

TADMARTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 22nd JULY 2024 AT 7PM IN TADMARTON VILLAGE HALL

Councillors Present

Tim Turner (Chairman), Paul Doust, Jane Fitzpatrick and Paul Higley

Christine Coles (Parish Clerk)

24/36. Apologies

There were no apologies.

24/37. To receive Declarations of Interest under the Council's Code of Conduct relating to business on the agenda

No interests were declared.

24/38. Public participation session

Nothing was raised.

24/39. To approve the minutes of the last meetings held on 22ND May 2024

The minutes were approved and signed as a true record of the meetings.

24/40. Matters Arising

Damaged village gate at Lower Tadmarton end – This has been replaced now.

24/41. Highway Matters

i. *To discuss the consultation for double yellow lines on the Main Road and agree an outcome* - The Parish Council paid for a consultation for double yellow lines on the Main Road which was carried out. This has ended now. Previously there were a few accidents from parking on the Main Road near the brow of the hill. Road safety was discussed at length as concern by some residents was raised and Councillors felt that double yellow lines could prevent dangerous parking. They are aware that if people did park it could not be policed and long term it does not remove the issue. Parking does still occur here but infrequently. There may be a better solution but Councillors agreed to wait for the outcome of the consultation.

ii. *To receive an update from the meeting with the Highways Engagement Team* - A positive meeting was held with a Highways representative. Concerns raised included the slow signs at the junction between Highlands and Tadmarton Road which are barely visible. The junction between Tadmarton Road and B4035 is poorly signed and the painted lines are either missing or barely visible. The junctions between Shutford Road/B4035 and junction of Tadmarton Heath Road were discussed. It's a dangerous area due to the speed and visibility. Going east towards Banbury the side and central hazard lines are barely visible. Going east/west on the B4035 the SLOW signs need renewing and the dragons teeth as you enter the 30mph zone. The lines on Hollow Road do not exist and both SLOW signs going north to Shutford are very worn. The lines at the bottom of Tadmarton Heath Road are not fit for purpose as are the SLOW sign ½ mile and 1 mile going south being the same.

iii. *To discuss the costs of hedgehog signs and installation* - Hedgehogs are in decline. Sites have been picked for new signage. The cost of the signs is £201.60 & VAT. It was agreed to accept the cost.

Action: The Parish Clerk to order.

iv. *To discuss the future upkeep of paths* - The path behind Old Glebe was cut but requires cutting again. The work to the path by the church will be done in September.

Other areas require cutting.

Action: Cllr Doust to draw up a plan of the areas to be cut and a timeframe so a quote can be considered.

24/42. Village Matters

- i. *To discuss the process for nominating an Asset of Community Value.* Cllr Fitzpatrick has circulated information relating to nominating Assets of Community Value.
- ii. *To discuss the two untended allotment plots and agree a plan to tidy them up.* There are two plots currently untended and the state of them is affecting surrounding plots. There are two potential people wanting to take them on. The cost to clear both plots is £350.00. It was agreed to accept this cost and get the plots cleared.
- iii. *To note the checking of the three village defibrillators.* All defibrillators have been checked.
- iv. *To receive an update on Bridleway 12.* There is no further update.

24/43. To receive an update following the BT webinar on switching the UK to digital home phones

BT have taken notice of what people are saying . They are rolling out the system for disabled and elderly people. The rollout may happen sooner rather than later. People can ring BT to register and join a list. If there is a power cut there will be a loss of mobile phone signal.

24/44. Finance Report

The following payments were approved under statutory powers:

- £18.00 to Parish Clerk (SLCC membership)
- £286.80 to Nigel Prickett (grass cutting)
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- £950.00 to Trinity Oak (work in conservation area)
- £450.00 to Trinity Oak (clearing of footpath)
- £466.36 to M Yeomans (email addresses)

24/45. To receive an update on planning

New

- *24/01675/TPO, T1- Ash tree - is part of a group TPO, it is showing signs of ADB - Our client would like to remove it as they are worried about falling deadwood in a public space - Subject to TPO 10/1990. Various Trees at Highlands.* It was agreed to support.

Determined

- *24/00601/F, Two storey side extension above existing kitchen extending to the rear, loft conversion with dormer on rear side roof area at 1 Swalcliffe Road.* Refused by CDC.
- *22/01752/LB, RETROSPECTIVE - The Proposal is to address the poor state of the building fabric - Roof - address the South West elevation as the roof is in a bad state of repair and has previously been foamed; soffits - repair any rotten timber soffits and address areas where this has led to damage to the roof; windows - re-decorate all windows and address any damage at Tadmarton Grange, Main Street.* Refused by CDC.

There is no news on the livery application.

24/46. To receive the following correspondence

- CDC, Cherwell Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) – Draft CIL Charging Schedule Consultation. The details to be kept on file.

24/47. To receive Councillors Reports

There is a water leak near Shutford Road.

24/48. To note next meeting date and time

Monday 9th September 2024 at 7pm

Meeting closed at 8.30pm.

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