

# **West Tytherley, Frenchmoor & Buckholt Parish Council**

## **Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting**

**held on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2022 at King Edward's Hall, West Tytherley**

Present: Councillor Fiona Collier – Chair (FC), Councillor Jennie Newell – Vice Chair (JN) and Councillors Deborah Hook (DH), Karen James (KJ) and Nigel MacPherson (NM). Also: Neil Carpenter (Clerk/RFO) – (NC) and ten members of the public.

The meeting opened at 7.05p.m.

### **157/22 Apologies for absence**

Apologies received from Nick Adams-King and from JC who was delayed.

### **158/22 Declarations of interest**

None.

### **159/22 Approval of Minutes**

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on **14<sup>th</sup> November 2022** as circulated to members were approved unanimously, and signed.

### **160/22 Public Forum**

A member of the public, Andy Page, introduced himself to inform the council that he would be attending Resilience Project committee meetings to represent the Village Hall Committee.

### **161/22 To receive a report from Councillor Ian Jeffrey (Test Valley Borough Council)**

[Councillor Jeffrey arrived after minute 176/22. His report is minuted here].

IJ reviewed Mid Test Matters with reference to

- TVBC Community grant
- TVBC Five year housing supply plan
- Carbon monoxide awareness
- Tree planting to commemorate the death of Queen Elizabeth II
- Proposed changes to parliamentary boundaries
- Scottish and Southern Electricity Network (SSEN) resilience fund, congratulating the West Tytherley Parish Councillors for their work in securing a grant from SSEN
- Securing another conviction for fly-tipping
- Tree planting by Andover schools
- Local Christmas markets, including in Romsey
- Housing insulation grant scheme
- TVBC Statement of Community Involvement in Planning (2022)
- The appointment of the new chief of Police Scott Chilton
- Nature reserve work

Following his report IJ left the meeting to attend another meeting.

**162/22 To receive a report from Cllr. Nick Adams-King (Hampshire County Council)**

Nick Adams-King was unable to attend and had sent his apology for absence.

**163/22 Public Correspondence**

West Tytherley village drainage – obstructed drain outflow in field opposite Church Farm : the landowner has been contacted but has refused to deal with the problem.

A member of the public suggested making an application under the Land Drainage Act (1991), however negotiation will be tried in the first instance and legal action may follow.

**164/22 NDP – return of underspent grant monies from financial year 2018-2019**

The agency overseeing the Neighbourhood Development Plan, Groundworks UK, have informed Alan Bannister of an underspend of grant monies which are due to be refunded since such monies may not be carried over to the following financial year. Consequently, after investigation by Alan Bannister, the sum of £279.79 must be repaid to Groundworks UK. The amount is to be shared with West Dean Parish Council and it was agreed unanimously for WTPC to repay £139.90 and WDPC to repay £139.89.

**165/22 Planning**

- Removal of the holly tree at The Black Horse P.H. West Tytherley: the unauthorised removal of this established tree was referred to Test Valley Planning who decided not to take any action. Councillors expressed their great disappointment at this lack of action.

- 22/02913/FULLS – 1 Rectory Hill, West Dean: Erection of a single-storey rear and side extension. Following a discussion a vote was taken with a unanimous decision to submit a “support” response as it was felt the proposal was in proportion using suitable materials.

- 22/03070/FULLS – Yewcroft, 51 Stony Batter Lane, Stony Batter: Erection of a detached oak-framed double garage with a study/gym at first-floor level. Following a discussion, within which concerns were raised that the scale and position of the garage in relation to the Grade 2 listed house contravened NDP policies EL1 and HD4, a vote was taken with a decision, by chairs’ casting vote, to submit an “object” response to the proposal.

- 22/03076/FULLS – Coles Pond Farm, Red Lane, West Tytherley: Two storey rear extension and alterations to windows. Following a discussion within which it was stated that despite this not being a large extension the proposal failed to meet NDP policies EL2 and HD4. A vote was taken with a decision, by chairs’ casting vote, to submit an “object” response to the proposal.

- 22/03077/FULLS - Coles Pond Farm, Red Lane, West Tytherley: Two storey rear extension, alterations to windows and internal room rearrangement. For the same reasons raised in proposal 22/03076 (above) a vote was taken with a decision, by chairs’ casting vote, to submit an “object” response to the proposal.

**166/22 Test Valley Borough Council Electoral reforms**

Commencing with elections to be held in May 2023 intending voters will be required to show a photo identity document at the polling station in order to cast their vote. The aim of the legislation is to reduce the possibility of electoral fraud. FC listed the documents that would be accepted but some voters may not be in possession of an accepted document, particularly the youngest and the very eldest voters, meaning they will be disenfranchised. FC urged parents to inform their children and elderly relatives of the requirements.

Further information may be found at:

<https://www.electoralcommission.org.uk/i-am-a/voter/voter-id>

**167/22 TVBC Statement of Community Involvement in Planning (SCI) 2022 – consultation**

FC gave a brief summary. Further information may be found at:

<https://www.testvalley.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planningpolicy/draft-statement-of-community-involvement-in-planning-sci-2022?displaypref=default>

[For parishioners without internet access please contact the clerk for a printed copy of the document].

**168/22 Infrastructure and Developer Contributions Supplementary Planning - consultation**

This consultation is primarily for businesses. Individual councillors to comment directly.

**169/22 Southern Water Resource Management Plan - consultation**

For information only, Southern Water has published their long term investment plan to secure future sustainable water supplies. Further information may be found at:

<https://www.southernwater.co.uk/our-story/water-resources-management-plan>

**170/22 Damaged fence between the recreation ground and Thorngate - update**

Councillor Tim Koetser has contacted Jamie Bowditch to seek a quotation for the repair.

**171/22 Dangerous trees on the recreation ground requiring felling – update**

Mr. Blackmore has felled the trees. Payment of £50 is outstanding. Fallen foliage to be removed.

**172/22 Fee for use of recreation ground (West Tytherley Pigeons and Broughton U-13) - update**

To be discussed with Jamie Bowditch.

**173/22 Temporary closure of Footpath FP3 by Hampshire County Council**

It was reported that the footpath is impassable if with a dog since it is necessary to lift the dog over a stile. The work will take some time due to nature conservation measures.

#### **174/22 Finance**

Invoice 274516/18 to Business Stream of £16.10 for water to the pavilion was approved.

The SSEN resilience grant has been paid into the Treasurer's account.

Having carried out an inspection of the defibrillator at Pragnells Cottages FC found the paediatric pads were time-expired. Councillors voted unanimously to purchase a set of new paediatric pads at a cost in the region of £80.

#### **175/22 Parish Council budget and precept for 2023-24**

It was agreed to call an EGM in the first week of January to go through the budget and precept for 2023/2024 in detail.

#### **176/22 Village Hall LPG generator and emergency plan project**

JC reported the first meeting of the steering group had been held with another scheduled. JC will check on conditions attached to the grant and confirm with the grant fund manager of any variations to the original application. The generator will be diesel powered (not LPG). A member of the Village Hall committee (Andy Page) will be invited to attend meetings to disseminate information to the Village Hall committee. Ongoing costs will be considered upfront. The project would be similar to that at West Dean. Henceforth the project will be known as the Resilience Project.

#### **177/22 Councillors' reports**

JN reported attending the prizegiving evening at Test Valley School which was appreciated by the school and students alike.

JN will be liaising with Lucia Homer re taking on the Council's Highways responsibilities.

NM reported the lengthsman had been unwell so has been unable to work.

FC asked that villagers consider visiting the vulnerable just to ensure they are well, and to contact FC or Julie Neilson if they are in need of any help.

#### **178/22 Any other business**

None.

#### **179/22 Date and time of next meeting**

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2023 commencing 7.00pm at King Edward's Hall, West Tytherley.

Being no further business FC closed the meeting at 8.30pm.

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