed their tax can be paid to HMRC as this must not be done by the clerk personally, it also means that the account can be kept up to date.
- d) Emergency and Resilience Plan** – A draft plan has been completed by Cllr. Potter and circulated to Councillors for their comments.

23/127 Local Updates –

- a) Environment** – Cllr Potter has requested Rights of Way to look at resurfacing/levelling Berry Road as it is currently difficult to walk and ride a horse along. No response yet.
- b) Police** – The Clerk has forwarded emails with updates.
- c) Military** – Cllr G.C Gillian did not attend the meeting so there is no update.

23/128 Correspondence –

Resolved: Cllr Potter mentioned receiving an email from the owners of Glebe Farm in reference to the covenant on the pub. All Cllrs agreed that this is not a Parish Council matter. The clerk will reply advising the resident to get in touch with Wiltshire Council to seek their advice.

23/129 Partnership Meetings to consider attending: -

- i) LHFIF – 15th November 2023 – Cllr Potter will attend.
- ii) Stonehenge Area Board – 13th December 2023 – Cllr Leachman will try to attend.

23/130 Items for the Parish Newsletter/Village Notice Board/Social Media

Resolved: None

23/131 Date of next meeting

The next Meeting of The Council will be Tuesday 12th December 2023 at Tilshead Village Hall

Meeting closed at 20.03

The minutes of this meeting will be available to all members of the public from the village website www.tilsheadvillage.com, the Parish Notice board or by contacting the Parish Clerk.

Signed.....

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